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PARISH DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

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We are authorized to announce MR. B. J. HUTCHINS as candidate for Justice of the Peace for the Alex-

their eyes open. Whenever our oppo nents begin to talk of "Frauds" we may be morally certain that there is some rascality to fear. We never knew it to fail, They raise this cry to divert our attention from their own treacherous tactics. Look out for them !

COUNTERFEIT TICKETS!

The Opposition candidate for Sheriff, finding us unwilling to aid him in opposing the Democratic party, has had tickets, printed at the American office beaded the names of our nominees except the one for Sheriff, in place of which his own name, WM L. GRAY, is inserted. We have seen a copy of this counterfeit and we learn that other opposition candidates have had tickets printed with the same heading, each inserting his own name and leaving those of all the balance of the nominees. Other tickets have been in regular order except those of Dr. SMART and Dr. CLARK in place of which are two blank spaces above the name of J. C. WISE.

Democratic voters will do well to be on their guard. There has been but one Democratic ticket printed at our office and that will be readily recognized when it is seen. Our tickets will be at each tion. Precinct in abundance early on the gation, and thereby hash up and bide the enormous morning of the Election and may be found frauds which they have perpetrated during their there all day. Rapides expects every lease of power. The journals referred to are right in this, and we are glad to see Southern men at Democrat to do his duty-to get the right length becoming superior to the bygbear cry of ticket-to be sure that it is the right ticket and then to vote it and vote it entire. Our motto is "the Democratic nominees-the ticket and nothing but the ticket" Democratic candidates do not resort to splits and counterfeits.

On Monday, there are to be elected for the Alexandria Ward four Justices of the Peace and three Constables. The candidates are, for Justices-Gwinn Harris, R. Legras, E. C. Leckie, R. B. Lott, B. J.

Of these the first four are the present incombents. Mr. Hutchins presents his name for the first time.

For Coustables-John Clements, Jefferen McKinney, W. H. Chapman

PRESUMPTION OF THE THE INDEPENDENTS.

We have been told by opposition candidates that a great many Democrats are going to vote for them. This is told us by candidates who are still Know Nothings to all intents and purposes-just as DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET. much Know Nothings as they were in the early days of the wigwam, when one could not shake hands with a dozen neighbors without enduring a variety of strange grips and pinches. Some of them say that the whole "foreign population," (meaning American citizens who are such by preference and not by accident) are going to vote for them. We cannot credit such a story. It is a very great compliment for any Democrat to pay to any very intimate and highly esteemed friend who is not the regular nominee of the party, when he neglects to tell him that he can give his vote only to the nominees of his party. But there is something revolting and absurd in the idea that the very men whose rights were threatened by the followers of the dark-lantern-who were classed by them as seris and enemies-who were denied to have the right to vote when the laws gave it-who were excluded from office by all the oaths of the Know Nothing ritual-whose term of probation was sought to be lengthened the average life of man--who were subjected to every taunt and accusation by the light which shone in the North and rather than serious argument. which bigotry and intolerance could engraft upon the fruitful tree of political animosity-we say it is revolting and absord to be told that these men are going to vote for the bitterest and most active citizens and those born on the other side of the Atlantic? The Know Nothings. Who first proclaimed that a man not born on American soil was unfit to hold an American office? The Know Nothings. Who first assumed that more than twenty an adopted citizen could vote? The calumny upon the holy robes of the Catholic priesthood, slandered Catholic bishops, invaded Catholic schools with legislative visiting committees, ransacked Convents, circulated filthy lies about Catholic institutions, mocked the language of the most sacred rites in their drunken street brawls, and insulted even the funeral processions of deceased Catholics? The Know Nothings of the North and of the cities of the South. Who have caused the gutters of Louisville, Baltimore and New Orleans to run with the blood of honest laboring men Parisu Executive Democratic Committee. who were only attempting to exercise a people ought to maintain? The bullies and assassins in the employ of the Know as love Democracy less. Nothing party. While all these things citizens are going to vote for men who or of deductions from facts would produce the homes and firesides of our patrons. Democratic voters will do well to keep were the most active in the service of the little effect. Our purpose will be accounhave not yet repented of their own follies linal issue of the campaign shall serve to nor worn sack-cloth and ashes for the crimes of their party, who still cling to the lantern-lighted wigwam, the stealthily

