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RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

In compliance with numerous requests from all parts of the State, the Democratic State Central Committee met in this city a week ago for the purpose of discussing a resolution which had been offered by one of its members, to call together the Democracy of the State in general convention, with the view of re-organizing the party and making preparations for the next general election. We are informed the resolution met with strenuous opposition, and that a most animated debate took place. The proceedings being private we have no report of what was said by those who spoke for or against the holding of a convention, but we have heard that the only reason, if it can be called a reason, offered against the resolution was, that debatable questions would certainly be sprung in the convention which some of the members of the committee thought it was not for the interest of the party should be discussed at this time. We presume one of these anticipated questions was the attitude of the party upon what is known as the "New Departure."

The Anti-Conventionists were in the majority, but they offered a compromise which was accepted by their opponents, and this was to call the State Central Committee together in New Orleans, in November next, the country members of the committee being previously notified in a special manner of the object of the meeting, and particularly requested to be present. We believe the date fixed upon was the 3d of November, at which time the annual State Agricultural Fair will be held in New Orleans, but the Secretary of the committee will, in due time, notify the members of the day and place of meeting. The Claiborne *Advocate*, supported by the Shreveport *Southwestern*, calls for a State Convention, and suggests Shreveport as the place of meeting. We think Shreveport a much more accessible place of meeting for those members of the committee who reside on the lower parishes of the State, than New Orleans or Baton Rouge is for the members residing in the northwestern parishes. We presume the State Central Committee would readily compromise upon Baton Rouge, which we think a much better place for conference than New Orleans. We think the suggestion cost for the consideration of our country cotemporaries.

A Faithful Government Officer.

The person named Montgomery Gibbs in our telegraphic dispatches of yesterday, in connection with the loss of the steamship "Golden Rule," in 1866, and who is accused by Col. Wood of having caused her loss for the purpose of stealing a large quantity of Government gold—upwards of a million of dollars—which was on board of her, is the man upon whose testimony so many of our wine importers in New Orleans had their goods confiscated two years ago on the pretext of false invoices and false representations as to the quality of the goods. Gibbs was a detective officer of the Revenue Department.

If Colonel Wood is to be believed, Gibbs is a bright specimen of that class of men who were employed some years ago by the Government of the United States to entrap honorable merchants into violations of the revenue laws. The facts stated by Col. Wood seem to bring home to Gibbs the authorship of the plan which had been devised for the purpose of causing the wreck of the steamer and the appropriation of the treasure she was carrying.

THE COTTON TAX.—The attention of cotton factors and planters is directed to the card of Mr. R. Hutcheson, attorney-at-law of this city, which appears on our French side. The Government having decided to refund a portion of the cotton tax from 1867 to 1869—that is the tax paid on the weight of the bagging and rope which held the bale together, and known as the tare of the bale—Mr. Hutcheson has made special arrangements in Washington City for the prosecution of such claims. And knowing his facilities at the seat of Government we take pleasure in recommending him to our readers as an efficient and safe agent in the transaction of such business.

Louisiana Intelligence.

OUACHITA PARISH.—The *Telegraph*, of Monroe, says:

The news from the cotton crop is rather gloomy. Signs of the caterpillar are reported from nearly all portions of the surrounding country. We now fear the 15th of September will witness a thorough destruction of the crop not matured.

CARROLL PARISH.—The last number of the Providence (La.) *Republican* says:

The weather continues excessively hot, with occasional showers, which, no doubt, will prove favorable to the late cotton and thus have been recently worked out. Reports come to us from various portions of the parish that the caterpillar worm have made their appearance. Should these depredations be extensive as in former years, Carroll parish will be one of the smallest crops made for many years.

ST. LANDRY PARISH.—The Opelousas *Courier* of the 19th inst. says:

The army worm has not commenced its depredations in any serious extent that we know of, but it does exist and prowl soon we may look for the destruction to commence.

Certain planters think it is hoped, will not suffer materially, but those who are backward we will certainly lose considerably. The *Sun* thinks 25 per cent. The weather is favorable to the crop.

The corn is safe now, a middling crop, but the fodder is short. We also lose for the want of a proper weather to dry that excellent forage.

