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No. 17.

ST. MICHAEL THE WEIGHER.

BY JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

Stood the tall Archangel weighing
All man's dreaming, doing, saying,
All the failure and the pain,
All the triumph and the gain,
In the unimagined years,
Full of hopes, more full of tears,
Since old Adam's conscious eyes
Backward searched for Paradise,
And, instead, the flame-blade saw
Of inexorable Law.

In a dream I marked him there,
With his fire-gold, flickering hair,
In his blinding armor stand,
And the scales were in his hand:
Mighty were they and full well
They could poise both heaven and hell.
"Angel," asked I humbly then,
"Weighest thou the souls of men?"
That thine office is I know."
"Nay," he answered me, "not so:
But I weigh the hope of man
Since the power of choice began
In the world of good or ill."
Then I waited and was still.

In one scale I saw him place
All the glories of our race,
Cups that lit Belshazzar's feast,
Gems, the wonder of the East,
Kublai's sceptre, Caesar's sword,
Many a poet's golden word,
Many a skill of science, vain
To make men as gods again.

In the other scale he threw
Things regardless, outcast, few,
Martyr-ash, arena sand,
Of St. Francis' cord a strand,
Beechen cups of men whose need
Fastid that the poor might feed,
Disillusions and despairs
Of young saints with grief-grayed hairs,
Broken hearts that brake for man.

Marvel through my pulses ran,
Seeing then the beam divine
Swiftly on this hand decline,
While Earth's splendor and renown
Mounted light as thistle-down.

—American.

A POLITICAL EVENT.

This is not a political paper, and in the present article we wish simply to satisfy a natural desire on the part of those interested in the State, and thinking of coming here, as to impor-

tant conditions under which they must live here. The conditions affecting the government of the State necessarily have a direct and constant influence upon the peace and prosperity of every one in it, and therefore it becomes a matter of the greatest concern to all that our government should be good and efficient, and should have the cheerful acquiescence and support of the citizens of all classes, which is necessary to the efficiency of any form of popular government. The event to which we call attention is the State Convention of the republicans of Florida, held at Palatka last Tuesday. Such conflicting accounts of it have been published in various papers that the impressions of an eye-witness may not be without interest to those who are not content with the ordinary newspaper reports, colored more or less deeply by a desire to satisfy the political prejudices of their readers.

First of all we notice a flagrant abuse of the public confidence in newspapers, as faithful reporters of the events of the day, on the part of the *Times-Union*, of Jacksonville, which in many respects justly claims to be the leading paper of the State. Whatever opinions or comments a paper may see fit to publish editorially, the public has a right to expect that its news columns will present the simple facts concerning important events as a basis for individual judgment, a test from which no honest editor shrinks in expressing his views. The above paper, however, presented its readers with an account of the convention, which no spectator, whatever his political views, would hesitate to pronounce knowingly and maliciously false. The reports of other papers, so far as we have seen them, were as correct as reports of such gatherings usually are, and therefore need no comment here.

The impression first produced upon one familiar with the scenes attending the collection of a large gathering of men in a town, for any purpose, would naturally have been, that something of real interest and weight engrossed

the attention of the crowds upon the streets, as well as those about the hotels and places of meeting. So far as we heard or saw, the police had no occasion to take any part in the events of the day, except to occasionally remind a crowd to keep a passage open on the sidewalk, and this was quickly yielded. The brass band and drunkenness described by the *Times-Union* must have grown out of vapors confusing the brain of the writer, for certainly they had no foundation in fact. The crowd waited for the doors to open and entered the hall with more patience and good order than usually attends the opening of a first-class theater, and the proceedings were remarkably free from disorder or acrimony, such as too often mars such assemblies. The actual working time of the State and District conventions together, excluding recesses for meals and interval between the two conventions, was a little over seven hours, and in that time temporary and permanent organizations for both were effected, credentials passed upon, a new State Committee appointed, resolutions introduced and discussed, a large number of candidates nominated and eulogized by their friends, and from them eight delegates and eight alternates, and four presidential electors, chosen by the conventions. It will certainly be apparent that little time was wasted, especially when it is known that no slate had been prepared by anybody, and nothing done in advance, except for the friends of each candidate to canvass in his interest.

The significance of all this to the public in general, aside from any question of political preference for one party or the other, is that the republican party, and especially the colored element, which was largely represented in the convention and took an active part there, is not an element of disorder and misrule or insubordination, as is often charged and too easily believed by uninformed people. Any one

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Cost of Making Wood Ashes.

