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ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Lotta Thompson Troupe—"Little Rebel." "Rosebud of Sing-ing Neuin Farm."

DAN RICE'S CIRCUS—Tivoli Circle.

THE CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION.

The investigation before the Congressional Committee, now sitting here, draws to a close. Judging by the character of the interrogatories put to the witnesses by the members of the Committee, we infer that the evidence elicited leaves them in no doubt as to the kind of government Governor Warmoth has set up in Louisiana. Nor can they deny that his usurpations of power and corrupt practices justify any and every attempt at resistance which the people may make. The Committee must be convinced ere this that the late disturbances did not spring from the quarrel between the Custom House and Warmoth Republicans, but that they were the legitimate fruit of the mal-administration and misgovernment of which the Governor has been guilty. The committee must be satisfied that this has been much more than "a party fight"—a struggle for power. If they are not satisfied that there has been a spontaneous uprising of the people against the Governor as their oppressor, the visit of the committee to New Orleans will have been made in vain. The testimony delivered yesterday was of more than ordinary importance. The Committee had before them—among others—Mr. B. J. Joubert, one of the most respected colored citizens of New Orleans, an officer of the United States Government and a man of property. A trusted friend of the late Lieut. Gov. Dunn, Mr. Joubert is entitled to speak the sentiments of the intelligent and wealthy colored people of the State, and he told the Committee in very plain, although to some of them unacceptable terms, the opinion of Gov. Warmoth. The Chairman, Mr. Schofield, seemed to be annoyed at Mr. Jonbert's damaging statements and particularly at his allusions to "carpet-baggers." Our information is that the scene between the Chairman and Mr. Jonbert at this point was painful, Mr. Schofield having quite unnecessarily lost his temper, and displayed an ignorance as to the status of the witness which we could scarcely have expected from a member of Congress. Mr. Schofield is reported to have reproached the witness with denouncing the men who had come to Louisiana to liberate him. The witness answered that he never was a slave, and was not therefore indebted to anybody for that which he did not receive, but if he had been a slave it is notorious that the class of men called "carpet-baggers" did not come to the South on any benevolent mission. They are the camp-followers of the Union army who came to plunder the people and to enslave men of their own race. Mr. Schofield should have known that the "carpet-baggers" are adventurers, birds of passage, who have come hither not to engage in an honest occupation but to rob the State and her people under the forms of law—men who have no domicils nor homes anywhere and who claim to have been elected Representatives of the people in the Legislature of the State, while they are utterly unknown to the constituents for whom they undertake to speak. Mr. Joubert explained to the Committee that he made no allusion to citizens from other States who had come to Louisiana to make it their home and earn their livelihood by fair means.

The testimony of Capt. Scott settles the question as to the bribery practiced in the Legislature, if anybody doubted it. Capt. Scott is an unimpeachable witness. He gave the Committee the value in money of each of the leading members of the General Assembly, according to the scale they established among themselves. It appears that Democrats as well as Republicans participated in this business, but this has long been known to our readers. The great mass of the people of the State are not at all compromised by this criminal behavior of their representatives. There is scarcely a member of the Legislature taking part in this bribery business who was fairly elected, and we are sure the Committee of Congress will draw a proper line of distinction between the different classes of our law-makers. Our report of the testimony delivered yesterday is quite interesting, and we recommend its perusal to our readers that they may see how shameless is the conduct of their representatives.

GLORYING IN HIS OWN SHAME.

A member of the House of Representatives informs us that Gov. Warmoth was on the floor of the House on Wednesday, boasting of the victory he had obtained over his adversaries of the Custom House Reformers by the disclosures he had made before the Congressional Committee as to the interest of some of the leading ones in speculative schemes passed through the Legislature by corrupt means, and to which his approval had been sought. Gov. Warmoth, we are further informed, voluntarily confessed that "he had told the Committee more than twenty lies."

If this is not a case of glorying in one's own shame we should like to know what would be. Of our own knowledge we can testify that the Governor has not exaggerated the number of falsehoods of which he was guilty. The members of the Committee, we presume, regarded just a small portion of the Governor's testimony as true. The smile with which he accompanied his most bare-faced statements proclaimed to every listener their falsity, but we hardly expected that the Governor would go about the streets and legislative halls and boast of his own villainy. As a champion prevaricator we were prepared to give Gov. Warmoth a certificate, but his own avowal of downright lying renders it entirely needless.

