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Tuesday Morning, August 3, 1852.

FOR PRESIDENT
WINFIELD SCOTT,
Of Virginia.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT
WM. A. GRAHAM,
Of North Carolina.

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Sixth District.—JOHN RAY, of Ouachita; (substitute, D. F. REYNAUD, of Caddo.)

THE COMPROMISE.
WHIG PLATFORM.

P. The series of acts of the 31st Congress, commonly known as the COMPROMISE or adjustment, (the act for the recovery of fugitives from labor excluded,) are received and acquiesced in by the Whigs of the United States, as a final settlement, in principle and substance, of the subjects to which they relate, and so far as these acts are concerned, we will maintain them, and insist on their strict enforcement, until time and experience shall demonstrate the necessity of further legislation to guard against the evasion of the laws on one hand, and the abuse of their powers on the other—not impairing their present efficiency to carry out the requirements of the constitution, and to secure the forever agitation of the questions thus settled, as dangerous to our peace, and will discountenance all efforts to continue or renew such agitation, whenever, wherever, or however made—and we will maintain this settlement as essential to the nationality of the Whig party, and the integrity of the Union.

☞ The Northern Mail came through yesterday with the latest dates.

THE PROSPECT.

All the signs and portents of the times are full of promise for the Whig National nominees. The Whig phalanx at the North and West not only stands firm, but it is largely strengthened by continual accessions from Democrats. In the South the first impressions of disappointment have subsided, and the Whigs are every where rallying with ardor around the glorious banner of SCOTT and GRAHAM. The defection of a few dissatisfied Southern men—nearly all of whom had practically abandoned the Whig party for some time before they openly proclaimed their treachery has not caused the rank and file to waver. With the solitary exception of Georgia, where all parties seem to have fallen into a state of confusion and utter disorganization, there is not a Southern State usually Whig, in which the prospect is not fair and cheering. Locofocoism may vapor and brag, but our distant friends can feel assured, that the Whigs of the South are true to their faith, and that four noble standard bearers will obtain their earnest and enthusiastic support.

Admitting, however, for the sake of argument, that Tennessee and Louisiana have been rendered doubtful by the nomination of SCOTT, we apprehend that the fact gives but cold comfort to Locofocoism, when it reflects that this same nomination secures the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, and gives the Whigs a splendid chance in Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, Maine, and even in Michigan. We can afford to lose both Tennessee and Louisiana, and gain Ohio, though we do not think that Gen. PIERCE will carry either of these States. If the Whigs work with a will, they will achieve in November next, a HARRISON victory.

CONGRESS.

In the SENATE on the 26th ult., the bill for the relief of the legal representatives of Gen. James C. Watson, of Ga., was passed.

The Senate then took up the resolution of Mr. WELLER to refer to a select committee of five Senators the charges filed against Mr. Bartlett, the present Commissioner to run the Mexican boundary.

Mr. Clark addressed the Senate in defence of Mr. Bartlett against the charges contained in the speech of Mr. Weller some time since.

He had not concluded when the Senate adjourned.

In the HOUSE, the River and Harbor bill was debated until the hour of adjournment.

SICKNESS IN IBERVILLE.—The *Sentinel* says: We are sorry to say, from too many unmistakable evidences, that sickness of various types prevails in this county at the present time, and to a considerable extent. Our population cannot be too careful in protecting themselves from the heat of the sun, and in meeting the various changes of the weather by proper clothing.

Fatal Accident.

We learn from Doctor Gould, a passenger by the Steamship *Falcon*, arrived last evening from Aspinwall, that a street fight took place at Aspinwall on the 10th of June, between Col. H. R. Wood, formerly of Apalachicola, but more recently of this city, and Joshph Dyer, formerly a butcher of this place. It appears that Dyer was indebted to Col. Wood in the amount of $780, which claim the Col. had frequently pressed Dyer to pay, and Dyer refused. Col. Wood said Dyer if he did not pay the amount, he would shoot him. The Col. went to Dyers house and called him out but Dyer refused to come. Col. Wood then drew a revolver and fired at Dyer, the ball of which in his favor struck the wad in the pistol not being sufficiently strong to penetrate through the body. Dyer immediately raised a gun and fired at Colonel Wood, at the same instant Col. W. fired and broke Dyers arm. The shot from Dyers gun killed the Col, blowing his brains in every direction. Col. Wood was followed to the grave by Mr. Gleason, the American Consul, at Chagres, and a large number of the most respectable inhabitants of the Isthmus. Dyer still remains in a very precarious situation, and is not expected to recover.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.—Our readers are due the publishers, through J. B. STEEL, No. 60 Camp street, for the largest number of this prince of periodicals. The readers will find in it, amongst other entertaining matter, part 5 of Bleak House, the conclusion of "My Novel," and another chapter of Mr. Abbott's admirable sketch of Napoleon. The August number of Harper is very handsomely illustrated.

