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NEW ORLEANS:
THURSDAY MORNING, SEPT. 27, 1866.

COAL FREE OF CARTAGE.—W. G. Coyle & Co., 142 Gravier street, are prepared to deliver Pittsburg and English Cannel coal, screened for family use, free of cartage, in all parts of the city.

CHEAP GLOVES—James Ryback, 149 Canal street, has not less than 500 dozen pairs of kid gloves of the best quality, slightly damaged, which he will sell at 75 cents a pair; and 300 pairs for 50 cents a pair.

RETURNED.—Gen. J. B. Walton, we observe, has just returned to the city after a temporary absence. His large circle of friends, and his fellow-citizens at large to whom his name was so long familiar in honorable association with the famous "Washington Artillery," will be glad to learn that he is in robust and cheerful health and prepared for a vigorous business campaign in the coming winter. As to the nature of its operations we refer for explanation to the published programme, in an other column, of Messrs. Walton & Deslonde, auctioneers, agents, &c., No. 47 Carondelet street.

BUSTS OF GENS. SHERIDAN AND LONGSTREET.—The attention of artists and connoisseurs has been drawn recently to two remarkable busts, the one of Gen. Sheridan, the other of Gen. Longstreet, executed by Mr. Just Trudeau, a creole of this city. Though but a debutant in art, these, his first exhibited works, are pronounced by competent judges to be masterpieces. Mr. Trudeau's studio is in the Bank of Louisana building, corner of Royal and Conti, and we trust that gentlemen of the uptown press will call and judge of the works for themselves, and award the credit and encouragement which the artist may deserve.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AS A PLAN OF RECONSTRUCTION.

There is but one intrinsic fact of importance conveyed in the address just issued by the reorganized National Committee of the Republican party. It is the distinct and unqualified announcement that the pending Constitutional Amendment embodies the Republican no less than the Congressional plan of reconstruction. In the peculiar circumstances of the case, this statement of the principles and conditions on which the party and its representatives in Congress propose to restore the excluded States to representation and to all other practical relations of reunion, is a retrogression from the extreme Radical policy demanded by Thaddeus Stevens, Wendell Phillips, Butler, Brownlow, Wade and Chandler. For all of these have, expressly or implicitly, repudiated the Constitutional Amendment as comprising final terms of restoration, and have insisted on a programme inspired by most unrelenting political vengeance and sectional hate and replete with most dire agencies of social revolution and ruin. It would seem that the violent declarations of these ultra Radicals have reacted against their wing of the party. What conservative sentiments remained in the party became alarmed, doubtless, at the illimitable scope and the interminable protraction of the reconstructive work contemplated by the extremists. Hence the shrewder and more discreet Republican leaders and managers saw reason to place the party, as a political organization, clearly outside of a field so full of doubts, perils and mischievous contingencies, and to put it on a defined, comprehensible, practicable basis, whose conditions of restoration, comparatively moderate in spirit and effect, would tend, on the one hand, to disarm the argument that the party, while factiously opposing the President's policy, was without one of its own, and on the other hand, to assuage the fear that the policy which it really entertained and would adhere to was in harmony with the sentiments of the Stevens, Phillips, Butler and Brownlow school.

It is supposed that the address of the reorganized National Committee of the Republican party was written by Mr. Horace Greeley, who has the place in it from which Mr. Henry J. Raymond was extruded. This is not a violent supposition in view of the fact that Mr. Greeley's paper, the New York *Tribune*, a day or two before the publication of the document, declared the Constitutional Amendment to contain the Congressional conditions of restoration, and that it was only necessary for the excluded States to ratify the Amendment, as Tennessee had done, to obtain all the privileges and advantages, including representation in Congress, of States in the Union. The *Tribune's* remarks in that relation were very similar in thought and in language to the subjoined passage from the address:

