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CANDIDATES.

For Representative.

To the Voters of Calcasieu Parish: I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for election to the Lower House of the next General Assembly.

S. O. SHATTUCK.

For Sheriff.

To the Voters of Calcasieu Parish, La.: I am a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Calcasieu Parish, and solicit your support at the ensuing election.

JOHN A. VINCENT.

All the candidates for Speaker of the National House of Representatives are confident of their election. The contest, however, seems to be narrowed down between Carlile and Randall.

A St. Johns, N. F., dispatch reports a fearful snow storm occurring last Friday and Saturday, attended with great loss of life and property.

Last Sunday morning, a few miles above Natchez, Miss., the steamboat S. H. Parisot, while on her way to New Orleans, took fire and burned to the water's edge.

A street encounter took place last Thursday between Gen. F. N. Ogden and J. W. Fairfax, the managing editor of the N. O. City Item. General Ogden was passing the office of Mr. Fairfax with a mutual friend, when Mr. Fairfax hailed Gen. Ogden who resented the salutation, and, after an exchange of words, several blows were passed.

The next Presidential canvass means one of two things to the Republican party—victory or destruction. There is no half-way ground for the Republican party.

Some of the police jurors of Caddo parish have tendered their resignations, to take effect April 1, 1884. They are unwilling to keep their offices unless their constituents manifest the desire that these officers should continue to serve them.

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The fine forests of Arkansas are being rapidly opened up to trade by the numerous saw mills which are rapidly springing up all over the timbered sections.

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

On the 8th of December fifty-nine delegates to the Parish Convention will be chosen from the several voting precincts throughout the parish, to meet in Lake Charles on the 13th. The united voice of these fifty-nine delegates will represent the voice of Calcasieu in the present campaign.

The contest for the office of Governor has alone, up to this hour, engaged the attention of the politicians and of the partisan press, throughout the State. All other questions have been thrown away as side issues, entirely too unimportant for present consideration.

Among the prominent names now before the Democrats of this State, as candidates for Governor, are Gov. S. D. McEnery and Gen. F. N. Ogden. In our humble opinion, although we have our choice between them, the election of neither of them is absolutely essential to the salvation of the State.

Any other Governor would have been a McEnery in 1882-1883, and any other General would have been an Ogden in 1874; nay, for either of them, on these occasions, to have failed to perform the duty imposed upon him, would have amounted almost to a crime.

We take it for granted, therefore, that neither of them is absolutely necessary to the State. Ever since the two great New Orleans dailies, the Times-Democrat, on the one side, for Gov. McEnery, and the Picayune, on the other side, for Gen. Ogden, opened the present campaign, the State has been in an abnormal state of excitement.

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dates repugnant to a large fraction of the party; but, in such circumstances, it becomes the duty of all good, honest and patriotic Democrats to make all due allowances for sincere differences of opinion, and, instead of forcing their preferences upon others, to conciliate these differences by proper and timely concessions, and preserve the unity and harmony of the party.

Should it occur, therefore, for any cause whatever, that the candidacy either of Gov. McEnery or of Gen. Ogden is too violently antipathetic to a respectable portion of the Democratic party, then let either or both be discarded, to make way for the best man in the party, against whom no prejudices have been arrayed.

The Coming World's Fair.

Extensive preparations are being made for the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition, which is to be opened in New Orleans in December, 1884. The fair is to be held in the City Park of New Orleans, which is very easy of access both by land and water, and the main building will cover about 28 acres.

Quite a Difference.

Some of the McEnery organs in the State assert that their candidate will be nominated on the first ballot, others claim for him 159 votes in the convention against 101 for Gen. Ogden, leaving 139 votes unaccounted for—a vote sufficiently large to give the balance of power to those that are non-committal.

The Republican Party Must Go.

The death knell has already been sounded and the dying groans of the corrupt, expiring carcass may be heard in the places where the old party has been in power for twenty years. After the election in 1884, the public offices will know them no more; the places where corruption has existed will be guarded by the unerring hand of Justice, and honesty will hover like a halo over all the departments of State.

It is evident now that Ohio and New York will be the centres of the great contest of next year. The Republicans must carry both of these to win, as the Democrats, if holding their other States, could spare either Ohio or New York and elect their President.

Opposition to McEnery Based Upon Principle.

Our opposition to the nomination of Gov. McEnery does not arise from personal opposition to the man, nor is there any one else whose nomination we specially desire. We think in this the great mass of the people and two thirds of the country press, at least of North Louisiana, concur with us.

It is a common thing in campaigns for the friends of aspirants to press the special claims of their favorite to support, but this is ordinarily done without acrimony, for the reason that mere personal favoritism hardly furnishes a just cause for factional division in the party. But it is admitted that the campaign in the midst of which we now are, has expended an exceptional amount of bitterness which some seem to think threatens the integrity of the party.

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Healthy People Sometimes Laugh

At the sufferings of dyspeptics, and say that their pains and distresses are imaginary. This is not meant for cruelty, but it is cruelty, all the same.

The man with a troublesome stomach often suffers quite as much as the man with a broken leg, but is far less likely to receive sympathy.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

MAJOR'S OFFICE, Lake Charles, La., Nov. 21, 1885. In accordance with a resolution of the Town Council of the town of Lake Charles, dated November 12, A. D., 1885, I hereby announce that Plan and Specifications for building Ryan street bridge, across Piton's coulee, can now be seen at my office.

NOTICE—Land Office at New Orleans.

La., Nov. 19, 1885.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of Court, at Lake Charles, La., on Saturday, December 20, 1885, viz: Louis Ryan, who made Homestead Entry No. 4878, for the N W 1/4 of S W 1/4 of S W 1/4 of S E 1/4 of T 11 S R 10 W.

NOTICE—Land Office at New Orleans.

La., Nov. 10, 1885.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of Court, at Lake Charles, La., on Saturday, December 20, 1885, viz: R. F. Bass, for Homestead Entry No. 7079, for the W 1/2 of N E 1/4 of S E 1/4 of N W 1/4 and N E 1/4 of S W 1/4 of T 11 S R 12 W, Louisiana Meridian.

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La., Oct. 29, 1885.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of Court, at Lake Charles, La., on Saturday, December 20, 1885, viz: Nelson Spikes, W. G. Berry, J. A. Whitman and J. M. Nealey, all of Calcasieu Parish, La.

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