☞ The Madison (La.) *Journal*—which is ahead against SCOTT—explores the readiness with which the Whigs are falling into line.—Bravo!

When we heard the whigs, in the intensity of their wrath and disappointment, denouncing the nomination of SCOTT, we really believed them in earnest; but like a record of runaway accounts, they have been "posted" both, one at a time, until they are nearly all at their accustomed places, ready to swear that the nomination suits them exactly!

When another nomination is made for President, we shall wait thirty days before we put pen to paper in expression of public sentiment.

AN OFFER.—As it is customary at present with our contemporaries on either side, we offer for the next one paper to any or all men of this Parish, of whatever political stripe, for the two months commencing next week—*to be paid for when WINFIELD SCOTT is elected President of the United States.* Any subscribing in the then manner must do so in writing.—*Iberville Sentinel.*

NEW BOOKS.—Our thanks are due the publishers, Blanchard & Lee, through J. B. STEEL, No. 60 Camp street, for the following new publications:

The Cleanest Mouse.—A very valuable school book, presenting the epitome of ancient Geography, Greek and Roman Mythology, Antiquities, and Chronology and arranged so as to be readily and profitably consulted.

Shaw's Outlines of English Literature.—This is a rude sketch of the progress of English literature commencing with the origin of the English language, and coming down to the present time. Professor Tuckerman has added eight chapters on American literature, which contain brief sketches of its rise and rapid growth, and just views of the leading authors of the country.

Neander's Ancient Monachism, 2 vols.—Of this great work we need only say, that it is translated from the original German by Dr. Leonhard Schmitz, with additions and corrections from the authors own notes. These volumes comprise the history of the Ascetic systems, the Egyptians, Greeks, Manichæans and Coptic, genuine.

Harpers Universum.—Mr. LOUIS SAUVAGE has kindly sent us part 3 of this beautiful and interesting publication. It contains four splendid engravings, viz: The Whale, in Barnum's, scenery in Richmond Park, near London; The temple of the Sun at Baalbec; Roman scenery in Constantinople.

☞ We are indebted to Mr. BARKSTEDT, Mexican Consul, for a very pamphlet, and titled "a memorial setting forth the rights and just claims which the Government of the U. States of Mexico has, for some time, to the validity of the Garay Grant, &c., &c." It is published in English and Spanish.

LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.
Arrival of the Falcon.

The steamship *Falcon*, Lieut. Rogers, arrived on Sunday evening, from Aspinwall, 23d ultimo, via San Juan 26th ult., bringing three days later intelligence from San Francisco, and 22 passengers.

The steamship *Columbia*, with the mails of the 1st of June, and 88 passengers, arrived at Panama on the 20th ult.

The steamship *Sierra Nevada*, with 60 odd passengers and the mails for New York, left Aspinwall on the 23d ult.

Lieut. Rogers reports all very sickly on the Isthmus, and business dull, when he sailed.

The following vessels were in port at Aspinwall on the 23d; ship *Afghan*, and both Falconer, discharging coal—the latter to sail for New York on the 25th ultimo.

The *Falcon* brought the following passengers:

Messrs. Rinault, Green, Snyder, J J Palmer, A Dwyer, F Bacon, Bowles, Almar, Foley, Arnulfo, M Santiago, P Carord, J W Lincoln, P M Pfude, W Cooper, G Morrison, J Delapp, P A Wall, J Mathews, B Alexander, M S Jons, M. Lemercier, D. Gould, Miss Moon.

Armand Chapoulier, a passenger, belonging to New Orleans, died on the evening of the 27th ultimo.

By this arrival, we have received papers to the 1st July, but they contain little news of interest. In Mariposa, a number of foreigners, some of them very respectable people, have been driven forcibly away, although they offered to pay the license tax. Among the sufferers is a Senor Llagano, who had erected machinery at the mines, at a cost of 1,500.

A specimen of gold weighing eighty-five pounds was dug up near the Yuba river.

A railroad is in contemplation from Sacramento to Mayaville. Already a considerable sum towards this enterprize has been subscribed.

The papers record the usual number of murders and robberies.

TEXAS AND THE RIO GRANDE.—By the *Forth*, we have received dates from Galveston to the 30th ult., and from Brownsville to the 26th.

