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PARISH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Parish Democratic Executive Committee met at the Courthouse, in Covington, on Monday, the 6th day of October, pursuant to call.

There being a quorum present, the Committee proceeded to organize.

Mr. Jesse M. Abney was elected President, and Mr. W. B. Cook, Secretary.

The minutes of the Convention held in Covington on the 1st of September were read and approved.

Mr. G. H. Gause offered the following:

Be it resolved, That the action of the Parish Convention, which met Sept. 1st, 1879, in electing delegates to the District Nominating Convention, to meet in Amite City, on the 25th of October, be and the same is hereby ratified.

Resolved, That the nominations for parish officers be by convention, on the basis of equal representation, by electing three delegates from each ward.

Resolved, That the Parish Convention be held at the Courthouse, in the town of Covington, on Monday, the 10th day of November, 1879.

Resolved, That the Democratic voters of the parish be notified, by the member from their respective wards, to hold an election for three delegates to the Parish Nominating Convention, on Saturday, the 8th day of November, 1879.

Adopted.
The Committee then adjourned, subject to call.

J. M. ABNEY, President.
W. B. COOK, Secretary.

THE BATON ROUGE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Convention assembled in Baton Rouge last Monday and continued in session three days. Hon. L. A. Wiltz was nominated for Governor on the first ballot. Considerable enthusiasm was manifested. Gov. Wiltz delivered a very able address to the Convention, and was followed by Gen. F. N. Ogden, Hon. E. John Ellis, and others. The following nominations were made:

For Governor—Hon. L. A. Wiltz, of Orleans.

For Lieutenant Governor—S. D. McEnery, of Ouachita.

For Attorney General—J. C. Egan, of Claiborne.

For Secretary of State—W. A. Strong, of Winn.

For Auditor—Allen Jumel, of Iberville.

For Superintendent of Public Education—E. H. Fay, of East Feliciana.

On motion of H. W. Ogden, three cheers were then given for Wiltz, McEnery and the rest of the ticket, with the promise that it should be elected by 50,000 majority.

The following is
The Platform
adopted by the Convention:

Resolved, As heretofore declared, that our designation as Democratic party of Louisiana is significant of the power of the whole body of the people, and is used to express our determination to secure to every citizen of the State the equal rights guaranteed to him by the Constitution of the United States and its amendments, and the laws made in pursuance thereof, and to promote reform in every department of the State government.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of Louisiana has no other object in view than to preserve for the present generation and for posterity the National Government, according to the spirit of the framers; to protect and guard the rights of the States as determined by the Constitution and the decisions of the courts of justice; to promote and advance popular education; to enforce a proper subordination of the military power to civil authority; to protect the purity of elections and encourage and develop the material resources of our people.

Resolved, That the improvement of the Mississippi river, the building of levees on the banks, so as to afford ease and safety for commerce, and a channel for navigation, as well as to protect the valley from inundation, and the keeping open of the mouth of the river, is a work of national importance, evidently warranted by a just construction of article 1, section 8, of the constitution of the United States, which confers upon Congress the right to regulate commerce.

Resolved, That the union and co-operation of all citizens of Louisiana is earnestly invited, in order to secure the adoption of the constitution now offered for their consideration, and to prove by a great and overwhelming popular vote that the people of the State have exercised their rightful power to ordain and establish for themselves an organic instrument of government, and to do away with forever and consign to oblivion the constitution of 1876 as a relic of wrong and military oppression.

Resolved, That the counting of the electoral vote of Louisiana in favor of Rutherford B. Hayes for President of the United States, and Wm. A. Wheeler for Vice President, was notoriously a fraud on popular rights, effected by evil machinations, the plots and conspiracies of the late odious Radical State administration and their aiders and abettors at home and abroad; and that the Demo-

cratic party of Louisiana, appealing to the case as now published by authority, arraign the authors of this great crime against liberty and the constitution, for the just condemnation of their fellow-citizens.

Resolved, That the Democrats of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States are entitled to the grateful acknowledgments of the country for the zeal, fidelity and courage shown by them in securing the passage of laws by which the interference of the military at the polls has been prohibited, and the trial by jury in the Federal court made impartial.

Resolved, That the rights, the liberties, the interests and honor of Louisiana demand that her rightfully chosen Senator in Congress, Henry M. Spofford, be at last recognized and duly seated.

Resolved, That Francis T. Nicholls, now Governor of Louisiana, is entitled to the grateful acknowledgments of his fellow-citizens for his patriotism and public services, his devotion to Louisiana, and his success in effecting the redemption of her liberties.

THAT PROPOSED RAILROAD.

EDITOR ST. TAMMANY FARMER:

Many inquiries are afloat relative to the much-talked-of railroad that it is proposed to build between Mandeville and Covington—whether it is really "a matter of business enterprise," or only "moonshine;" and if seriously contemplated, will it be a narrow or a broad gauge road? and whether Covington or Abita Springs will be the northern terminus?

We have at present only "Madam Rumor's" gossip to rely on, but we presume the road will be narrow gauge, that being the cheapest in construction and the most economical in operation; unless, indeed, the parties who contemplate building the road could purchase some of the iron and rolling stock of that once famous "Old Lake End" or Ponchartrain Railway Company.

These matters are only food for speculation at present, but we hope soon to hear of something definite on the subject.

That this project has its enemies I am aware; so every good thing has had from the beginning, and it will always be so; but if this railway is built it will be a competition against the river, thus enabling the public to travel cheaply and quickly.