> What, then, is the ground of complaint against Congress? It is charged that the action of the two Houses was tardy and hesitating? Consider how momentous were the questions involved, the issues depending. Consider how novel and extraordinary was the situation. Consider how utterly silent, and blank is the Federal Constitution touching the treatment of insurgent States, whether during their flagrant hostility to the Union or after their discomfiture. Consider with how much embarrassment a body of men called upon to solve the problem is beset, and you will not wonder that months were required to devise, perfect, and pass, by a two-thirds vote in either House, a just and safe plan of reconstruction. Yet that plan has been matured. It has passed the Senate by thirty three to eleven, and the House by one hundred and thirty eight to thirty six. It is now fairly before the country, having already been ratified by the Legislatures of several States and rejected by none. Under it the State of Tennessee has been promptly restored to all the privileges she forfeited by rebellion, including representation in either House of Congress. And the door thus passed through stands invitingly open to all who shall linger without.

When the New York *Tribune*, in company with the New York *Herald*, pointed to the Constitutional Amendment as a basis of practical restoration the acceptance of which by the unrepresented States would satisfy the Republican party and close the door to further exactions by Congress, we expressed a very reasonable doubt as to whether either one or the other would abide by that basis, thus accepted, as the final settlement of the question of reconstruction. There remains now, however, hardly the least room for any such doubt as regards the commitment of the Republican party to the terms of restoration involved in the adoption of the Constitutional Amendment; and it is scarcely to be supposed that Congress, should the party be generally successful in the coming elections, would contradict the platform of the party in this particular. The fact is, as represented by its National Committee which has just spoken in the address referred to, the Republican party assumes the quarrel of Congress with the President and takes its stand on the Constitutional Amendment as the unquestionable platform of the latter in respect to reconstruction.

It is, perhaps, premature to consider what would be with Congress on the part of the excluded States in the event of the general success of the Republican party in the approaching elections, and of the adherence of Congress to the plan of making acceptance of the Constitutional Amendment the precedent to the admission of Southern Representatives. The New York *Herald*, which, though it has abandoned the support of the President's party, still professes hostility to Radicalism, says that the President and his Northern supporters cannot do better, in view of present indications of public opinion in the North, than to cease opposition to the Amendment, and to urge its early ratification upon the State Governments in the South. The *Herald* says:

> As a man of the people, as a believer in the doctrine of a cheerful submission to the will of the people, and as a sworn defender of the Federal Constitution, President Johnson, in our view of the present crisis, has but one course to pursue. It is to take up the Constitutional Amendment now before the people of the North and push it through all the still excluded Southern States as rapidly as possible, so that during the approaching fall session of the present Congress those States may be reinstated in both houses. In this way the Northern Radicals and Southern Radicals may be speedily silenced and put down with the practical restoration of the Union on a solid and satisfactory Constitutional foundation. A little pressure upon the Governors of the Southern States concerned, like that which was applied in behalf of the Constitutional amendment abolishing slavery, will do the work in regard to this new amendment, and when done by Virginia, South Carolina or Texas those States will surely meet with the recognition and readmission into Congress accorded to Tennessee.

All the outlying Southern States may thus be restored to Congress before the end of the next session, and with this Southern balance of power thus brought into Congress the President, as against the Radicals, will become the acknowledged master of the situation. The warnings of Thaddeus Stevens and the open Chandler—which, as the present Congress now stands, may possibly culminate in some attempt at impeachment—are warnings and threatenings of which no more will be heard with the restoration of the Southern States. Congress itself will then be reconstructed and the last issue of power will be in the hands of the Administration.

We learn by a dispatch dated New York, 26th instant, and received by Mr. A. Moulton, agent of the Cromwell Line of Steamships, that the steamship Aberdeen, Capt. Bolton, from New York 22d, for this port, was ashore on Long Island, off Hatteras. Assistance has been sent her.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(To the New Orleans Bee.)

Gen. Dix's Appointment as Minister to France Denied---He is said to be Naval Officer at New York.

Celebration of the Centenary of American Methodism in New York City.