Gov. Bell has written a letter to Mr. Bricker of Brownsville, assuring him that Gen. Smith promises to send five companies to the protection of the frontier, and that he (the Governor) intends calling into service several companies of mounted volunteers, to co-operate with the regular force.

Telegraphic Items.

BOSTON, July 26.

The Newburyport Herald announces that the steamer Sarah and sloop of war Albany had been ordered to the coast of Labrador, to protect the fishermen, in compliance with the request of Com. J. C. Long, who is to command them. The owners of fishing vessels at Newburyport had appointed Capt. George W. Knight and Captain Robert Bayley a committee to wait upon Commodore Long to-day, to advise him as to the nature and position of the fishing grounds and all matters relating thereto.

The schooner lately seized by the English steamer Nettle was, at the time, off Grand Manan. The Captain says he ran in for bait, but the English says he was fishing. The case is to be tried in the Admiralty Court of St. Johns.—A large number of vessels are ready to sail from Eastern ports as soon as they are assured of protection from seizure.

NEW YORK, July 25.

The extradition case of Kaine, demanded by the British Government as a fugitive from justice, has been postponed till Wednesday. An immense mob of his excited countrymen attempted to rescue him, but were prevented by a force of 400 armed police who safely lodged him in prison.

PHILADELPHIA, July 25.

Two young men of Moyamensing named Wm. Gallagher and Anthony McCall, drank more than a pint of liquor each on Saturday night on a wager. Gallagher died this morning from the effects.

NEW YORK, July 26.

A fire occurred at Pocksville on Saturday last by which 20 buildings were burnt and property to the amount of $100,000 destroyed.

BUFFALO, July 26.

A steady stream of strangers bound to Niagara have been pouring into the city since Saturday. Our hotels are filled to overflowing. Several of the livery companies are now driving their last night's harvest.

CLEVELAND, July 26.

Fredk. Remond, steamboat agent of Buffalo, was knocked down and robbed here on Saturday night. His life is despaired of. Three arrests have been made.

PITTSBURGH, July 26.

J. Woodhouse, of the firm of A. & J. Woodhouse, tinners, of Allegheny, while measuring the roof of a new building at the foot of Seventh street Hill, stepped on a slightly nailed board and was precipitated to the ground, and died of his injuries in a few minutes.

CINCINNATI, July 24.

This morning three boilers in the saw mill of the Miami Railroad and Dry Dock Company at Fulton exploded. They were torn to fragments and the whole building was shattered. Several pieces of the boilers were thrown a distance of three hundred yards. The foreman, a German, was instantly killed, his body being torn to pieces, but out of about forty other hands employed, a few only sustained injury. The loss is about $4000.

BUFFALO, July 26th—8 P. M.

Visitors are arriving in large numbers by every train. The Camp ground is already covered with the Military, and the streets are thronged with people. The Committee is in session arranging plans for to-morrow. Letters have been received from Governor Hunt, and others, stating that they will arrive to-morrow morning. Several prominent Whigs have already arrived. The utmost enthusiasm pre vails. The weather is dry and pleasant.

NEWBURG, N. Y., July 26th.

A great Democratic Mass Meeting was held here to-day, Augustus Shell presiding, assisted by 30 Vice Presidents and 14 Secretaries—from 25 to 30,000 persons were present, and much enthusiasm prevailed. Among the speakers were Horatio Seymour; Hon. John A. Dix, Gen. Van Buren, and Hon. S. S. Boughton.

PHILADELPHIA, July 26th.

Great excitement was created here this evening by the circulation of a false report that the steamer Roger Williams, for Cape May, had burst her boilers, killing the captain. The report is now over, caused by a telegraphic despatch from Baltimore stating that she passed up at 7 o'clock this evening.

BALTIMORE, Pa., July 26th.

The funeral procession in honor of Henry Clay took place to-day. A grand military and civic procession was formed which marched to St. John's Church, where an eulogy, upon pronounced by A. E. BOWEN.

LOUISVILLE, July 26th.

Exactly two hundred and twenty-five delegates to the Kentucky delegation, who will attend the Baltimore Synod, elected only to Democrats.

Constitution of the State of Louisiana.

PREAMBLE.

We, the people of the State of Louisiana, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

TITLE I.

Distribution of Powers.

ART. 1. The powers of the Government of the State of Louisiana shall be divided into three distinct departments, each of them shall be confided to a separate, body of magistracy, to wit: those which are Legislative in one; those which are Executive to another, and those which are Judicial to another.

ART. 2. No one of those departments, nor any person holding office in one of them shall exercise any power properly belonging to either of the others, except in the instances hereinafter expressly directed or permitted.

TITLE II.

Legislative Department.