A spiteful paragraph appeared in the New Orleans *Republican* of Wednesday, Warmoth's organ reflecting upon the doorkeepers of the room in the Custom House building, where the Congressional Committee holds its sessions. The *Republican* charges that Democrats witnessing the proceedings of the Committee receive more courtesy from the officers in attendance upon the Committee than Republicans receive. Judging by personal observation of the conduct of these officers, who have treated every one with politeness so far as we have seen, we think the complaint of the *Republican* quite unjust, but we suppose it is to be attributed to a dyspeptic derangement caused by the disgraceful disclosures made before the committee in relation to the conduct of Gov. Warmoth, its principal proprietor, and that of his accomplices in the robbery of the State.

We avail ourselves of this occasion to return our personal thanks to the members of the committee and to their officers, Mr. Bockstoce, the Sergeant-at-Arms, and Mr. Murray, door-keeper, for the politeness invariably extended to the representatives of the *Bee*.

We are requested by Mr. Carter, Superintendent of the Public Schools, to say that they will be closed until Wednesday morning.

TRY IT.—Mrs. Whitcomb desires all to try her Syrup; it is the great children's soothing remedy, and sold at the low price of 25 cents.

CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT.—We have the strongest reasons for asserting that Co-operation—not Fusion—will be the basis of active principle in the nature of a coalition between the Democratic party, the Liberal, or anti-Grant Republicans, the National Democratic Convention, which will most probably hold at St. Louis the 4th of July. In the meantime, it is highly probable that a National Convention representing the Liberal Republican Party will be held in Cincinnati in May, and that the Convention will be adjourned to meet in St. Louis at the same time the National Democratic Convention meets there.

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THE CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

Tenth Day.

The Congressional Committee assembled yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, the Hon. Mr. Schofield in the chair; all present.

Mr. B. F. Joubert was called to the stand—in reply to questions, he stated that a large majority of the colored people of the State were opposed to Governor Warmoth; he thought about four-fifths of them.

He was questioned about the blank resignations of the City Administration. He went into a long account of Mr. Dellassize and Mr. McCarthy; he said that the position of Administration of Assessments was first offered to Mr. Dellassize, but he declined to accept it, as it was to run but six months, and he had a better position.

Mr. McCarthy was then offered the position and accepted it; and Mr. Dellassize was appointed Administrator of Water Works and Public Buildings. Mr. Joubert said that he was at the City Hall on the day the gentlemen took their seats; he said that just before taking his seat Mr. McCarthy went into the office of the Secretary of State, and when he came out he said to Mr. Joubert, "the Governor has made me a sign of my resignation." He afterward heard him say to the Governor, "Governor, I will give five hundred dollars to any charitable institution in the State if you date that resignation to-day." The Governor replied: "No sir, not for ten thousand dollars." He did not know personally of any other resignation.

Do you consider the Governor an obstacle to the prosperity and advancement of the State and of your race?

A.—I do, sir.

He said that he thought the colored people were opposed to Governor Warmoth because he was unfriendly to their race; he also stated that the colored people were politically afraid of their old master; he thought it would be well, belonging to the State to get rid of the present carpet-baggers who compose our State Government, and he thought that it would be very acceptable to a majority of the colored people.

He said he thought the best class of the people in the South had accepted the results of the war in good faith.

He said in reply to questions, that in 1869 the office of State Tax Collector was worth per year as follows: First District, $32,000; Second District, $25,000; Third District, $17,000; Fourth District, $8,000 to $30,000; and the State Tax Assessor, of which there were two, received $20,000 apiece. He said taxes since that time had considerably increased, and in consequence the profits of tax collecting was more valuable. He considered them worth as follows: First District, $70,000; Second District, $40,000; Third District, $30,000; Fourth District, $30,000.