BOOSIER PARISH.—*Death of Arthur Fort.* The Boosier *Banner* of the 12th comes to us clothed in mourning for the death of the publisher, Arthur Fort, which sad event occurred in Bellevue on the 9th inst. Mr. Fort was a man of much promise, devoted to his profession, and steadfast in the discharge of manly duty. His death was caused by an attack of congestion of the bowels, and threw quite a feeling of gloom over the community in which he resided. We deeply sympathize with his family in their bereavement.

ALEX. H. STEPHENS AND THE LOUISVILLE COURIER-JOURNAL.—The *Courier-Journal* says:

Mr. Stephens says he has no indisposition to another and any and all questions that may be put to him. Mr. Stephens supposes whatever shut up all night in a closet with a small baby, what would you do? In such a situation, Mr. Stephens could do no better than to send for the editor of the *Courier-Journal*, who, judging from the graciously manner in which he handles the baby before the reporters, would make a most excellent wet nurse.

IMMIGRANT ORGANIC POSTAL ARRANGEMENT.—Washington, Aug. 24.—An arrangement has just been concluded between the United States and Germany to take effect on the first of October next, which reduces the rate of international postage for prepaid letters if exchanged through the mails between closed mail lines in England, from ten to seven cents for each rate of one-half ounce or under; unpaid letters are hereafter to be charged with double prepaid rates, and sufficient paid letters with the postages of unpaid letters after the deduction of the amount prepaid.

A BARGAIN AND SALE.—*New York, Aug. 23.*—A special from Washington says Special Agent Blair, quite recently declared himself in favor of Grant's renomination. Of course one of the conditions of these help-seven allegations is that Boutwell shall not only retain his portfolio for Grant's present term, but also for another five years in case Grant is re-elected.

A fine red rust square lately made at we are told, by the Grand Prince of Prussia in honor of the late war, is, it is said, "very fast colors on four square inches," and it is supposed to be in it is impossible to hold more pleasure. This is an admission of the moral equity of democratic principles of government. Democratic principles are lost at all seasons the blessing of self-government, and doing it to them as it ought to be done. Republicanism seems to be experimental, and turns out failures, but the truth of the principle remains unchanged by the failure of the experiment. Republicanism is the opposite of democracy, and is an unpronounceable idolatry

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SENATOR SCHURZ ON GRANT'S RENOMINATION.

We make the following extracts from a late speech of Senator Schurz in Chicago. Coming from him the censure administered to Grant is especially severe:

I am sorry to say that much would be won for this reform by the limitation of the Presidential office to one term. When a President cannot be elected a second time the temptation will no longer exist for him to use the patronage as a machinery of corruption for the purpose of securing his renomination. We shall then see without fewer scandals, like that connected with a prominent newspaper editor in the East, who one day wrote an article against the Administration, was appointed Collector of customs the next, and on the third declared that the place had happiness of the country, although temporarily also the nomination of President Grant; a real send-down transaction, of which the Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* remarked that the President did not even give this appointee the ordinary dry goods credit of thirty days. Low

Makes a President Ineligible for a Second Term.

And the market where concessions are bought and sold will at least be limited to that extent. We shall then have Presidents who can at least honestly think of this reform without being tortured by the idea how much advantage they might draw for themselves from those very abuses, and that pitiable servility will also disappear, which, in order to preserve office and patronage, works against all better conviction for the re-election of a President, before he has proved that his first election was deserved. The favor with which the idea of civil-service reform has been received by the best parties of the people permits us to hope that very soon the necessity of a revival of those other feelings of honor in political life which distinguished the first years of this republic, will be recognized. It is well known that Washington, as President, refused an office to one of his relations just because he belonged to his family. We have now come so far that this refusal will be ridiculed as stupid prudery, and an absurdly exaggerated delicacy. No, it was no exaggeration of delicacy; it was the entirely correct feeling of a gentleman, at the head of the State, who recognized the high responsibility of his duty, to impart to his subordinates his tenor of life and his conception of honor, by his own example. However much he deserved a reward for that which he had done for the country—and nobody ever did or deserved more, before him or after him—he showed that he looked upon his office as an obliging opportunity to reader still greater services, and not as a means of milch cow to feed him and his kin, and he could ask of every government officer under him the same conception of honor and duty; but when now a President puts

His Cousins and Brothers-in-Law

by the dozen at the public crib, then the whole character of the matter changes in a trifle; who will find fault with him for that? And he who feels the indecency of such acts, and expresses his feelings, is simply denounced as a traitor, whose heart must be full of black designs.