ART. 3. The Legislative power of the State shall be vested in two distinct branches, the one to be styled the House of Representatives, the other the Senate, and both "the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana."

ART. 4. The members of the House of Representatives shall continue in service for the term of two years from the day of the closing of the general elections.

ART. 5. Representatives shall be chosen on the first Monday in November, every two years, and the election shall be completed in one day. The General Assembly shall meet annually, on the third Monday in January, unless a different day shall be appointed by law, and their sessions shall be held at the seat of Government.

ART. 6. Every duly qualified elector, under this Constitution, shall be eligible to a seat in the General Assembly; provided that no person shall be a Representative or Senator unless he be, at the time or his election, a duly qualified voter of the Representative or Senatorial district from which he is elected.

ART. 7. Elections for members of the General Assembly shall be held at the several election precincts established by law. The Legislature may delegate the power of establishing election precincts to the parochial or municipal authorities.

ART. 8. Representation in the House of Representatives shall be equal and uniform and shall be regulated and ascertained by the whole population of each of the several parishes of the State. Each parish shall have at least one Representative. No new parish shall be created with a territory less than six hundred and twenty-five square miles, nor with a population less than the full number entitling it to a Representative, nor when the creating of such a new parish would leave any other parish without the said extent of territory and amount of population.

The first enumeration by the State authorities under this Constitution shall be made in the year 1853, the second in the year 1858, the third in the year 1865; after which time, the General Assembly shall direct in what manner the Census shall be taken, so that it be made at least once in every period of ten years, for the purpose of ascertaining the total population in each parish and election district.

At the first regular session of the Legislature after the making of each enumeration, the Legislature shall apportion the representation among the several parishes and election districts on the basis of the total population as aforesaid. A representative number shall be be fixed, and each parish and election district shall have as many Representatives in its aggregate population shall entitle it to, and an additional Representative for any fraction exceeding one-half the Representative number. The number of Representatives shall not be more than one hundred, nor less than seventy.

Until an apportionment shall be made, and elections held under the same, in accordance with the first enumeration to be made as directed in this article, the Representation in the Senate and House of Representatives shall be and remain as at present established by law.

The limits of the parish of Orleans are hereby extended, so as to embrace the whole of the present city of New Orleans, including that part of the parish of Jefferson, formerly known as the city of Lafayette.

All that part of the parish of Orleans which is situated on the left bank of the Mississippi river shall be divided by the Legislature into not more than two Representative districts, and until a new apportionment shall be made according to the first census to be taken under this Constitution, which part of the city of New Orleans which was comprised within the former limits of the city of Lafayette shall vote for Senators from the Parish of Orleans and shall form the tenth Representative District, and vote with the rest of the three Representatives, now apportioned by law to the Parish of Jefferson, for their Representatives. Districts shall remain as they are now established.

ART. 9. The House of Representatives shall elect as its Speaker one of their officers.

ART. 10. Every free white male who has attained the age of twenty-one years, and who has been a resident of the State twelve months next preceding the election, and the last six months thereof in the Parish in which he offers to vote, and who shall be a citizen of the United States, shall have the right of voting, but no voter on removing from one Parish to another within the State, shall lose the right of voting in the former until he shall have acquired it in the latter. Electors shall in all cases, except treason, felony, or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest, during their attendance at, going to, or returning from elections.

ART. 11. The Legislature shall provide by law, that the names and residence of all qualified electors of the city of New Orleans, shall be registered, in order to entitle them to vote, but the registry shall be free of cost to the elector.

ART. 12. No soldier, seaman or marine in the army or navy of the United States, no pauper, no person under interdiction, nor under conviction of any crime punishable with hard labor, shall be entitled to vote at any election in this State.

ART. 13. No person shall be entitled to vote at any election held in this State, except in the Parish of his residence, and in cities and towns divided into election precincts, in the election precinct in which he resides.

ART. 14. The members of the Senate shall be chosen for the term of four years. The Senate, when assembled, shall have the power to choose its officers.

ART. 15. The Legislature, in every year in which there shall be a new representation in the House of Representatives, shall divide the State into Senatorial Districts. No Parish shall be divided in the formation of a Senatorial District—the Parish of Orleans excepted. And whenever a new Parish shall be created, it shall be attached to the Senatorial District from which most of its Territory has been taken, or to another contiguous District, at the discretion of the Legislature, but shall not be attached to more than one District. The number of Senators shall be thirty-two, and they shall be apportioned among the Senatorial Districts according to the total population contained in the several Districts—Provided, that no Parish shall be entitled to more than five Senators.