New York Markets of the 26th.

Gen. Dix Tendered the French Embassy and the New York Naval Office.

Mr. Bigelow Recalled at His Own Request.

Favorable Freedmen's Bureau Report from Florida.

Army Officers Dismissed by Court-Martial in Louisiana.

California and West Mexican News

From Europe.

Expected Circular from the Russian Czar---War Apprehended on the Eastern Question.

Commercial and Other News.

Washington, Sept. 26.—The New York *Evening Express* denies the report that Gen. Dix has been appointed Minister to France, and says he qualified to day as Naval Officer of that port. The report of Dix's appointment as Minister to France was derived from the State Department.

Washington, Sept. 26.—It is true that General Dix was offered the position of Minister of France and Naval Officer of the Port of New York, and both commissions have been sent to him that he may take his choice. The General only recently declined the place as Minister to the Hague, which was tendered to him some weeks ago.

Mr Bigelow, the present Ambassador to France, is recalled at his own request.

Washington, Sept. 26.—General Howard has received from General Foster, Assistant Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau for Florida, a report of the operations of the Bureau in that State during the month of August. In reports there is an evident improvement in the treatment of the Freedmen, both by the courts and planters. Ex-army officers, who, since the close of the war, have purchased plantations, are reported as doing well. The prospect of a fine crop is very promising. The corn crop is larger than it has been for several years past. The cholera prevailed during the month at Jacksonville, Apalachicola and Cedar Keys, the victims principally negroes.

Before a federal court martial convened at New Orleans, Louisiana, of which Brevet Brigadier General Charles A. Hartwell, 10th United States Colored Infantry, was President, the following named officers of the 10th United States Colored Heavy Artillery were tried, and being convicted of the charges preferred against them, were dismissed from the service: First Lieutenant Jeffery H. Gardner, Second Lieutenant Wm. D McGuire, and Second Lieutenant W. C. Reddy. The first two named were charged with conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. The latter was charged, in addition, with wrongfully and knowingly disposing of the property of the United States.

New York, Sept. 26—Arrived, steamer Raleigh, from New Orleans, Valley City, from Richmond and San Salvador.

New York, Sept. 26, evening.—Gold closed at 145¼. Cotton closed strong with sales of 3000 bales. Middling Uplands 37 5-8c. Orleans Middling 39½c. Flour firmer at $11 50 @ $12 for Shipping Brands; $12 @ $13 for Extra Brands; $13 @ $15 for Family. Lard dull at @16¾ to 16¾c for Southern. Rice quiet at 10¼ to 10¾c. Naval Stores quiet. Coffee dull. Texas Wool at 27 to 33c.

New York, Sept. 26.—The centenary of American Methodism was celebrated by a large meeting last evening, at which a subscription of over $500,000 was raised to aid in establishing and endowing colleges.

The steamer City of London and Hanse brought upwards of $1,000,000 in gold.

Forty thousand tons of coal were sold to-day at $4 10 to $6 40 per ton. This is a considerable decline.

Louisville, Sept. 26.—There was one death from cholera to day.

Sales 80 hhds of Tobacco at full rates. Superfine Flour $9 75. Mixed Corn in bulk 80c. Oats 44c. Prime Wheat $2 75. Mess Pork $32 50. Bacon 17 to 21c. Lard 21c. Raw Whisky $3 12½.

The river is rising, with 21 feet of steamboat water over the falls. A fleet of coal boats passed here going south to day.

St. Louis, Sept. 26.—Flour and Wheat unchanged. Corn 72 to 81c. Oats 50 to 55c. Provisions unchanged. Whisky $2 31 to $2 32.

Cincinnati, Sept. 26.—Superfine Flour $10 to $10 50; trade brands $11 50 to $13; fancy brands $14 to $15. No. 1 Red Wheat $2 78 to $2 80. Corn 80 to 83c. Oats 47 to 50c. Rye $1 05 to $1 10. Barley $1 60 to $1 65. Whisky $2 34 in bond. Mess Pork $32 to $32 25. Bulk Meats 14¾ to 15¾c. Loose Bacon packed 16½ to 18¾c. Lard unchanged. Sugar 12 to 15c. Coffee 26 to 31c. Gold 144 to 145.