Concerning wood ashes my experience is as follows, says a correspondent of the *Florida Dispatch*: "I hired three good negro men at \$1 per day each, and giving them sharp axes, went into the woods. I cut and burned hickory in a low hammock near home, and at a total expense of \$15 got 1400 pounds of clean white ashes. I found it necessary to cut the logs not more than ten feet long, piling the tops on them as they burned, and getting as many trees as possible on each heap, thus avoiding spreading the ashes too much. I then cut some oak, mostly black-jack, and I believe it makes more ashes to the amount of wood than the hickory; but as I was clearing land, taking up stumps, etc., could not estimate the cost. Am sure, however, that I can make black-jack ashes, pure, at less than \$27.50 per ton."

Going into the Wilds.

The friends and admirers of Augustin Daly have been rather amused to see the wagon loads of scenery and "properties" which are constantly leaving his theater for shipment to England. If Mr. Daly were going to open in the wilds of Africa he could not have indulged in more preparative detail. In this connection a good story is going the rounds, that when Wilson Barrett came to this country he brought every little stage effect with him. He did not forget to include a hammer and a packet of nails. "Good gracious, Mr. Barrett," said one of the employees of the Star Theatre, who noticed all this, "Did you think you could not get a hammer and nails in America?" The great Wilson looked rather confused. "I-I didn't know," he stammered. "I-I had heard such queer reports."—*America*.

Mr. "Larry" Jerome of New York, in an interview with a *New York World* reporter, gives his general impressions of his visit to Florida, as follows: "Oranges and a heavenly climate. An orange grove of two hundred trees pays better than the best farm in western New York. The climate has been finely advertised this year by your blizzard, and the beauty of it is

that it stands the strongest puffery. It is not surprising, now that people really know about it, that winter travel to Florida is constantly growing, and that immigration from colder sections is growing in importance all the time. The railroads and hotels will be taxed to their full capacity another year."

If it be true as reported that alligators are likely to become extinct before many years, because they are harried by hunters so relentlessly, only a small portion of the blame can be laid at the doors of those Northern millionaires who have lately pursued the big saurians on Florida rivers with \$50,000 yachts and \$1,000 dogs. Costly pets of rich men's kennels do not prove very terrible to healthy alligators unless used as bait, and luxurious yachtsmen are reasonably sure to allow the discomfort of hunted creatures to end soon after their own discomfort begins.—*America*.

Mr. J. L. Wallis, of Orlando, shipped recently 23,000 orange trees to Southern California and contemplates supplying that State with many more.—*Reporter*.

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Persimmons in Market.

Persimmons are selling in St. Louis market at \$1.50 to \$2.00 per bushel, wholesale, and there are lots of them brought to market every fall; but I never heard of anybody planting young trees. The people just let the persimmon trees stand when they are clearing land. I think the time is not far distant when they will plant orchards of them, because there is money in them, especially if people get once acquainted with the improved kinds. Persimmons bear full crops every year. They blossom about the middle of June. The twigs, on which the fruit is borne, grow first; the little persimmons come out next, and the bloom afterwards. The male trees have only blossoms. Trees that grow from suckers are all males; but they will bear when grafted with wood from bearing trees. *Orchard and Garden.*

They are utilizing the leaves of the palm and palmetto trees that grow in the garden of "Hedgeside" farm, by splitting them into strings and using the same in place of hemp in tying the vines trained to stakes after pruning. The fiber of these leaves is very tough, and is pliable and strong as bale rope. A half dozen trees will supply enough of this material for a good sized vineyard. It will thus be seen that the palmetto and palm trees are useful as well as ornamental. — *Napa (Cal.) Reporter.*

Bear grass makes one of the best ties, and there is an abundance of it to be had in this State. — *Florida Dispatch.*

A bill for the protection of alligators was laughed out of the Legislature at its last session as a good joke, and the wholesale and indiscriminate slaughter of these saurians continues. They are not only one of the objects of greatest interest to visitors in this semi-tropical clime, but their skins are an important article of commerce, for which there is an increasing demand at high prices. This trade might become a permanent source of revenue to the State if a proper law was enacted for the protection of alligators.

Bradford county strawberry shippers report fair prices and good yields, notwithstanding the drouth. Next year the acreage is to be greatly extended. The refrigerators now stand here all day and berries may be placed on the ice as soon as picked. New markets are constantly being opened and strawberry growing promises to be one of our largest and most profitable industries.

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OUTING for May is a handsomely illustrated and carefully edited number of that popular magazine of recreation, travel, adventure, and of gentlemanly sport. The new management of *Outing* is evidently determined to give its patrons a magazine such as no lover of outdoor life can afford to be without. Fishing, ball playing, hunting, driving, tramping, bicycling, yachting, camping, canoeing, and kindred sports, are the subjects of special articles; and yet the magazine possesses the literary character of the *Century* and *Harper's* and for the parlor table and the family circle is as indispensable as its admirably conducted contemporaries. De Meza, Remington, Beard, Moessner and Knickerbocker are the contributing artists, and their names suffice to show that excellence in illustration is one of the features of the number. The poetical selections and literary sketches are by the best writers of the day.