The witness being asked what he meant by the term "carpet-bagger," said he meant those men who came to the South to make money and then left, such men as Gen. Lee (first State Printer and a Senator, Ed.) who had come here from New York. He said "I do not wish to indulge in personalities. I do not intend to denounce all the men who came and are coming here from the North to earn an honest living. Some of them are my friends."

The Hon. Mr. Schofield again questioned the witness at some length to ascertain who he really denounced as "carpet-baggers" and "scallawags," to which Mr. Joubert replied as formerly: "those men who came to make money and then leave."

The Hon. Mr. Speer—The Chairman understood you to make a sweeping denunciation of all the men who came from the North.

Witness replied that the gentleman had misunderstood him, and again explained what he meant.

The Hon. Mr. Schofield—Then you do not denounce the class: only certain individuals?

Mr. Joubert—Only certain individuals.

In reply to questions by the Hon. Mr. Archer, Mr. Joubert said that he had considered Col. Casey a carpet-bagger, but he did not now do so, as Col. Casey had settled in the State.

The Hon. Mr. Archer wished to know whether he had ever owned slaves?

Mr. Joubert replied that he had held slaves from his family. He had induced his father to liberate them; all he had owned two that were not liberated; one was a boy who was now his clerk, and who could "read and write as well as any man, and could talk English, French and Spanish." He did not liberate these two, because, when he became their master, there was a law that required every man who liberated a slave to leave the State.

The Hon. Mr. Speer—You do not affiliate with your race—you belong to the aristocratic class?

A.—I am no aristocrat.

Q.—I did not suppose that you would admit it.

A.—I will admit, sir, anything that is true.

No one had said to him that they would rather see him in office than these scalawags and carpet-baggers. He did not know whether there would be a distinction made in his favor if he attended theatres, because he never went to them.

He was, during the war, friendly to the Union. He was not in the United States at the time; he was in France. He had always prayed, did so for the Union, and fought for it, and he had been threatened that his property would be seized if the Confederacy triumphed. He replied that he did not care.

The Hon. Mr. Schofield—You used the word "fight." What did you mean by that?

Mr. Joubert started to explain.

The Hon. Mr. Schofield—(Interrupting) You mean that you fought for the Union, as the members of this committee in Congress, you talked (laughter.)

Mr. Joubert—Yes, that is it.

Witness did not think that Gov. Warmoth was a carpet-bagger, because he had lived here ever since he first came here.

He thought that those men whom he termed carpet-bagger did not really love the colored people; they only wanted to make political slaves of them.

Q.—Are you a Republican?

A.—I am a radical Republican.

Q.—You knew the late Lieutenant-Governor Dunn intimately did you not?

A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Was he in favor of the clause in the Constitution making Governor Warmoth ineligible for a second term?

A.—He was not.

Q.—Would he have trusted Governor Warmoth again?

A.—No, sir.

Q.—Do you believe that the colored people of New Orleans, with the lights before them, would vote to pay for Governor Warmoth?

A.—I do not believe they would.

Q.—Did the Governor ever pledge himself to you to sign the first Civil Rights bill, which he subsequently vetoed?

A.—He did, sir.

Q.—Did he not ask you to support some one in your ward favorable to him, for the Convention in August last?

A.—He asked me to support a friend of his. I declined; on the ground that the party recommended was not a fit person, and did not enjoy the confidence of the voters of my district.

Q.—Was any violence used in your ward previous to the election for delegates to the Convention of August last?

A.—There was no violence; but a great deal of noise. I was at the meeting polls—at the polls—and received notice that they did not use violence, because they knew we were prepared to meet them if they had attempted it.

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In regard to the bill to pay banks the money loaned by them to the State witness also gave testimony. He was in the habit of visiting the office of Messrs. Avegno & Willes, corner of Common and Carondelet streets. Mr. Avegno showed witness a list of the members who had been contracted with to support the bill. Took the names down in a memorandum book, by permission of Mr. Avegno. Witness believes he has the book yet at home, but is not positive. Only remembers a few of the names—Lynch, Bowman and Wickersham. Waters was then a representative from one of the wards in the First Municipal District and was elected and classified as a Democrat. Witness left Mr. Avegno after handing in the list to giving any other names from memory. The price of each vote was $500 cash and $1,000 of the bonds which were to be issued to the banks. A few were more expensive. Carr was then Speaker. He came into Mr. Avegno's office one day, when this measure was pending, and witness was there. Carr went out with a gentleman who returned presently with Carr's horse written on a slip of paper, which were $30,000 worth of bonds. Witness did not know the name of the gentleman. He was one of the persons interested in the bill.