No, these are no trifles. The cousins and brothers-in-law of the President may, as officers, be no worse than others; but when he puts them to the public crib the chief of the State confers his subordinates by his example, which is everywhere visible, that in his opinion a public office may be used for selfish ends, for to make out of it what can be made. When the chief of the State thus presents, and then puts down into high offices and dignities, the men so appointed may be very worthy men, and the presents may have had nothing to do with their appointments, but the effect of the State has shown his subordinates that, in his opinion, an officer may take presents, and then proceed to favor the donors by acts in an official way, and who will then wonder when the subordinates, following the high example, also begin to receive presents and favors at the donor's house.

The New York papers are making much clamor over the fact that while Republican conventions adopt resolutions in favor of civil-service reform, a United States Marshal declines to a subordinate officer, whom, he has just removed, that for the removal there were only political reasons, and none arising out of any official shortcomings. Is that surprising, when the chief of Government, after having declared himself in his message in favor of civil-service reform, continually and persistently removes officers whose official conduct was unimpeachable, merely for the purpose of putting political toadies in their places? When he, as I have shown to you in one instance, carries the trade in consolence so far that the world laughs at it? Like causes, like effects, man. We ought to be surprised at nothing. No, gentlemen, these are no trifles, which show that from the highest position, the highest place, a model should be forbidden for imitation, that influences proceeds which undermines all fine feeling of official honor. Had Washington, instead of furnishing so bright an example of noble disinterestedness, given on his part the example of the plan which he would have devised for the purpose of causing the wreck of the steamer and the appropriation of the treasure she was carrying.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

The police have practically suspended to their government the administration of improvements, the gallery of the Bunker Hill Corporation, at the corner of Victory and Hospital streets, is in a condition to petitions to prevent crowding under it, in consequence of its liability to fall, yet nothing has been done to block off the gallery.

A pocketbook containing $400 was picked from the money drawer of the Custom House Hall, at the corner of Commerce and Magazine streets, while the proprietor was standing on the sidewalk.

Mr. P. B. Bontempi, a visitor to the city, reports to the police that his pocket was picked of $200, yesterday, while he was going from the main entrance of the Custom House on Canal street to the Postoffice.

A child nine months old son of Miss Benny, residing at No. 296 Esplanade street, fell into the cess-pool of her father's house, No. 400 Ursulines street, on Wednesday, and was drowned. Miss Benny was attending to her sister who was sick, and left the child in the yard, so they say, and from the child crawling into the privy, where the accident happened.

An Industrious Hoosehief.—J. H. Bennett, a person who, if what is said be true, has distinguished himself as a housethief, has been taken hence, under a requisition from the Governor of Alabama, to be tried at Mobile. He is charged with having stolen a horse there, and having brought the animal here and sold it, then returning and stealing another horse from the same neighborhood, and, it is added that while in this city, engaged in disposing of his Mobile acquisitions, he hired a horse and buggy at a livery stable, and disposed of them for his own benefit.

A Man Shot and Killed by a Policeman Without Justification or Warrant.—Last night, at a few minutes before 11 o'clock, the corpse of a small sized, slender man, apparently about thirty years of age, was brought to the station-house on Perdido street, and that Caughlin fired two shots from a revolver at him, one of which took effect and caused instantaneous death.

What truth there is in the story that the deceased was a thief is yet to be determined, but the fact that in the every part of Caughlin's account of the affair or the account of the officers who were with him and arrested Reyes and Perez, united in the statement that the latter forcibly investigated. One thing is very certain, that whatever any man may be, policemen have no right to kill him and execute men according to their code.

Caughlin, the prisoner, is one of the finest officers on the force; any qualification whatever, a week ago, last Saturday night, beat Martin Lang nearly to death with their clubs and kicked him in the head and body, on St. Claude, and, although he may be very worthy men, and the presents may have had nothing to do with their appointments, the men so appointed inflicting such wounds that although he is a young man of athletic frame and exceptional nerve, few could have lived after that night been able to leave his bed.