ART. 16. In all apportionments of the Senate, the population of the city of New Orleans shall be deducted from the population of the whole State, and the remainder of the population divided by the number twenty-seven, and the result produced by this division shall be the Senatorial ratio entitling a Senatorial District to a Senator. Single or contiguous Parishes, shall be formed into Districts, having a popula tion the nearest possible to the number required for a District to a Senator; and if, in the apportionment to be made, a Parish or District fall short of or exceed the ratio fifth, such Parish or District may be formed having not more than two Senators, but not otherwise. No new apportionment shall have the effect of abridging the term of service of any Senator already elected at the time of making the apportionment, after an enumeration has been made as directed in the (eighth) Article, the Legislature shall not pass any law until an apportionment of Representation in both Houses of the General Assembly be made.

ART. 17. At the first session of the General Assembly after this Constitution takes effect, the Senators shall be equally divided by lot into two classes; the seats of the Senators of the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of the second year, of the second class, at the expiration of the fourth year; so that one half shall be chosen every two years, and a rotation thereby be kept up perpetually. In case any District shall have elected two or more Senators, and Senators shall vacate their seats respectively at the end of two and four years, and lots shall be drawn between them.

ART. 18. The first election for Senators shall be general throughout the State, and at the same time that the general election for representatives is held; and thereafter there shall be special elections to fill the place of those whose time of service may have expired.

ART. 19. Not less than a majority of the members of each house of the General Assembly shall form a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day; and shall be authorized by law to compel the attendance of absent members.

ART. 20. Each house of the General Assembly shall judge of the qualification, election and returns of its members; but a contested election shall be determined in such manner as shall be directed by law.

ART. 21. Each house of the General Assembly may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish a member for disorderly behavior, and with the concurrence of two-thirds, expel a member, but not a second time for the same offence.

ART. 22. Each house of the General Assembly shall keep and publish weekly a journal of its proceedings; and the yeas and nays of the members on any question shall, at the desire of any two of them, be entered on the journal.

ART. 23. Each house may punish by imprisonment any person not a member, for disrespectful and disorderly behavior in its presence, or for obstructing any of its proceedings. Such imprisonment shall not exceed ten days for any one offence.

ART. 24. Neither house, during the session of the General Assembly, shall without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which they may be sitting.

ART. 25. The members of the General Assembly shall receive from the public treasury a compensation for their services, which shall be four dollars per day during their attendance, going to and returning from the session of their respective houses. The compensation may be increased or diminished by law; but no alteration of the members of the Senate shall be operative by whom such alteration shall have been made. No session shall exceed the period of sixty days, to date from the day of its commencement, and any legislative action had after the expiration of the said sixty days, shall be null and void. This provision shall not apply to the first Legislature which is to convene after the adoption of this Constitution.

ART. 26. The members of the General Assembly shall, in all cases except treason, felony, or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at the sessions of their respective Houses, and going to or returning from the same, and for any speech or debate in either House, they shall not be questioned in any other place.

ART. 27. No Senator or Representative shall during the term for which he shall be elected, nor for one year thereafter, be appointed or elected to any civil office of profit under this State, which shall have been created, or the emoluments of which shall have been increased during the time such Senator or Representative was in office, and no person holding any office of profit or trust, or who may have been a collector of taxes, or who may have had public money, whether State, Parish or Municipal, shall be eligible to the General Assembly, or to any office of profit or trust under the State Government, until he shall have obtained a discharge for the amount of such collections, and for all public moneys with which he may have been entrusted.

ART. 28. No bill shall have the force of a law until on three several days, it be read over in each House of the General Assembly, and free discussion allowed thereon, unless in case of urgency, four-fifths of the House where the bill shall be pending, may deem it expedient to dispense with this rule.

ART. 29. All bills for raising revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives, but the Senate may propose amendments as in other bills; provided they shall not introduce any new matter under color of an amendment, which does not relate to raising revenue.

ART. 30. Every free white male who has attained the age of twenty-one years, and who shall have been a resident of this State twelve months next preceding the election, and the last six months thereof in the Parish in which he offers to vote, and who shall be a citizen of the United States, shall have the right of voting, but no voter on removing from one Parish to another within the State, shall lose the right of voting in the former until he shall have acquired it in the latter. Electors shall in all cases, except treason, felony, or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest, during their attendance at, going to, or returning from elections.

ART. 31. The General Assembly shall regulate by law, by whom, and in what manner writs of election shall be issued to fill the vacancies which may happen in either branch thereof.

ART. 32. The Senate shall vote on the confirmation or rejection of officers, to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, by yeas and nays, and the names of the persons voting for or against each of the appointments respectively, shall be entered on a journal to be kept for that purpose, and made public immediately after the vote before.