'55, '56 and '57. It is with reluctance that we allude to this matter for we would forget, if we could, that, in this enlightened age and in this favored land, the spirit of bigotry, "DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET" containing all demagoguism and intolerance ever got so strong a hold upon the passio s and prejudices of so many thousands of the American people. It is a blot on our history that an entire political party should have adopted a creed so illiberal, so unjust and

concealed blue-book, the grips and signals,

the rallying calls and "slogan cries" of

THE PROPOSED UNION .- The National Era, a thorough Black Republican paper contains the following significant paragraph on which members of printed, headed as above, and containing the Southern Opposition party will do well to reflect. all the names of the Democratic nominees Political necesity sometimes make the haters of Democracy "acquainted with strange bed-fellows."

SENSIBLE.-The Rishmond Whig Nashville Banner, and Louisville Journal, the three leading organs of the Southern Opposition, concur in the Southern Opposition members assist the Sham De-mocracy in organizing the House. They insist that upon the election of an honest Opposition Speaker will depend the question whether we are to have a full investigation into the abuses of the Administra-Locofocoism, that their union with Northern Republicans in putting down corruption and misrule is evidence of their faithleseness to the South. "Democratic" demagogues have cheated and deluded the South with the cry of Abolitionism so

der that it ever frightened anybedy. The editor of the Rich nond Whig declares emphatically that, if a member of Congress, he would vote for any Northern Opposition man in preference to any Northern or Southern Democrat.

When the Riehmond Whig, the Nashville Banner, Louisville Journal, Henry Winter Davis, Botts, Bell and the other magnates of the Southern Opposition party, succeed in forming the proposed coalition with the free-soil party of the North, they will need a new name for the combination. We suggest that the anticipated bantling be called the perpetuated? Good God! what example are we Ossawatomie party, and that instead of recognizing giving to our children, and in the midst of what horrible corruption and de radation are they remembers by the old question: "Have you seen Sam," the password shall be: "Have you seen Brown?"

PRESERVE YOUR LAURELS.

In the ordinary course of publication

nowhere more brightly than in Rapides.

honored name of one of your own citizens. ter satisfied we shall be.

are fresh in the memory it is absurd and argumentation is past and that whatever hope to make the Democrat a valuable oath-bound and proscriptive faction who plished and our wishes gratified if our remind the Democrats of Alexandria of the honors won by them in past contests the recollection of the midnight conclave, and of their daty to win new ones now by becoming activity and union,

Bloody and Brutal Work.

The following sad picture of thug political conduct in New Orleans is from a late number of the Bee the oldest opposition paper in Louisiana, Bee, Itke the National Intelligencer, treats political affairs with gravity and sobriety at all times. When it complains there is full cause for complaint. Prior to the election, assassias commence their work and seek by every means of disorder to inspire terror among the voters. This has been our ondition for several weeks past. Marder succeeds murder, and our city appears to be in the power of band of miscrearts and assassins.

It is killing by day and killing by night. Nobody is safe. Last Friday one of our compositors leaves his work at half-past one in the afternoon and on turning the corner of the street he is assailed by a man with a brass knuckle, who strikes him a terrible blow on the back of his head. He is taken up bleeding and carried home in a dreadful condition The authorities are informed, witnesses are looked for, neighbors are questioned. Aobody has seen the attack, nobody has een the aggressor; and ye the assault was made in the most populous and central portion of the city in broad daylight. Verily, fear make those blind who do not wish to

We recounted, some time since, the attack upon Barry, a mate of a slap. The wounded man having recovered, is taken before the Recorder of the Taird District and contronted with the two in dividuals who, by means of the knite and the pistol nearly succeeded in taking away his life. He declares he is unable to recognize them, and they If the latter succeed in electing a Speaker, it are immediately set at liberty. In the face of such incredible transactions, what becomes o society, surrounded by so many perils!

