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BY HOBSON D. PRENTICE. Come in beautiful dreams, love, Oh! come to me oft.

When the white wings of sleep On my bosom lie soft, Oh! come when the sea.

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The first sale of petroleum, for export, was made in May, 1861, a little over ten years ago, and consisted of 100,000 gallons, the whole product for the year being 1,500,000 gallons.

A GOOD QUESTION.—In sentencing a wretch who had been proven guilty of a criminal outrage upon a child Judge Bedford incidentally stated yesterday that he would use all his influence at the next session of Legislature to have this offence made a capital crime and punishable with the death penalty.

MAKE A BEGINNING.—How many a poor, idle, hesitating, erring outcast is now creeping, crawling his way through the world, who might have held up his head and prospered if, instead of putting off his resolutions of amendment and industry he had made a beginning.

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The Advance to Despotism.

Our special of the 6th from Washington says that the question of the President's power under the Ku-Klux bill had, at a Cabinet meeting, been referred to the Attorney General for his opinion.

The act of Congress is too plain to need any opinion on its various features. It confers on the President imperial power. He is by it empowered to declare martial law in any part of the State, in a whole State, and in all the States at the same time. He is empowered to suspend the writ of habeas corpus anywhere and everywhere.

The question then submitted to the Attorney General for his opinion must relate to the constitutionality of the Ku-Klux act. If that is the state of the case, it indicates a returning sense of regard for the Constitution, which has been the subject of Radical contempt for some years past.

Question.—"Then it comes to this that Congress may call a convention in any State to review and amend its Constitution?"

It will be seen that, in the opinion of the present Attorney General of the United States, Congress possesses, under the Fourteenth Amendment, complete supervisory power over the States, that it can remodel State Governments, that it can call State Conventions to remodel and amend State Constitutions.

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Radical Cuck

We accord with the New Hampshire Patriot on its article concerning Radical taxation. The virtuous indignation of the Radical press and leaders over the alleged "frauds in New York," is the most remarkable exhibition of "check" ever perpetrated.

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Young Widows

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A Negro on Carpet-Baggers

BLACK STATE SENATOR MATT GAINES OF TEXAS MAKES ANOTHER SPEECH ON THE "THIEVING CARPET-BAGGERS."

In the Age printed at Houston Texas, we find a speech of Senator Matt Gaines, a cotton field negro of Washington county, which we are informed represents very fairly the thoughts and feelings of the sixty thousand negro voters of that State. The Senator was addressing his constituents in Brenham and giving them a general account of his stewardship as their representative in the State Legislature.

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Long John Wentworth Opposed to the Election of Horace Greeley.

[Chicago Republican Interview.] "What do you think of Mr. Greeley's chance for the Presidency?"

Mr. Wentworth burst into a torrent of profanity of such violence that in three minutes the room was flooded and the bell-boys and reporter had to climb up on chairs and window seats to avoid being swept away.

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Government Demoralization.

[N. Y. World Correspondence.] WASHINGTON, September 20.—"Commit the party everywhere for Grant, and have the delegations fixed early for the nominating convention!"

This is what the United States Government is now being used for—army, navy and civil service. This dictum goes forth on every possible occasion, and is virtually a part of the instructions of every Federal officer throughout the country.

THE CABINET OFFICERS are, most of them, all the time away, from their proper posts, making stump speeches, attending conventions, laying wires, log-rolling, and resorting to all sorts of low tricks and artifices, to secure the renomination of their master, and, as they suppose, a duplication of their own terms of office.

IT IS SAFE TO SAY that not one-half the work is now performed in the public offices here that was during the same period of Johnson's administration. The reason is that Johnson and his Cabinet did not neglect the public business in looking after a renomination. It is pitiable to see the private inconveniences and hardships that daily occur here on account of that state of affairs.

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A prudent woman is likened to a pin. Her head prevents her going too far.

Many adorn the tombs of those whom living, they persecuted with envy.