

# Senator Brownlow on Civil Rights.

A reporter of the New York World has interviewed Senator Brownlow at Knoxville, Tennessee, on the Civil Rights Bill, and here is what the Parson said:

Correspondent—To what, Senator, do you ascribe the frequent recurrences of collisions between whites and blacks?

Senator—Plainly enough the number of these despicable incidents have been multiplied of late, and they have their origin in the Civil Rights Bill. Negro speakers and newspapers and dishonest, unscrupulous adventurers in politics have fastened on the negro mind the conviction that the Civil Rights Bill will make black white and destroy the last barrier between the races, not only investing the negro with every social privilege he would enjoy, but to obliterate every distinction made by the God of nature and by negro instincts and habits of life, shaped and crystallized through countless centuries.

Correspondent—In view of the fact that hostility to the Civil Rights Bill is universal among whites of the South what will probably be the conduct of the North?

Senator—There is but one of two courses to be pursued. Either the North must recognize the palpable fact that the social relations of the races must be left to regulate themselves, without the intervention of the law-making power, or the Civil Rights Bill, becoming the law, must be enforced at the point of the bayonet. In other words the enactment of the bill is the instant transformation of our republican system of government, and that of the South must be a military despotism. How soon the North would lose its liberties after those of the Southern State were annihilated would be a question for one man—a President in name, a dictator in fact—to determine. While President Grant is incapable, in my opinion, of such conduct, yet a President wielding the army and having it distributed over the South to preserve the peace, would have absolute control over elections in fifteen States. The white people would not vote and elections would be farcical. Not only are the fortunes of the South, but quite as deeply are those of the North, involved in the defeat of the Civil Rights Bill.

## Fresh Lips for Lovers' Kisses.

But the kiss of all kisses is the climatic one—the lover's one—the first touch of lips together that are lea forward to be all in all to each other. And for this kiss who would not ask for fresh lips? Who cares for lips that have been common to lovers before? I always meant to be the first-come in a woman's heart. Fresh lips or none for me. 'Tis a sigh from a man's heart, more pitiful in that he is strong and not young. In his pure heart and life, one day, a pair of wistful blue eyes, two rosy lips and a girlish voice crept in, but only crept in to make for themselves a grave in the before unbroken ground, where nestling down in its depths, they were left undisturbed. It is the old story: Other lips pressed hers after, as they had before, his turn, and still another had the better right to weep over her coffin—but she, in that hour past, had crept in and buried herself in one man's heart forever. How many lives we know not of are hovering over an open grave, into which has nestled something we loved the best!

Common sense dictates that we must not expect too much of mortal man or woman. We are all tainted with the original sin, and total depravity has been a catching disease or some time. I doubt not that, though the number may be small, there are more fresh girls lips to be kissed to-day than fresh manly lips to kiss them. What man has a right to demand more than he can give? Alas! but the girls do not echo the cry! They know there is little use to expect fresh lips, and, wise in their generation, cease to ask for them. They take the good the gods offer them and ask not who has had them before. Thank God there are men who can ask for fresh lips. May blessings rest on the pure, rosy ones that shall be lifted up to meet theirs in the old-fashioned betrothal kiss.—*Jean Gold.*

## Predictions of Henry Clay.

In view of the scenes now transpiring in the South it may be well to reproduce the prophecy of Henry Clay in 1843, in which he said: "The agitation of the question of Slavery in the Free States will: First—Destroy all harmony. Second—Lead to division. Third—To poverty. Fourth—To war. Fifth—To the extermination of the black race. Sixth—To ultimate military despotism."

# WOMAN'S POWER OVER MAN.

In preaching at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, on the temptation and fall of Solomon, the subject of one of the lessons for the day, Canon Liddon spoke strongly of woman's power over man, and reminded his hearers that, although the King had seven hundred wives and three hundred concubines, what happened to him might just as easily happen to a man with one wife. That a subtle and powerful influence may be exerted over a man in this way is an unquestionable fact, and in the majority of cases it is exercised with good effect, for woman, as a rule, has higher aims, truer instincts and loftier views of life than man. Hence the proverbial saying, that a bad woman is worse than a bad man, owes much of its force to the fact that when woman falls, her fall is all the deeper because she falls from a higher level than man. And it is because her influence is often exerted without its being suspected by its subject that it is more disastrous when it tends to evil. Solomon's wives did that which no man in his empire could have done—they perverted the wisest of men. Toward the close of his sermon the preacher referred to some of the influences which might have been expected to hinder Solomon's fall, and first to his age. Many men in middle life, said Dr. Liddon, think that, as they grow older they grow better, or, at any rate, do not grow worse; that they are kept by routine and fixed habits from any great fall; but Solomon's history and our own experience proves the contrary, for the course of the soul as years go by is not upward and onward, but too often downward and backward. After instantiating the cases of Judas and Demas as of men who fell in old age, and pointing out that the assertion that "a hoary head is a crown of glory" hangs on the appended condition "when it is found in the way of righteousness." Dr. Liddon said that as age does not insure man against moral ruin, so it makes ruin more dreadful when it has taken place. Neither, added the preacher, did Solomon's knowledge prevent his fall. Although he was a master of natural science, of constructive skill, of the rules of administration and government, and of all the rules of human life then known, as also of all spiritual knowledge, still he fell. The old Greek thought that knowledge and virtue were at the bottom the same thing, and some modern speakers and writers on education also take this view, and seem to think that if only knowledge, human and religious, is supplied, the kingdom of heaven will at once begin on earth. Solomon's history proves the contrary, for his knowledge only made his fall all the deeper.

## Tell Your Mother.

I wonder how many girls tell their mother anything. Not those "young ladies" who, going to and from school, smile, bow and exchange notes and pictures with the young men who make fun of them and their pictures, speaking in a way that would make their cheeks burn with shame if they heard it. All this, most credulous and romantic young ladies, they will do, although they will gaze at your fresh young face admiringly, or send or give you charming verses or bouquets. No matter what "other girls do," don't you do it. School-girl flirtations may end disastrously, as many a foolish, wretched young girl could tell you. Your yearning for some one to love is a great need of every woman's heart. But there is a time for everything. Don't let the bloom and freshness of your heart be brushed off in silly flirtations. Render yourselves truly intelligent, and, above all, tell your mother everything. Never be ashamed to tell her, who should be your best friend and confidant, all you think and feel. It is strange that many young girls will tell every person before "mother" that which is most important that she should know. It is sad that in different persons should know more about the fair young daughter than she does herself.

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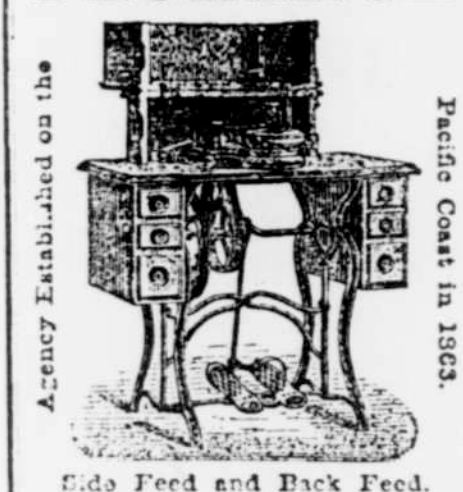
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