Coffee houses are pillaged; the assailants walk the streets with knife m hand, and shoot down thou passers-by with revolvers. This is the way we prepare ourselves for an election. Is it susprising that this act, which should be t e grandest expres sion of popular government, is now execrated by peaceable and honest citizens? It suppresses in flect personal security by the agitation it provokes often, that the trick is becoming transparent to the dullest capacity. The scarcerow is nearly worn out, and, four or five years hence, people will wonder that it ever frightened anytical. heads split open if our vote should displease the bullies who are put there to watch,

Neither personal security nor political liberty is our lot. What, then, is left us? Alas! nothing, or next to nothing. The impotence or the com plicity of the authorities-for we can not undertake to define where the one ends and the other commences—threatens to plunge us into complete an-archy. The citizens feel themselves so little protected, that they have to look to their own security. Every one is compelled to be prepared for an attack, and to repel knite with knife ceiving those first impressions that are never effaced and which trace so fatally their path for the future!

RETROSPECTIVE.

Upon reviewing the course of the Demthough we have been duly diligent in May of conducting this sheet on our part last issue : presenting the issues of the present can- has been adhered to. We know of no dria and its immediate vicinity, for it is party nor our esteem for its prominent probable that before this number reaches members nor our personal relations with at them or at us have tempted or pro- false. It was in this town that the wigwam voked us to any course not sanctioned by party received its first check in the State, the rules of strict decorum and propriety. where it was most vigorously opposed, The candidates of the opposition, however where it has been uniformly beaten. In nominated or brought before the public, the stormy canvass of 1855 the zeal and have been treated by us with uniform activity of the Democracy of Rapides at- consideration. We have neither dragged tracted the attention and won the admi- private matters into a public discussion ration of Democrats throughout Louisiana, nor sought to attack their party by regaining for them the deserved distinction peating the idle personal gossip or neighof constituting "the model Democratic borhood tales which are put in circulation Parish." Firm as granite, true as steel, by the wanton or the mischievous. Withthey were the subject of gener I appro- in the latitude allowable in political dis bation by the Democratic press. When cussion we have engaged in the examinathe Democratic voice of the city was tion of the tenets, arguments, purposes stifled by the bloody hand of violence and and tendencies of the opposition with the when anxious men who cherished the greatest freedom. If we have sometimes well-being of the State looked to the been tempted to indulge slightly in satire Democrats of the country parishes to save we find a sufficient excuse in the groout to twenty-one years or more than half it from the polluting and degrading rule tesque absurdities which cur opponents of Know Nothingism, they were cheered have exhibited, inviting irony and ridicule

Thoroughly convinced of the useless In calculating in advance the result of ness of newspaper controversies, which the election in '55 and of subsequent con- are interesting only to a few individuals tests they always set down the Demo- on either side and seldom instructive even cratic vote of Rapides as a certain major- to their, which are oftener employed for of their persecutors. Who first drew the ity. When ambitious and disappointed the gratification of editorial vanity than odious line of distinction between native demagogues first raisd the banner of dis- for the good of readers, which generally organization it was well known and often descend from argument to personalities, declared among Democrats of other local- which too often leave unnecessary bitterities that the movement would find ness of feeling, which detract from the neither sympathy nor countenance here. dignity of the pres as much as they di-Will you suffer this well deserved repulminish its utility-we did not for four tation to be lost by indifference or inac-months allude to our cotemporary pub- won by his honest, pure and upright bearyears residence should be required before tivity? Will you forget the fierce strug- lished here except to acknowledge cour- ing in all the relations of life is the best gles and the glorious triumphs of former tesies and favors of a business character. possible vindication against the the insin-Know Nothings. Who cast the slime of years? Will you be deceived by the It was with reluctance that we at length actions or open charges made by his percunning appeals, boisterous clamors and began to notice and correct such of its sonal enemies. He is too well and too industriously circulated fabrications of frequent blunders and mistatements as widely known as a truthful, honorable and the leaders and organs of the opposition? we could not consistently with our duty sensible gentleman to be called upon to Democratic principles are now the same as a Democratic journalist, in the midst reply to the charges of petalant and noble ones for which you have long gal- of an important canvass, suffer to pass disappointed aspirants. If such a lantly contended. Democratic organiza- without contradiction and disproof. Until vindication were needed there is no tion is the same as that under which a a similar occasion arises in some future man in Louisiana to whom we would past generation of Democrats descended campaign we shall resume the plan on more cheerfully lend our aid and the use in compact columns upon cohorts of Fed- which we commenced and vary from it of our columns than to this estimable city eralists. You have a worthy list of can- only when strictly necessary. The longer zen and sterling Democrat. But we as didates at the head of which stands the It is before that necessity occurs the bet. sure him that the weak and wishy-washy

