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Blaine and his Crowd.

The Cincinnati Commercial thinks that Blaine's extreme tenderness for republicans in the south and fierce indignation toward the rebels, were developed too late to do any good. Grant allowed the republican south to slip away. While he was helping his old cronies and the Dents & Co., the republican states of the south were captured one by one. Blaine did not exhibit any intensity of emotion. Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas and Mississippi passed away into the solid south, but Blaine was calm. Did he assail the wonderful Grant for his wicked negligence? Not at all. Did he stir up discussions in republican state conventions on account of Grant's misdeeds, that he might play peacemaker? Not once. Blaine was the great anecdoter of the house, while Grant was permitting the solid south to be built up. Blaine, Chandler & Co. were in Washington advising Grant. Why didn't they do something? When Hayes became president the republican state governments in the south were played out. There is not a man with common sense in America who does not know that the withdrawal of the state house garrisons was a political, military and legal necessity, and the logical result of Grantism. The whole clamor about it is hypocritical and perverse, and those engaged in it will soon be, if they are not already, small potatoes. From the present outlook Hayes is pretty sure to have the backing of the people. A few of the machine politicians, like old Ben Wade and Simon Cameron, will keep up a show of hostility. But the republican leaders who have a future, like Conkling and others, will be found at no distant day giving their hearty support to Hayes.

When the president has gone through the northern states, or as many of them as he can find time to visit, it would be a happy conception to visit the southern states, not so much for the sake of increasing his popularity, as to learn by actual observation more about the needs of that section of the country. Just now there are few or no accounts of turbulence in that section. The bloody shirt is not made very conspicuous. In short, if we may rely upon the accounts found in southern newspapers, there is a good degree of prosperity. Laborers are wanted; the crops are good—and good cotton and sugar crops bring a great deal of wealth. It is quite in the power of President Hayes to know as much about all sections of the country and even more, than the average member of congress. It has not been thought unworthy of the dignity of Kings to know something about the people. Recently the emperor of Brazil has been making visits to all the most important civilized countries on the globe. This he has done not for the purpose of gaining an ephemeral popularity, but to become one of the wisest rulers of modern times. It is not unjust to say that Grant knew very little about the wants of the country. He depended upon his advisors, and was not always well informed even with such counsel. Hayes will have need enough of good counsel. But having the good will of the people and a large personal knowledge of the wants of the country, he can afford to see here and there a local thunder-cloud without being in the least disturbed. Indeed, it cannot have escaped notice that thus far the opposition of machine republicans to the president has made no perceptible impression adverse to his administration. He has been rather helped than hindered by this show of hostility. Has gained friends in the north, and is now specially invited by southern democrats to pay them a visit.

The Color Line.

There is an old statute in Texas forbidding a "white person to marry one descended from negro ancestry." But one Lou Brown of that state did marry a man who had negro blood in his veins, at least that was the charge on which she was arrested and held in custody. Judge Duval of the United States District-court, sitting at Austin recently declared the law of Texas prohibiting miscegenation, unconstitutional. The Judge held that the law under which the woman was held was passed in the interest of slavery, before that institution was abolished, and when the negro was not a citizen of the United States. Its prohibition was based solely on color, and fixed a penalty on the white race alone.

To say that this statute is now in force would be, as it seems to me, to disregard the effect of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments of the constitution of the United States, and the first section of the civil rights bill. I think it infringes upon both. It is unfair and unequal in its operation because it would visit a heavy penalty upon a white citizen, and none whatever upon a colored citizen for doing a certain act. Marriage between the two races is wholly abhorrent to my sense of fitness and propriety, and I presume it would be no violation of the Constitution and laws of the United States—inasmuch as marriage is but a civil contract, to be regulated by the laws of the several States—were the State of Texas now to pass a law forbidding such marriages, under penalties extending to both races alike. But until this is done I think the matter must be considered as one of taste merely, and left for its control to the potent influence of public opinion. It is ordered that the Clerk of this court do forthwith direct the sheriff of McLennan county to discharge said Lou Brown from further custody, as being deprived of her liberty under the aforesaid act of the legislature, contrary to the Constitution and laws of the United States.

The color line is evidently fading out. How can it be justly said that there is any prejudice against color when so large a proportion of persons of African descent in this country have white blood in their veins? It is not long since on the trial of a question in the Probate-court of San Francisco, touching the qualification of a colored woman to administer on the estate of her deceased husband, who was a white man, it was shown that the daughter of a former Chief Justice of Georgia.

It might be well if colored people had so much repugnance to white as a color (which is said to be no color in art) that they would refuse all domestic alliance with whites, whether legitimate or illegitimate. It was long ago declared by a celebrated traveler that the natives in the interior of Africa look with pity on a man who has the misfortune to be white.

If Africans in this country are to be a power in the land, it will be by preserving their race color. The more it fades out, the less influence they will have. White is an exceptional color—that is, the large majority of the human race are not white. Of the nearly five million blacks within the limits of the United States probably not more than a million are of pure blood. The other four-fifths shade off from black to a color which can hardly be distinguished from white. A race of stalwart blacks, intelligent, and having faith both in their color and race for what it has been and may possibly become, is something which we may yet see in this country. It may be best that the color line should not fade out; and while the prejudice against color, formerly charged to whites, is disappearing, it is still a question if blacks should not themselves so far respect their color as to refuse to intermarry with whites.

Gov. Stone, of Mississippi, says nobody there justifies the murder of Judge Chisolm and his son and daughter, but also expresses the opinion that a jury could not be found in Kemper county that would render a verdict of guilty against the murderers. These two positions are hard to reconcile. If nobody justifies the bloody deed, it ought to be an easy matter to find a jury that would convict; and if no such jury can be obtained, it would look as if the people approved of the butchery.

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