They have no right to take the life of any man or officer of the law, but when it is necessary to prevent him from consummating a felony which he is in the act of committing, or unless it is necessary to protect their own lives or the lives of others from the commission of a felony, of which felony the officer is not cognizant. It is not pretended that Reyes was in the act of having committed a crime, but as a vagrant, and that is the charge upon the police blotter, he has just removed, that for the removal there were only political reasons, and none arising out of any official shortcomings. Is that surprising, when the chief of Government, after having declared himself in his message in favor of civil-service reform, continually and persistently removes officers whose official conduct was unimpeachable, merely for the purpose of putting political toadies in their places? When he, as I have shown to you in one instance, carries the trade in consolence so far that the world laughs at it? Like causes, like effects, man. We ought to be surprised at nothing. No, gentlemen, these are no trifles, which show that from the highest position, the highest place, a model should be forbidden for imitation, that influences proceeds which undermines all fine feeling of official honor. Had Washington, instead of furnishing so bright an example of noble disinterestedness, given on his part the example of the plan which he would have devised for the purpose of causing the wreck of the steamer and the appropriation of the treasure she was carrying.

The District Attorney filed the following informations:

Wm. Perez, charged with picking the pocket of Mr. P. Eiland of a gold watch and chain valued at $200, at the Papal celebration.

Emile Riley, charged with burglary and larceny of two gold watches, two shirt buttons, a diamond breastpin, from the store of Mr. Levi Mitchell, on Bourbon and Perdido streets, plead guilty of larceny and was sentenced to one year Penitentiary.

James Moore, charged with assault and battery on Abram Bird, was convicted.

Catherine Sheehan, charged with a similar offence, was also convicted.

The case of Gregorio Roussel, indicted by the Grand Jury for assault with intent to kill Joseph Meyer, daughter, was dismissed.

Where to Apply the Knife.

Yes, it is my conviction that the American people, if they desire to restore the original purity of our public life, must direct their attention to the head as well as the members of the body politic. They have to see that when the head of the State does not understand the great responsibility of his example, it is not indifferent to the people, and that the people consider the moral tone of our public life important enough to distribute their favors accordingly. With the remedy of flattery, such cancers cannot be cured. With polite silence, or smooth figures of speech, this evil cannot be eradicated. It requires determination, and I hope we shall not have to wait for that until the disease has become incurable.

The Political Situation in New York.

From a late article in the New York *Herald*, on the political situation in that State, we make these extracts:

On the first of July last there was a fair prospect that the Democracy would carry the State of New York in November next, by at least fifty thousand majority, because of the unity of the Democrats and the serious divisions among the Republicans. But on the 11th and 12th of July the whole face of the case was changed. The general question of religious liberty involved in that Orange procession and as presented in that controversy made a profound impression upon the public mind—an impression which would have been utterly ruinous to the Democracy but for the saving intervention of the governor. As it is, this affair has thrown the party upon the defensive, with the odds against them in the rural districts. The actual issue or accusations, true or false, have only operated to strengthen the Republicans as the attacking party. The late affair has also complicated the question of free speech, will serve to contribute a fresh supply of fuel to the fire kindled with the insane attempt of a lawless crowd to suppress the principle of equal rights in suppressing the aforesaid obnoxious Orange procession.

Now, it can hardly be denied that Speaker Blaine correctly states the Presidential prospects of the Democratic party as good for nothing with the loss of the State of New York. They must carry New York in this coming November election or their nomination for the next Presidency will hardly be worth contending for in the national party convention. But how are they to carry New York in November as matters now stand? We cannot tell, though Mr. Greeley still holds it a hope for them. The Fenton-Greeley Republicans, it is said, still maintain their warfare against Senator Conkling, Collector Murphy and what our sensible friend Mr. Bonner terms, in regard to the Custom House compromise," but nevertheless Mr. Greeley is evidently getting weak in his backbone, and has intimated that if pushed by General Grant's party to the wall in the approaching Republican State Convention at the Syracuse salt works he will surrender unconditionally to General Lee capitulated at Appomattox Court House, or as graciously as Napoleon surrendered at Sedan. Mr. Fenton, too, still with an eye to the Vice Presidency (though Speaker Blaine will be a serious bar to him), is also quite ready for a reconciliation with Conkling, Murphy and General Grant upon reasonable terms, including a clean sweep against Tammany Hall. The wind and tide are setting in this direction, and changes are in favor of a union of the Republican factions, and the same friends and divisions among the Democrats in November, and what have they to say? Will the State to the Democracy and another change in the figures of the political kaleidoscope.