right which our Constitution and laws of our opponents nor in the character and columns will not again contain the proconfer and which a bold and honorable capacity of their candidates to merit our portion of pure'y political matter which approval, to win our sympathy or to make we have found necessary during the canvass now closing. By giving more room We know that the time for elaborate for other matters of general interest we

TOO BAD!

The most diabolical misrepresentations concerning the size, shape, color and orna mentation of the Democratic Ticket have been floating through the community since Saturday. The "Sketch" writer's miraculous fancy has teemed with more than its usual compliment of visions, and sundry "base outrages" have been on the eve of prepetration. It is incredible how much political feeling will increase the tendency to credulity in the minds of men. Upon no other hypothesis can we account for the even partial credit attached to the foolish stories that busybodies circulate.

It has been asserted, for instance, that our Ticket was to be adorned, by a woodcut, representing the conductor of the American in an unbecoming and an unusal position. Others have said it was to epresent a lean and weazen-faced animal bestride a lancet, pouring on all sides a which is labelled "Distilled Mischief." with looks of mingled aversion, horror, disgust and fear; but it keeps in its through the crowd, and chattering and whispering without pause. On opposite sides in its rear stand two men, near enough alike to be brothers, who are bidding each other a sorrowful adieu, for the path of the mischief-maker is distinctly marked between them.

Others have conjured up a more grotesque picture still-it is that of a creature standing on a pedestal which, on closer inspection, turns out to be a Pill Box. Its face is that of a pug-nosed snapping at something that looks like a shirt colar, which seems to be the object

Now we must express our astonishwill let them bear it too on Monday uest the gravest consequences,

The Hon. John R. Smart.

The following card, which explains itthe Democrar would not have appeared ocrat for the past six months it is please self, was received along with numerous disturbances at the polls in New Orleans again until after the election. But, al- ant to observe that the plan announced in other similar documents too late for our on Monday next as well as before and

vass, we do not feel disposed to let the single paragraph contained in our columns Rapides and Sabine have seen with surprise and campaign terminate without a little more which we have the slightest reason to re- mortification, the communication of W. B. Shelton, rious reprobates who are seen about the friendly talk with our Democratic readers, gret or the least desire to recall. Neither bearing date Oct. 8th, and to be found in the Am- streets or in the procession of the clubs and more especially with those of Alexan- the zealous advocacy of the cause of our erican of the 15th Oct., in which he charges, and attempts to prove by certain certificates that some of the statements contained in the Hon. John R. Smart's letter, to be found in the Democrat of the our distant subscribers the election will its candidates, nor any attacks levelled 28th Sept., and bearing date Sept. 13th, to be series of assaults and killings and new

Now, this is to certify that we have carefully read the said letters of the said Smart, and that we believe every statement it contained to be virtually

W. C. Faircloth, Sen., T. B. Stephens, Matthew Stephens, Isiah Kirk. G. A. Smith, L. Cooper, John Cooper, J. E. Cooper, J. P Eddleman Addison Miller,

J. S. Duncan, Thomas J. Gill, P. L. Gill, John Gill, A. S. Williams, D. W. Krufman, Robt. W. Martin T. L. Thompson Mark McAlpin.