MR. GEORGE KENNAN will tell in the May *Century* how he came to go to Siberia on the *Century* expedition. Mr. Kennan had spent some time in Siberia already in connection with the overland telegraph scheme, and in the summer of 1884 he made a preliminary excursion to St. Petersburg and Moscow for the purpose of collecting material, and ascertaining whether or not obstacles were likely to be thrown in his way by the Russian Government.

He returned in October, fully satisfied that his scheme was a practical one. He therefore sailed from New York for Liverpool in May, 1885. He says: "All my prepossessions were favorable to the Russian Government and unfavorable to the Russian Revolutionists." He adds that this "partly explains the friendly attitude toward me which was taken by the Russian Government, the permission which was given me to inspect prisons and mines, and the comparative immunity from arrest, detention, and imprisonment which I enjoyed, even when my movements and associations were such as justly to render me an object of suspicion to the local Siberian authorities."

IMMIGRATION.

The Florida Immigration Association is determined to push its work by every means possible, and all should do what they can to make it a success. A convention is called to meet at the Opera house in Jacksonville, on Wednesday, May 15th, at 12 o'clock. We quote the following from the official call:

In addition to the members of the former convention, the County Commissioners of the several counties are authorized and requested to appoint three additional delegates. Branch associations will be entitled to representation. All associations organized to promote immigration to Florida, municipal bodies, boards of trade, and land companies, in the State of Florida are invited to send delegates.

Transportation companies in and out of the State interested in the objects of the convention are specially requested to appoint delegates to represent them in the convention.

The executive officers of the State Government and members of the press are invited to participate. It is hoped that land owners and citizens of the State generally will by their presence give to the movement their encouragement and support.

(Signed) R. W. DAVIS,
Pres. Fla. Immigration Convention.

A POLITICAL EVENT.

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who saw that body of men, so largely composed of young negroes, and reflected upon the slight advantages open to them for improvement, and how short a time had elapsed since they had even the chances they now enjoy, must have been astonished at their general correctness and dignity in taking part in the work of the convention, and must have gone home feeling that those men were certainly not a source of great political danger to the community at large. It must have struck him too, that in advocating any man or measure in the convention, no low motives were invoked or evidenced, but on the contrary, right motives were met with appreciation and encouragement, and the whole proceedings were marked by evident good feeling and fair play. All this goes to show that our colored people, about whom doubts are sometimes entertained by people at a distance, are rapidly learning to take their place as good citizens, and are quite capable of acting in conjunction with their white neighbors in political affairs with mutual respect and good feeling. It also shows that the republican party of the State is so managed that no such catastrophe as is sometimes predicted would be likely to attend its coming into power. We are therefore able to assure our friends who wish to place themselves under the protection of our laws that they need have no fears for the safety of any of our institutions (except ballot-box stuffing, which we can well spare) should a change of parties occur. Whichever party you sympathize with, come and welcome, and don't let anybody frighten you with bugbears or the expected progeny of mares' nests.

JOTTINGS.

The tax assessor was here on the 26th.

Charles J. Ladd is having a tin roof put on his store building.

S. S. Capen took in Lake Apopka with Dana Howard on the 26th.

Robert White smiles; baby, girl, fine one, parents' joy, congratulations.

Mrs. Emma Doddridge and baby left on the 26th for their home in New York city.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Dr. Henkel has been quite sick for several days.

Rev. Missildine and family are occupying Judge Welborne's house for the summer.

Judge Mizell and Mr. H. S. Chubb have been to the Republican State convention this week.

Dr. E. P. Hooker has purchased a lot on Interlachen Avenue and will proceed to improve it at once.

Carpenters are having all they can do at present here and the outlook for them for the summer is very encouraging.

The Masonic parade comes off too late for this issue. We are told it is to be the finest parade ever seen in Winter Park.

Several parties have little lots of silk worms here. We hope the industry will be made a success and do not see why it should not.

Chautauqua met at Miss DeHavin's last Monday evening. This is a flourishing, prosperous institution here and is largely attended.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. King left for Tunbridge, Vermont, on the 23rd. They will return in the fall just in time to occupy their lovely cottage on Interlachen avenue.

Wouldn't the Boulevard and New England avenue look fine lighted by electric lights, folks would desert the Cuban fast mail every night and let it go on through alone.

Quite a party went out to Clay Springs the past week to spend the day. They were nicely cared for by mine host of the Ton-ya-watha and all enjoyed the day immensely.