None of us "across the lake people" are likely to forget soon the extortion of the monopoly that endured so long on the river, until the New Camelia changed owners, and although such a state of things will probably never exist again, yet a wholesome competition will insure quick and reasonable transportation.

A. L. R.

The mass meeting at Amite City, September 27, which elected delegates to the State, Senatorial and Judicial Conventions, instructed its delegates to the latter Convention to make no nomination for District Judge or District Attorney.—*New Orleans Democrat.*

Our big city cotemporary has made a slight mistake, "for once in its life." We have the Amite Independent, of the 4th inst., and by referring to its columns we find that Mr. Kent offered a resolution instructing the delegates from Tangipahoa parish "to make no nomination for District Judge or District Attorney," but on motion of Dr. Reid, the resolution was tabled.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DEMOCRATIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

[Livingstonian.]

The District Committee of the Sixth Judicial and Eleventh Senatorial Districts assembled at the Courthouse, in Amite City, on Saturday, Sept. 13, pursuant to adjournment.

The committee was called to order by the President, Dr. C. Reid, and Chas. E. Lea was selected as Secretary.

The roll of the parishes was called, when St. Tammany answered through Jas. O. Poole; Livingston through B. T. Milican, proxy of J. F. Robertson; St. Helena, through Chas. E. Lea; Tangipahoa, through Dr. C. Reid and Wm. McMichael, proxy of J. Cooper; Washington, through John Wood.

Mr. Poole offered the following:

Resolved, That the nominations for Senator, District Judge and District Attorney be made at the same time, and that the provisions adopted by this committee providing for the selection of candidates be applicable for all of said offices, unless otherwise provided.

Adopted.
The same gentleman offered the following:

Resolved, That each parish in the Sixth Judicial and Eleventh Senatorial Districts shall be entitled to three votes, and that a Convention be held at the Courthouse in Amite City, on Saturday, the 18th day of October, 1879, to nominate officers for said Districts.

An amendment was offered to adopt the apportionment of the State Central Committee. After discussion the amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. Lea offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the Parish Central Committee of the Democratic Conservative party of the parishes of St. Helena, St. Tammany, Washington, Livingston and Tangipahoa be requested to call a primary election of the Democratic and Conservative voters of their respective parishes, for the purpose of selecting a candidate for State Senator. That said election shall be held prior to the 25th day of October, and that said parishes, with the exception of St. Helena, be requested, at the same time, to hold an election for candidates for District Judge and District Attorney—the date of said election to be fixed by the Parish Committee of each parish.

Resolved further, That the Parish Central Committees be requested to make due return of the votes cast at said election to this committee in the town of Amite, on Saturday, the 25th day of October, when said votes shall be, by this committee, couped; and the persons receiving the highest number of votes for the respective offices shall be declared the nominees of the party.

The substitute was discussed by the committee, and the candidates present were invited to participate. Messrs. Duncan, Thompson and Wright addressed the committee.

The substitute was defeated.

Mr. Lea offered the following amendment to the original resolution:

Strike out "officers for said Districts," and insert "a ticket for the proposed Eighteenth Judicial and Seventeenth Senatorial Districts," and that the Parish Central Committees of the respective parishes

be requested to take such action as will secure representation in the Convention in accordance with this resolution.

Adopted.
Mr. Lea offered to amend by striking out "18th" and inserting "25th" of October.

Adopted.
The resolution as amended was adopted, and reads as follows:

Resolved, That each parish in the Sixth Judicial and Eleventh Senatorial Districts shall be entitled to three votes, and that a Convention be held at the Courthouse in Amite City, on Saturday, the 25th day of October, 1879, to nominate a ticket for the proposed Eighteenth Judicial and Seventeenth Senatorial Districts, and that the Parish Central Committees of the respective parishes be respectfully requested to take such action as will secure representation in the Convention, in accordance with this resolution.

On motion, the Committee adjourned.

C. REID, President.
CHAS. E. LEA, Secretary.

MEETING OF THE REPUBLICAN PARISH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

MADISONVILLE, Sept. 27, 1879.

The meeting of the Republican Parish Executive Committee was called to order at 12 o'clock m., by Gustave Dupart, the Secretary, by reason of the absence of both the President and Vice President of the Committee.

S. P. Baham was elected President pro tem.

A quorum being present, the following resolutions were offered by Gustave Dupart, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a convention of the Republican party of St. Tammany parish is hereby called to meet at Bayou LaCombe, on Saturday, the 11th day of October, 1879, for the purpose of electing a delegate to the State Convention; to reorganize the Parish Executive Committee, and for other purposes of importance.

Resolved further, That the several wards be entitled to the same apportionment as in 1878, as follows:

Covington, 7 delegates; Madisonville, 4; Mandeville, 4; Bonfouca, 4; Bayou LaCombe, 3; Pearl River, 2; Bogue Chitto, 1; Second Ward, 2. Total, 27.

W. T. Washington offered the following:

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be sent to the Presidents of each of the Ward Clubs in the parish.

Resolved, That a copy be also sent to the New Orleans Observer and ST. TAMMANY FARMER.

Adopted.
On motion of Gustave Dupart, the committee adjourned, subject to call.

S. P. BAHAM,
GUSTAVE DUPART, Secretary.

STATE ELECTIONS will be held in Ohio and Iowa, next Tuesday, October 14, for State officers and the Legislature. We predict that Ohio will go Democratic and Iowa Republican.

A newspaper in the inside coat pocket saved a man's life in New York from an assassin's bullet. He was a man, too, who had always paid up promptly for his paper. Now is the time to subscribe for the FARMER.