We have before us seven other certificates signed by the neighbors of Mr. Shel ton, who are gentlemen of indisputable veracity, which corroborate all the statements made by Mr. Smart in his letter as published in the Democrat of Sept. 28th. We do not deem it necessary to spread them before our readers at length except in the event of a reiteration of the groundless charges contained in the late letter of Mr. Shelton to the Red River American. They substantiate the above card by specific details plainly and carefully pre-

There seems to us to be no necessity for documents to refute the aspersions cast upon the Hon John R. Smart by Mr. Shelton in a letter which was in many respects unfit for publication and which disgusted a great number even of his political friends. The high reputation which this distinguished citizen of Sabine has letter of Mr. Shelton cannot injure him in What more can we desire? There is Until the opening of the Presidential the slightest degree nor alter the opinions surely nothing in the declared purposes campaign seven months bence our of any man in Louisiana whose esteem is worth a pinch of snuff,

Know Nothing Outrage.

On the evening of Wednesday Oct. . Opposed to the spoils-hunters is the 26th a large procession of the regula slauderous to say that our foreign-born we might now present in the way of facts paper to all and a welcome messenger to Know Nothing party was passing the corner of Orleans and Royal streets, New Orleans, in the vicinity of the St. Lou-Cathedral. There were bands of musitorches and men with fantastic gaimounted on horseback. Several gentle man were sitting on the benches in from of the Orleans Theatre and a few steprom the corner. As the procession ap proached they went to the corner to see it. Among them were three young men of respectable character, Mr. Butler, Mr. Emanuel Blasco and their friend whose name is not given. They were members of the Independent American Club opposed to the politics of those who formed the procession. As the latter passed, Mr. Butler in spite of the remoustrances of his two triends waved his cap and repeated several times "Horra for Ben Harrison." What subsequently occurred is related by the Courier of Friday, after a careful investigation, as follows :

The men in the procession, some of whom knew they passed him. One of the horsemen of the red cap club at the head of the procession turned back, and looking at Butler as if to recognize him, shook blackish looking liquid out of a vial, his whip at him, saying, "I'll fix you to marrow! He then rode on, and just as he wheeled his horse around, a man of small stature left the ranks, ross-Men and women are fleeing its presence, ing just behind the horse, and walking up to Butler, said something which our informant did not hear distinctly, but which appeared to be a threat and an order to hush. Butler answered by giving course, scattering the baleful liquid another cheer, and the man, who was then some four steps from him, drew a pistol and shot at him. This first shot was followed by three or four others n rapid succession; our informant could not say by whom they were fired, but he is positive that the first shot was fired at Butler by the small man he had seen leave the ranks. The bystanders scattered in every direction.

Mr. Blasco, who was standing alongside of Mr Butler, seeing his life in danger, drew his revolver and discharged the five barrels at his antagnists after which he retreated in Orleans street; he was pursued and ran into an ovster saloon just as the keeper was closing the door. He received a last shot, which took effect in his coat collar, as he srepped on the very threshold. His clothing was pierced in four different places, one of the balls causing a slight wound and a more severe contu-Mr. Butler escaped unburt, as also a friend of Mr. Blasco, who had discharged one shot in his fice, foaming with rage, and barking and defense. They were pursued, but at no very great on the score of ability, may well have been distance. We learn that five persons from the ranks of the procession were wounded, but none

Mayor Stith was at the head of the red cap club which contained several of the ment at these "base outrages." The Demost notorious thugs and assassins whose Thursday night, met on Gironde street a party of mocratic Ticket has no representation of services have disgraced the Know Noth- four or five men. Not liking their looks he started any thing similar to either of these ing party of New Orleans for years. The to run and was shot down. The policeman about scenes, and we can only say to those who Mayor is daly castigated for his unwar-subsequently found him, had him taken to the pistol. Is this condition of social disorder to be have used well concocted (as they perpetuated? Good God! what example are we the later that the unfortunate man died thought) plans to get a look at it, that and for giving countenance to the brutalithey will see it soon enough. The people ty exhibited. This matter may lead to sins are not known, and pursue quiedy their careet.