With the loss of this State to the Democrats in November we may have such a commotion among the politicians on all sides as to bring about a national scrub race in 1876, with all three or four Presidential tickets in the field, or we may have such a split in the regular Democratic party that he will qualify Tilden over the Presidential course. In any event, the vagaries of Governor Hoffman, the Canal Commissioner and Money, and the Cobden movement of Pennsylvania and Ohio will only add to the confusion and throw interest which these new political phases have created in our Empire State and to the utter demoralization of the Democratic party of the State and of the Union.

The Magnolia of Letters writes to the Boston *Transcript* from Paris, Arthur's adventures so far: Chicago in Ruins and flooded. Arthur's wife and baby in Europe. Arthur's self-experimenting upon turn coat principles. Arthur has not voted for the silver dollar since seventy and can be trusted to vote for his brethren-in-law in that way.

BY TELEGRAPH.

To the New Orleans Bee.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Court-Martial at Versailles.

Government Troops Accused of Having Used Petroleum Shells.

Reported Coolness Between the Emperors of Germany and Austria.

From Mexico and Havana.

HOME NEWS.

Washington Items.

Robbery of the Golden Rule Discredited.

Resolutions of the Wisconsin Democracy.

Meeting of Ex-Confederates in Missouri.

Miscellaneous Matters.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Paris, Aug. 24.—Rumors are en course to the effect that an attempt had been made to assassinate Bismarck, King of Spain, and that the King is injured. The rumor is not confirmed.

Versailles, Aug. 24.—The prisoners consist of twelve the court-martial hourly charge against Rossel, charged with raising parliamentaire shells against Paris.

The court promptly silenced the accuser by objecting to the purpose of calling up a question of the Commune.

Versailles, Aug. 24.—It is officially announced that the anniversary of the Republic will be celebrated throughout France on September 4.

London, Aug. 24.—The Amnesty Association of Dublin resolved to hold a meeting in Phœnix Park, on the third of September, for the purpose of getting up a petition to the Queen for the liberation of political prisoners.

Commodore Ashbury's yacht Levona starts on the 31st of August for New York.

A strike by 1800 workmen has occurred at Leeds.

The disturbance at Newcastle has not been renewed. The newly employed workmen were simply hissed yesterday by strikers.

London, Aug. 24.—The English Foreign Office have been warned to watch the proceedings at the Geneva meeting, to prevent the possibility that it becomes more than the settlement of the Russian Railway difficulty.

London, Aug. 24.—Emperor Napoleon will pass several days at Compiegne. Eugenie will simultaneously visit Spain.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—The *Zeitung* to-day announces that the Emperors of Austria have left Ischl, and that favorable negotiations are in progress, and that the coolness arising between the Emperors of Germany and Austria.

FROM MEXICO.

City of Mexico, Aug. 12.—Nelson dined the new Spanish Minister. The Mexican Cabinet and other dignitaries attended. In view of the early connection of the United States and England, the toast was proposed as a compliment to the latter country, which was responded to by Minister Foster. This is the first time any toast has been proposed by the Mexican officials.

Professor S. T. B. Mason.

FROM HAVANA.

Havana, Aug. 24.—General Valmaseda has gone to the interior.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Darden has the delirium, caused by being deprived of accustomed stimulants, aggravated by a wound in the brain received in the fight with McCarthy.

A semi-official statement regarding the matter of the Alabama claims, states the idea of robbery. The money was in compound interest notes, none of which have been paid, and the U. S. Government.

But ten of $50,000,000 of the 5 per cents loan allowed to the United States by the Geneva Tribunal, $25,000,000 was paid to the Wisconsin Democracy. That on the late amendments to the Constitution have been declared by the Supreme Court of the United States to be valid, and that the Democratic party is respected in the views of statesmen and jurists of the country, should be observed in all legislation. Democracy respected the Constitution and its amendments; that the Democratic party are opposed to the full enjoyment of the rights guaranteed by the Constitution to the people; that the Democratic party are in favor of the repeal of no higher law than the Constitution; that the time honored principles of strict construction upheld by the Democracy are respected by