ART. 33. Returns of all elections of members of the General Assembly shall be made to the Secretary of State.

ART. 34. In the year in which a regular election of a Senator of the United States is to take place, the members of the General Assembly shall meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on the Monday following the meeting of the Legislature, and proceed to the said election.

TITLE III.

Executive Department.

ART. 35. The Supreme Executive power of this State shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate, who shall be styled the Governor of the State of Louisiana. He shall hold his office during the term of four years, and together with the Lieutenant Governor chosen for the same term, be elected as follows:—The qualified electors for Representatives shall vote for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor, at the time and place of voting for Representatives; the returns of every election for these officers shall be transmitted by the proper returning officer to the Secretary of State, who shall deliver them to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on the second day of the session of the General Assembly next after the election. The person having the greatest number of votes for Governor, shall be declared duly elected; but if two or more persons shall be equal and highest in the number of votes polled for Governor, one of them shall immediately be chosen Governor by joint vote of the members of the General Assembly.

The person having the greatest number of votes for Lieutenant Governor shall be Lieutenant Governor; but if two or more persons be equal and highest in the number of votes polled for Lieutenant Governor, one of them shall be immediately chosen Governor by joint vote of the members of the General Assembly.

ART. 36. No person shall be eligible to the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, who shall not have attained the age of twenty-eight years and been a citizen and a resident within the State for the space of four years next preceding his election.

ART. 37. The Governor shall enter on the discharge of his duties on the fourth Monday of January next ensuing his election, and shall continue in office until the Monday next succeeding the day that his successor shall have taken the oath or affirmation prescribed by this Constitution.

ART. 38. The Governor shall be ineligible for the next succeeding four years after the expiration of the time he may have been elected.

ART. 39. No member of Congress or person holding any office under the United States shall be eligible to the office of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

ART. 40. In case of the impeachment of the Governor, his removal from office, death, refusal to qualify, resignation, or absence from the State, the powers and duties of the office shall devolve upon the Lieutenant Governor for the residue of the term, or until the Governor, absent, or impeached, shall return or be acquitted. The Legislature may provide by law for the case of removal, impeachment, death, resignation, refusal or failure to qualify, of both the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, declaring what officer shall act as Governor, and how long he shall act, accordingly, until the disability be removed, or for the residue of the term.

ART. 41. The Lieutenant Governor, or other officer discharging the duties of Governor, during his administration, receive the same compensation to which the Governor would have been entitled, had he continued in office.

ART. 42. The Lieutenant Governor shall, by virtue of his office, be President of the Senate, but shall have only a casting vote therein. Whenever he shall administer the Government, he shall be unable to attend as President of the Senate, during which time the Senate may elect a member as President of the Senate for the time being.

ART. 43. While he acts as President of the Senate, the Lieutenant Governor shall receive for his services the same compensation which shall be allowed to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and no more.

ART. 44. The Governor shall have power to grant reprieves and pardons, after conviction, except in cases of impeachment, and except in cases of impeachment, shall, with the consent of the Senate, have power to commute, remit fines and forfeitures, after conviction.

ART. 45. The Governor shall be a conservator of the peace throughout the State, and may cause offenders to be arrested and brought before the proper tribunals for examination or trial.

ART. 46. He shall be Commander in Chief of the military and Navy of this State, and of the Militia thereof, except when they shall be called into the service of the United States.

ART. 47. He shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint all officers whose offices are established by this Constitution, and whose appointment is not otherwise provided for by treaty or by law.

ART. 48. He may require information in writing from the officers in the Executive Department, upon any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices.

ART. 49. He shall, from time to time, give to the General Assembly information respecting the situation of the State, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he may deem expedient.

ART. 50. He may on extraordinary occasions convene the General Assembly at the seat of Government, or at a different place if that should have become dangerous from an enemy or from epidemic; and in case of disagreement between the two houses as to the time of adjournment, he may adjourn them to such time as he may think proper, not exceeding four months.

ART. 51. He shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed.

ART. 52. Every bill which shall have passed both Houses shall be presented to the Governor before it shall become a law; but if he shall return it with his objections to the House in which it originated, which shall enter the objections at large upon its journal, and proceed to reconsider it; if after such reconsideration two thirds of all the members elected to that house shall agree to pass the bill, it shall be sent, with the objections, to the other House, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered, and if approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to that House, it shall become a law; but in such cases the vote of both Houses shall be determined by yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting for and against the bill, shall be entered on the journal of each House respectively. Any bill shall not be returned by the Governor within five days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to him, it shall be a law in like manner as if he had signed it, unless the General Assembly, by adjournment, prevent its return, in which case it shall be a law, unless sent back within three days after their next meeting.