The Election in New Orleans.

There is reason to apprehend fearful after the election. From the tone of the We, the undersigned citizens of the Parishes of city press, from the records of numerous assassinations, from the numbers of notoof the Know Nothing party, it is evident that no ordinary animosity prevails there. Every mail brings us accounts of a new proofs of the want on the part of the police, of both the will and the power to protect the victims or to bring their assailants to justice. It is even alleged by conservative and respectable journals that some of the worst of the thugs are on the Mayor's secret police or special body-guard and the fact that, in a recent procession of the Know Nothings, a band of men clothed in Indian costume calling themselves the Winnebago Club were headed by Mayor Stith who knew some of them to be guilty of crimes deserving the gallows, appears to corroborate the allegation. The leaders of the regular city wig-

wams constitute a league of office-seekers and office holders' The annual expenditures of the city amount to nearly two and a half millions of dollars of which immense sum it is probable that more than half goes as profits into the pockets of office-holders and the various agents, attornies, contractors and employees who all belong to the same faction, This magnificent fund is at once the strongest motive for retaining the control of the city, and the source of ample pecuniary means for electioneering purposes, If enables the ruling faction to avail themselves of every purchasable assistance including that of black-legs and bullies. For such an election as that which is to take place on Monday, involving offices whose annual salaries and perquisites in the aggregate amount to nearly a mile tion of dollars, it would be easy for the candidates and their friends to raise & purse of one hundred thousand dollars and tals they have surely done if they consider their opponents sufficiently numerous and determined to cause them to fear the defeat of the K. N. ticket. The breaking up of ballot-boxes, the parades of armed and disguised bravos on the morning of election-day, the destruction of Democratic ticket-tables, the brase knackling of voters, the expulsion of Denocratic challengers) the bloody issee where resistance has been offered, the countless assassinations which have occurred, and all the features of the reign of terror which has marked the elections if New Orleans for years past, all indicate but too plainly the base uses to which such a fund will be put.

Reform Party which is composed chiefly of those who have heretofore acted with the Americans and who still assume the ame of the Independent American purly. his party will have the support of all who favor the restoration of honesty and meity in the government of the city and perish, including, no doubt, many Democrats. They have able candidates and are ably sustained by their speakers and the conservative papers. Many of them have endured slights and injuries at the hands of the regular wigwamites which they are now more than willing to re, quite. They number in their ranks many high-spirited young men with whose rights the regular K. N.'s cannot safely trifle. There are others among them who would soom to turn upon their beels to save their lives and who would die with with their ballots in their hands rather than be driven from the polls. We are inclined to think they will be organized for mutual protection and for the maintenance of their rights. Perhaps they them, answered Batler's cheers with groans as may be armed as well as organized on the day of the election and we believe it very probable that they will be ready to deal with assassins in a summary manner. The usual preliminary Know Nothing outrages may deter so many from attempting to vote as to leave the K. N.'s. no occasion to let their bullies loose upon voters at all precincts; but if there is any chance of a large reform vote there will be riot and bloodshed such as the city has never seen.

> DID NOT WRITE IT .- The Kentucky Statesman corrects the report that Vice president Breckinridge wrote the article on Territorial Sovereignty in review of the Harper's Magazine article written by Judge Douglas. "Mr. Breckinridge, says the Statesman, has made no communisation whatever to this paper, and never saw the article in question until it appeared in these columns. The communicaiton was highly creditable to the writer, and upascribed to one older in years and of maturer in-

> ONE MORE VICTIM .- A house and sign painter named Clark, who was quietly going home on of his wound last evening. As in all other cases, we have had to report of late, the midulght asse-[S. O. Courier, O.t. 29.