Philadelphia, Sept. 26.—The Globe Cotton Mills were destroyed by fire to-day. The loss is very large.

San Francisco, Sept. 26.—The steamer Moses Taylor sailed for San Juan to-day. The Imperial Mexican Consul in this city has dispatches from Acapulco to the 15th inst., which say the Imperialists surprised and killed Gen. Dia in an engagement near Lago City, together with most of his officers and a large number of men.

San Francisco, Sept. 26.—Judge Field, of the United States Circuit Court, rendered a decision to day in favor of the United States for $35,000, against Michael Reese, on the bail bond of José Saimanteur, given in 1855, which is considered very important. It springs from the efforts of Saimanteur to obtain possession, by means of forged titles, to the greater part of the real estate of the city of San Francisco.

Passengers from Cape St. Lucas report a rumor of a counter revolution in Lower California, in favor of the exiled Governor, Antonio Espinosa, who, with 400 men, has started from San José for La Paz, to reinstate Salvador Vallarius, Provisional Governor, pending the arrival of Governor Pedris, who is expected to return in the next steamer.

Another rumor says the Imperial garrison at Mazatlan started out to attack Corona, with a view of raising the siege of that place. They met with a disastrous defeat, and Corona followed them to Mazatlan, which town was captured and still held, the French fleet being at Guaymas. The steamer Continental, not knowing that Corona occupied Mazatlan, ran into that port, when the Liberal commander seized her, with three thousand rifles and a quantity of ammunition, on the charge of being engaged in making war on Mexico.

The corner stone of the United States branch mint was laid at Carson, Nevada, yesterday, with Masonic ceremonies.

Halifax, Sept. 26.—The steamer Cuba brings the following news:

> The Paris correspondent of the London *Times* states that the Czar of Russia will soon announce in a diplomatic circular from the St. Petersburg foreign office his position and policy towards Europe in its state of transition. It is intimated that the paper is plain in its language and very decided, and will declare there is no reason why Russia should be bound by the treaty of Paris of 1856, that the Black sea must be free to her again, and that the injurious obligations imposed on her by a coalition of the Western powers are no longer binding. The writer expresses the opinion that the Eastern question will be re-opened and a war result therefrom, France and Prussia coming out in alliance against Russia.
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> Joseph Mazzini is circulating a force invective against King Victor Emanuel, his Cabinet, Generals, army and volunteers, for concluding a peace which overwhelms their country with dishonor.
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> The London *Times* disposes of M. Mazzini's most prominent arguments in a very severe and personal article.

Vicksburg, Sept. 26.—Passed down, Armadillo at 2 P. M. River rising rapidly.

Memphis, Sept. 26.—Thirty-three new cases of cholera within the past twenty-four hours are reported. There were nine deaths. Of these six were whites and three blacks. The weather is delightful. It is believed the disease will shortly disappear.

[Associated Press Dispatches—Last Evening.]

From Europe—By the Atlantic Cable—The Liverpool Markets—Troops Arriving at Quebec—Cotton and Gold Markets.

New York, Sept. 26, 1 P. M.—Flour firmer.—Wheat, 3 to 5c. better. Mess pork quiet at $32 87. Lard dull.

Halifax, Sept. 26.—The steamer Cuba arrived at 6 o'clock this morning, and will be due at Boston Thursday afternoon.