ART. 53. Every order, resolution or vote, to which the concurrence of both Houses may be necessary, except on a question of adjournment, shall be presented to the Governor, and before it shall take effect, be approved by him, or being disapproved, shall be repassed by two-thirds of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly.

ART. 54. There shall be a Secretary of State who shall hold his office during the time for which the Governor shall have been elected. The records of the State shall be kept and preserved in the office of the Secretary; he shall keep a fair register of the official acts and proceedings of the Governor, and shall when required, lay the said register, and all papers, minutes and vouchers relative to his office, before either House of the General Assembly, and shall perform such other duties as may be enjoined on him by law.

ART. 55. There shall be a Treasurer of the State who shall hold his office during the term of two years.

ART. 56. The Secretary of State and Treasurer of State, shall be elected by the qualified electors of the State. And in case of the death, resignation, or absence of the Treasurer or Secretary of State, the Governor shall order an election, to fill said vacancy.

ART. 57. All commissions shall be in the name and by the authority of the State of Louisiana, and shall be sealed with the State seal and signed by the Governor.

ART. 58. The free white men of the State shall be armed and disciplined for its defence; but those who belong to religious societies whose tenets forbid them to bear arms, shall not be compelled so to do, but shall pay an equivalent for personal services.

ART. 59. The militia of the State shall be organized in such manner as may be hereafter deemed most expedient by the Legislature.

TITLE IV.

Judicial Department.

ART. 60. The Judicial power shall be vested in a Supreme Court, in such inferior Courts as the Legislature may from time to time, order and establish, and in Justices of the Peace.

ART. 61. The Supreme Court, except in cases of original jurisdiction, shall have appellate jurisdiction only, which shall extend to all cases when the matter in dispute shall exceed in value two hundred dollars, to all cases in which the constitutionality or validity of any act of the Legislature, ordinance of any of the corporations of this State, or treaty of the United States shall be drawn in question, and to all cases in which the State shall be a party, to all cases in which the legality of any tax, toll or impost shall be in question, and to all cases in which the legality of any fine, forfeiture or penalty exceeding one hundred dollars, or any imprisonment for any offence shall be in question.

ART. 62. It shall be the duty of the Judges thereof, to issue writs of *habeas corpus*, at the instance of all persons in actual custody, under process of law, in cases in which they may have appellate jurisdiction.

ART. 70. No judgment shall be rendered by the Supreme Court, without the concurrence of a majority of the Judges composing it, but whenever a majority cannot agree, in consequence of the recusation of any member or members of the Court, the Judges not recused, shall have power to call upon any Judge or Judges of the Inferior Courts, whose duty it shall be, when so called upon, to sit in the place of the Judge recused, and to aid in determining the case.

ART. 71. All Judges by virtue of their office, shall be conservators of the peace throughout the State. The style of all process shall be "The State of Louisiana." All prosecutions shall be carried on in the name and by the authority of the State of Louisiana, and conclude against the peace and dignity of the same.

ART. 72. The Judges of all Courts within this State shall form a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day; and shall be authorized by law to compel the attendance of absent members.

ART. 73. The Lieutenant Governor, or other officer discharging the duties of Governor, shall, during his administration, receive the same compensation to which the Governor would have been entitled, had he continued in office.

ART. 74. There shall be an Attorney General for the State, and as many District Attorneys as may be provided by law, who shall hold their offices for four years; their duties shall be determined by law.

ART. 75. The Judges, both of the Supreme and Inferior Courts shall, at stated times, receive for their continuance in office; and they are prohibited from receiving any fee or reward from or on account of any cause tried or to be tried in the Courts over which they preside. They shall not be allowed to hold any office of profit or trust under this State, nor the office of Notary Public, nor any office under the United States, or any foreign power, shall be eligible as a member of the General Assembly or hold or exercise any office of trust or profit under the State.

ART. 76. The laws, public records and the judicial and legislative written proceedings of the State, shall be promulgated, preserved and conducted in the language in which the Constitution of the United States is written.

ART. 101. The Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House of Representatives, shall be conversant with the French and English languages; and members may address either House in the French or English language.

ART. 102. No power of suspending the laws of this State shall be exercised, unless by the Legislature or its authority.

ART. 103. Prosecutions shall be by indictment, or information. The accused shall have a speedy public trial by an impartial jury of the vicinage; he shall not be compelled to give evidence against himself, he shall have the right of being heard by himself or counsel; he shall have the right of meeting the witnesses face to face, and shall have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor.