Witness was one of the members of the Parish Executive Committee when the bill was up to change the city charter. The defeat of the bill was desired. Witness having known Senator Beers in New York had a conference with him with the view of obtaining his aid. He said there was a ring in the Senate, of which Pinchback was the head, and an arrangement would have to be made with him. An interview was had with Pinchback, who said "nothing could be done without money." Witness asked how much was necessary? Next day Beers told witness that $8000 would defeat the bill in the Senate. Witness consulted with Democrats. They would pay no money, they said, for legislation. Action on the bill was suspended until witness told Beers and Pinchback that no money would be paid to defeat the measure. Immediately after the bill was taken up and passed.

The city of New Orleans gave a corporation the privilege of constructing the Sugar Sheds, which now occupy the site of the old Sugar Platform. Soon after a committee was raised in the House, with the pretence of making some investiantions in regard to the affair. The committee consisted, witness thinks, of three members—Carr, Morey (now member of Congress from the Ouachita District) and a colored man whose name witness did not know. Morey and Carr were present and received $5000 of the stock of the company for making a favorable report, which they did immediately after receiving the stock.

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In regard to the bill to pay banks the money loaned by them to the State witness also gave testimony. He was in the habit of visiting the office of Messrs. Avegno & Willes, corner of Common and Carondelet streets. Mr. Avegno showed witness a list of the members who had been contracted with to support the bill. Took the names down in a memorandum book, by permission of Mr. Avegno. Witness believes he has the book yet at home, but is not positive. Only remembers a few of the names—Lynch, Bowman and Wickersham. Waters was then a representative from one of the wards in the First Municipal District and was elected and classified as a Democrat. Witness left Mr. Avegno after handing in the list to giving any other names from memory. The price of each vote was $500 cash and $1,000 of the bonds which were to be issued to the banks. A few were more expensive. Carr was then Speaker. He came into Mr. Avegno's office one day, when this measure was pending, and witness was there. Carr went out with a gentleman who returned presently with Carr's horse written on a slip of paper, which were $30,000 worth of bonds. Witness did not know the name of the gentleman. He was one of the persons interested in the bill.

Witness was one of the members of the Parish Executive Committee when the bill was up to change the city charter. The defeat of the bill was desired. Witness having known Senator Beers in New York had a conference with him with the view of obtaining his aid. He said there was a ring in the Senate, of which Pinchback was the head, and an arrangement would have to be made with him. An interview was had with Pinchback, who said "nothing could be done without money." Witness asked how much was necessary? Next day Beers told witness that $8000 would defeat the bill in the Senate. Witness consulted with Democrats. They would pay no money, they said, for legislation. Action on the bill was suspended until witness told Beers and Pinchback that no money would be paid to defeat the measure. Immediately after the bill was taken up and passed.

The city of New Orleans gave a corporation the privilege of constructing the Sugar Sheds, which now occupy the site of the old Sugar Platform. Soon after a committee was raised in the House, with the pretence of making some investiantions in regard to the affair. The committee consisted, witness thinks, of three members—Carr, Morey (now member of Congress from the Ouachita District) and a colored man whose name witness did not know. Morey and Carr were present and received $5000 of the stock of the company for making a favorable report, which they did immediately after receiving the stock.

Q.—Did you ever speculate in bonds or warrants?

A.—Never, sir.

Mr. Ingraham gave notice that he desired to proceed upon the minority bill yesterday, for the purpose of its consideration for the first section.

Mr. Hamilton moved to lay Mr. Blankman's proposition upon the table, upon the vote being taken.

Mr. Cochrane, Speaker, Conway, Dunn, Hamilton, Hunter, Lynch, Mahilon, Moore, Pinchback, Magee, Sypher, Todd, Twitchell—18.

Nays—Antoine, Blackman, Bowman, Copeland, Daigle, Conrad, Dejan, Dubuclet, Garrett, Herwig, Ingraham, Offray, Perkins, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson—18.