Liverpool, Sept. 25.—Much rain has fallen during the week, and little progress is making with the harvest. The grain trade has materially improved in consequence, but business is checked by the advance. Flour is firm at an advance of one shilling since Tuesday.—Wheat has advanced 2d. since Tuesday; winter red 11s. to 11s. 2d.; red spring 10s. 6d. to 11s. 3d.; corn was easier; mixed at 37s. 6d., and yellow at 38s. to 38s. 6d.; beef firmer and 2s. 6d. higher. Sugar quiet and steady; coffee active and firm; rice buoyant and 9d. to 1s. higher; rosin steady; spirits of turpentine quiet at 36s. to 36s. 6d.

London, Sept. 25.—Markets—Wheat advancing and 2 to 3s. higher on the week; sugar firm and 6d. higher; coffee tending upward; tea steady; rice active and advancing; turpentine quiet at 38s.

New York, Sept. 26.—A Canadian special says a sloop has been seized at Toronto on suspicion of being in connection with the Fenians. The members of the Cabinet are returning from Quebec to Ottowa.

The Europa and Tarifa had arrived at Quebec with troops.

It is said the priests have offered to purchase the Dalhousie building at Ottowa. This is said to have reference to the eventuality of the Pope crossing the Atlantic.

Pittsburg, Sept. 26.—Governor Cox, of Ohio, is permanent President of the Convention. He made a long address decidedly hostile to the policy of the President.

New York, Sept. 26, 1 P. M.—Gold 144¾. Sterling Exchange 108. Cotton is quiet at last evening's prices.

Special dispatches from Washington state that, in response to the memorials of New Orleans and Mobile merchants, Secretary McCulloch has promised to modify as far as possible the objectionable features of the Treasury regulations regarding the cotton tax, and that the Attorney General is directed by the President to advise the Secretary how he may, under existing laws, lighten the burdens of the cotton interest.

J. R. Grant, of Covington, Kentucky, father of General Grant, says in a private letter recently published:

> You know enough about Ulysses to know that to accept the Presidency, would be to him a sacrifice of feeling and personal interest. He could not well stand the trial of being a candidate for public favor. The high present position is every way a much better one than that of President. But if there should seem to be the same necessity for it two years hence as now, I expect he will yield.

St. Landry as a Cotton Parish.—We read in the Opelousas *Sentinel* of the 22d says:

> We have been particular in enquiring of every planter we have met, on this subject, and the answers we have received have been very contradictory. Some say that they will not make as much by one third or one half, as they expected, while others say they have not as yet been materially injured, and on the whole from what we have learned, we repeat our impression that a pretty fair crop will yet be gathered this season in St. Landry, by far the best part probably, of any parish in the State. This result will be another incontrovertible proof of the superiority of our soil for the growth of cotton. The papers in the parishes below here all concur that the cotton crop there is a total failure, and the *Pleaders' Banner*, the authority in such matters, comes out plainly and says the climate will not suit cotton, and advises a return to sugar planting. Here then, in fertile, healthy St. Landry should prosperative cotton planters make their location. Good seed will be plentiful next year, and hand to plant it in may be had on the most reasonable terms.

The Texas Ordeal.—The Galveston *Bulletin* of the 23d says:

> One of the duties impressed by the Freedmen's Bureau upon its agents is that of reporting the state of the crops. They are especially charged with looking after this matter and to them we look for the latest reports. Major General Kiddoo has furnished us with the following information: Robertson county is badly cut up by the worm and rains, probably not more than half a crop will be realized.
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> The north of Harrison and Fort Bend counties reports that in those the crops are very poor.
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> The agent of Lafayette county tells the same story.
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> The agent of Falls county reports that county to be in good condition. The rains have not reached it, but showers were spread. There are not freedmen enough to pick the crop.

United States Bonds for Europe.—The Washington special of the Philadelphia *Ledger* of the 19th says:

> Bankers here inform me that the steamers of Wednesday and Saturday of the present week will probably take out several millions more of United States Bonds chiefly the old issue of '62, for which were received through the Atlantic Cable. It is not an uncommon thing, however, to have orders for bonds counter manded by the Ocean Telegraph on the day on the eve of being shipped, in which event the bonds are usually thrown immediately upon the market, and many orders countermanded just