ART. 104. All prisoners shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, unless for capital offences, where the proof is evident or the presumption great, or unless after conviction, for any offence or crime punishable with death, by confinement at hard labor. The privilege of the writ of *habeas corpus* shall not be suspended, unless when in case of rebellion or invasion the public safety may require it.

ART. 105. No *ex post facto* law nor any law impairing the obligation of contracts, shall be passed; nor private property be divested, unless for purposes of public utility, and for adequate compensation previously made.

ART. 106. The people shall be free; Every citizen may freely speak, write, and publish his sentiments on all subjects; being responsible for an abuse of this liberty.

ART. 107. The Legislature of Government shall be and remain at Baton Rouge, and shall not be removed without the consent of three-fourths of both houses of the General Assembly, nor then, unless the same be published three months before the next general election for Representatives to the State Legislature, in at least one newspaper, in French and English, in every parish in the State, and a majority of the people of this State in favor of removal, shall thereafter vote for the purpose.

ART. 108. Amendments may be proposed in the Senate or House of Representatives, and if the same shall be agreed to by two-thirds of the members elected to each House, such proposed amendment or amendments shall be entered on their journals, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and the Secretary of State shall cause the same to be published three months before the next general election for Representatives to the State Legislature, in at least one newspaper, in French and English, in every parish in the State, in which a newspaper may be published; and such proposed amendment or amendments shall be submitted to the people at said election, and if a majority of the voters at said election shall approve and ratify such amendment or amendments, the same shall become a part of the Constitution. If more than one amendment be submitted at the same time, they shall be in such manner and form that the people may vote for or against each amendment separately.

TITLE X.

Schedule.

ART. 142. The Constitution adopted in eighteen hundred and forty five is declared to be superseded by this Constitution; and in pursuance of the compact entered into, it is hereby declared and ordained as follows:

ART. 143. All rights, actions, prosecutions, claims and contracts, as well of individuals as of bodies corporate, shall continue as they were at the time of the adoption of this Constitution, and which shall be passed on by the several courts, officers and boards of justice, in the same manner as they would have been if this Constitution had not been adopted.

ART. 144. In order that no inconvenience may result to the public service from the taking effect of this Constitution, no office shall be suspended, nor the laws affecting the same be inoperative in the houses of the several officers, Executive, Judicial, and Military, shall remain as they are now established by law, subject in case of any inconsistency, to such alterations as may be made in the same by the Legislature under this Constitution, and the several duties shall be performed by the respective officers of the State, according to existing laws, until the organization of the Government under this Constitution, and the entering into office of the new officers, to be appointed under and by virtue of the same.

ART. 145. Appointments to offices by the Executive under this Constitution, shall be made by the Governor to be elected under its provisions.

ART. 146. The Legislature shall provide for the removal of all causes now pending in the several courts of this State to Courts created by the Constitution of 1845; to Courts created by or under this Constitution.

ART. 147. The terms of service of all officers chosen by the people at the first election held under this Constitution, shall terminate as though the election had been holden on the first Monday of November, 1853, and the terms of all officers whose duty it is to superintend the first election, and to count, canvass and make returns thereof, shall be and remain as at present established by law.

ART. 148. The first election for judges of the Supreme Court, shall be held on the first Monday of April next, and the judges elected shall enter into office on the first Monday of May 1853.

ART. 149. The first term of service of the District Attorneys, and the clerks of the Inferior Courts to be elected under this Constitution, shall be regulated by the term of service of the first Governor, so that a new election may be held on the first Monday of November 1855.

Title XI.

Ordinance.

ARTICLE 150. Immediately after the adjournment of the Convention, the Governor shall issue his Proclamation directing the several officers of the State, authorized by law to hold elections for members of the General Assembly, to open and hold a poll for the same, at the State, at the places designated by law, upon the first Tuesday of November next, for the purpose of taking the sense of the good people of this State in regard to the adoption or rejection of this Constitution, and it shall be the duty of the said officers to receive the votes of all persons entitled to vote at said election, and under this Constitution. Each voter shall express his opinion by depositing in a regular ballot box, to be provided by the Governor, a ticket whereon shall be written "the Constitution accepted," or "the Constitution rejected," or words as will distinctly convey the intention of the voter in regard to the adoption of said election, which shall be conducted in every respect as the general State election is conducted by law, and the returns thereof shall be made to the Secretary of State, in conformity to the provisions of the existing law upon the subject of elections.

ART. 151. Upon the receipt of the said returns, or on the fifth Monday of November, if the returns be not sooner received, it shall be the duty of the Governor, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General and the State Treasurer, in the presence of all such persons as may choose to attend, to comp