Mr. Wickham moved to lay Mr. Blankman's proposition upon the table. Lost—ayes, 19; nays, 18.

Mr. O'Hara moved to strike out "nor any person who acted as reporter at the last session. Adopted.

The additional section was then adopted, by 22 yeas to 16 nays.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following as an additional section:

That in the city of New Orleans there shall be a registration appointed for each ward, one from each political party, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee of each party.

Mr. Harris moved to lay the additional section upon the table.

Mr. Harris's motion prevailed—yeas 19, nays 13.

On motion of Mr. Harris the bill was then adopted as a whole by 20 yeas to 11 nays.

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Nays—Antoine, Blackman, Bowman, Copeland, Daigle, Herwig, Ingraham, Thompson—8.

House Bill 297—Authorizing the Police Jury of Caldwell Parish to issue bonds of the parish for certain improvements of the public buildings of the parish of Caldwell was taken up and passed its first reading.

The Secretaries of the Navy and Treasury were before the Committee to-day, and submitted estimates and appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year.

Senate.—Mr. Sherman's bill relating to post-office matters passed.

Quite a number of bills were introduced. The vote striking out the enacting portion of Mr. Sumner's amendment failed by a vote of 25 to 35.

Mr. Trumbull said he would vote against every amendment that stops the House leaving the bill as obnoxious as possible.

An amendment creating Missions to counties passed by 30 to 18. The amendment, to cut out the ninth proviso, failed by 13 to 35.

Adjourned.

House.—The admission bill finally passed. The Democrats voting aye on the question, Bill were Messrs. Kerr, Poland, Slocum, Storm and Voorhees—5. Republicans voting nay were Messrs. Beatty, Bingham, Clark of New York, Dickey, Houghton, Killinger, Myers, Nugent, Packer, Peck, Peters, Sargent, Scofield, Wilson and Wood, of Ohio.

A new draft for coin executed and the House adjourned.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

New York, Feb. 8.—There were 19 cases of smallpox yesterday and 7 deaths.

New York, Feb. 8.—William and George Knight, arrested a few days ago for extradition, have been discharged. Extradition is not within the line of officers' commanded or contemplated by the extradition treaty with Great Britain.

Boston, Feb. 8.—A letter to the Postmaster Bost says a fire at Ogdensburg on Thursday morning, destroyed all the mail matter, including the registered letters, which left Boston on Monday morning for Ogdensburg, and beyond the postmaster's depot the Ogdensburg and Lower Canada railroad freight depot. Two cars and considerable freight were destroyed.

Boston, Mass, Feb. 8.—The Committee on Contested Elections made three reports in the cases from Copiah and Lauderdale counties. The report submitted by the Democratic members of the voluminous sitting authorities. The Republicans submitted a report that their party friends shall be seated. The chairman asks for new elections. The Republicans will doubtless be heeded, as they have a majority in the Legislature. A motion to allow the Republican members to designate who should represent those counties failed.

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An editor, speaking of the Hon. W. S. Grosvenor, says: Mr. Grosvenor has made few public speeches, avoiding the reputation he enjoys, and has spent very little time in public life; but he has the faculty of always coming up to the requirements of the occasion and making it his reputation every time he speaks. This is a rare and enviable distinction.

Grand Year Match and Ball.

Mrs. Isaacson is to be congratulated on the success of her entertainment last night. Most every gentleman in possession of a dress suit was present, often neglect to invite their partners to the most ordinary entertainments. Thousands of dollars were spent in preparing for the ball, and the result was a success. Everything was done that could be done to make it so. The supper was excellent, and the music was perfect. Everybody seemed to enjoy themselves, and we have not heard a single complaint. The ball was given in honor of the New Year, and was a fitting close to the festivities of the season. Many of the costumes were very handsome, and the display of diamonds was unusually brilliant. Among the ladies present we noticed Mrs. Isaacson, in a rich white satin dress, with diamonds; Mrs. Hoar, in a handsome white dress, with diamonds; Mrs. Hoar, in a handsome white dress, with diamonds; Mrs. Hoar, in a handsome white