

Current Events.

It is pitiful to observe the anxiety of the enemies of the Republic to find some salient point in the action of General Grant with regard to the Louisiana imbroglio. Possessing, as he undoubtedly does, the most thorough knowledge of the state of affairs in that section, we have unquestioning faith that events will demonstrate the wisdom of every act of his in the premises.

Whenever Lincoln made an advance step towards the suppression of the Rebellion, he met with the same opposition and opprobrium from a certain class, at home and abroad, that is now being heaped upon General Grant.

The "indignation meetings" that are now being held through the country are engineered by the same class of men who protested against "coercion" in the early days of Mr. Lincoln's administration, in the hope that by so doing their "commercial relations" with the South might be preserved intact.

The owl-like wisdom of some of our cotemporaries, as they review the situation, is ludicrous in the extreme.

In April, 1861, the *London Times* said: "The Union is gone for ever, and no serious attempt will be made to preserve it." In August of the same year it oracularly declared that "General bankruptcy is inevitable, and socialist riots may be expected soon." And in December: "If the Government wished to surrender Mason and Slidell, the mob would not allow it."

Now one of our Solons writes in a morning paper that President Grant's message "reads like something that might be written by a third-rate lawyer, who imagined the whole world to be as shallow as himself." And another brilliant specimen of the fourth estate demands that Sheridan should be cashiered and Grant impeached or deposed.

It is possible that Grant will at once retire from the White House to the peaceful shades of some village academy, but we doubt it.

In our January number, we very briefly and incidentally alluded to the proposed establishment of a Court of Appeal for the Dominion, and the probable changes in the Judiciary of New Brunswick in consequence. Our highly esteemed and lively contemporary, the