Tom Griffiths will move his dining hall on May 1st to the building now occupied by Klemmer and Rutland which he has recently purchased. He is fitting up a fine kitchen and will go into it in a business way and we wish him big success.

We are glad to announce—there, we came near letting a secret out which we are just aching to tell. Well, it won't be a secret much longer and when you do know it, you will decide with us that it is one of the best things that has ever happened for the prosperity of Winter Park.

One reason why it will be well for anybody that wants to go into any new enterprise here to decide now, is because the Winter Park company will distribute about 50,000 of their pamphlets this fall and you can advertise thoroughly all over the United States the enterprise you propose. The matter for these pamphlets must be in by July 1st.

The W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting last Friday evening, at White's hall. It was presided over by Dr. Hooker, who made some interesting remarks, and there was a fine program of addresses, music, recitations, etc. This institution, which has had a firm hold at the North for so long, seems to be taking well with the South, and is beginning to do good work here for the cause of temperance and morality. They are not, as some think, a lot of cranks, but are earnest, hard-working women, who take this way to free their homes and keep them

clear of the curse of intemperance, and as such are entitled to respect and the support of the community.

Now we want to tell everybody that there are two first-class chances to make money open here now; one is Mr. Er-good's hotel of 28 rooms, and one is Dr. Henkel's hotel of 26 rooms, they are nicely finished, centrally located, and in proper hands can be kept fully six months in the year at good prices. The people are bound to crowd in on us next winter, and it won't make any difference with tourist travel whether we have any crops or whether we have yellow fever this summer or not. We shall, by the way, have big crops and no fever here, so don't wait until the season opens but rent these two places, fix them up for a big run of nice trade, and depend upon it you will have it.

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To Make an Asparagus Bed.

A correspondent asks how to make an asparagus bed, and on the presumption that the product is wanted for home use or local market, we advise plowing the soil—land that has been brought to a good tilth—deep as possible, turning under common barnyard manure at the rate up to forty loads per acre. Spread on this plowing twenty loads of barnyard scrapings and plow this under, three or four inches. Furrow out the soil five inches deep, the furrows three and one-half feet apart. In the bottom of these furrows set one-year-old plants, eighteen inches apart, and cover level. Keep free of weeds. The second year after planting you can cut the bed lightly, and thereafter for about six weeks from the time of the first cutting. If you cannot get barnyard manure, set the plants in the rows two feet apart, and apply in the bottom of the drills 300 pounds of blood manure, mixed with the soil, and thereafter one bushel of salt and 100 pounds of blood manure per acre, yearly on the surface. *Farm, Field and Stockman.*

Florida to-day embraces the liveliest, most enterprising, indomitable population upon the American continent, all things considered, and they make no failures. Again, the State's climate represents one hundred and fifty millions of dollars, since the money brought into the State annually by tourists amounts to eight or ten per cent, dividend upon that amount, and the men who are interested in her great enterprises are better backed and nearer to money circles than the people of any other section.—*Macon (Ga.) News.*

A railroad meeting was held in Geneva last week, Wednesday afternoon. A letter from E. T. Haines was read requesting the citizens of Geneva to hold a meeting and report to him the amount of donations, in cash and lands. On motion a copy was ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Haines at once—about five thousand dollars have been raised and a prospect for a considerable amount additional. The meeting adjourned *sine die*, though the subscription list will still be circulated.

Engineer Abbott ran a line from Lake Charm or thereabouts, last week, through Geneva to a point on the St. John's river, near Cook's Ferry. The people here are quite confident that the road will be built within twelve months.

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Go where you will, the watchword is improvement and progress. With the incoming of new settlers, new ideas and experiments are disseminated and tried; the latter with marked success, while our native planters and orange growers are rapidly learning that every article for home consumption may be raised here, and with profit. The old plan of sending to Chicago for our meats, to the West for corn and up North for hay for our horses and other stock, is being speedily abandoned, while the planters realize fully that every cent saved in this way is just so much made.

When what can be accomplished by intelligent labor on a combined farm, orange grove and truck farm, is considered, should it be a matter of surprise that Florida is commanding so much attention in the home of the blizzard and cyclone? Of course not; and as the State continues to grow, just to that extent will it become more widely and favorably known, until it will teem with a population that, for energy and thrift, the broad domain of our entire country will fail to equal. —*Leesburg Commercial.*

As an evidence of what can be done in the way of raising vegetables in this section, we refer our readers to our townsman, Dr. B. G. Abernethy, who has shipped up to date three car loads. On Tuesday last he sold to J. H. Stewart & Co., of Baltimore, one car load at this depot for \$2.35 per barrel. Returns from these cabbages have been such that he is entirely satisfied, and will ship the fourth load Saturday. Dr. A. struck it right this season, and we are glad to note that he is having such good luck. —*Altoona Register.*

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