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TENDENCY TO A PARLIAMENTARY GOVERNMENT.

The revolutionary policy of Congress would hold out a much fairer prospect if it promised only to land the country, where Great Britain has long been, under the qualified dominion of a parliamentary assembly.

As we have already said, it may be that the time has come when this momentous change in our system of republican government has become desirable. It may be that the checks and balances of that intricate system are no longer required.

That the revolutionary leaders in Congress do not believe that the people call for a system in which Congress would be omnipotent, is evident from the fact that they have refused to submit to popular vote the question of making this or any other fundamental change in government.

But, in any event, this is certain, that no triumph of Congress over the present Constitution, or over popular opposition, can give to the United States a government corresponding to the parliamentary system of England.

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VERY LIKE A WHALE.—The king of the Fejee Islands, according to the telegraphic report, has sent a whale's tooth to the president of the United States, which he is to keep if the treaty be ratified.

Carlyle is said to be studying English.

THE ALABAMA ELECTION.

It is now quite certain that the election in Alabama will be conducted under the reconstruction law as it stands at present—that is to say, a majority of all the registered voters must be cast, or the Constitution is defeated.

Thus the course of the Montgomery meeting, in advising abstention, as the policy to be pursued by the white people, is abundantly justified. Even under Pope's fraudulent registry, and the disfranchisement of a very large proportion of the white citizens, it is believed that the radical vanguard and mendicant carpet-baggers cannot manage to command enough votes to carry through their scheme of plunder and robbery.

Perhaps 2000 would be a large estimate—at all events it would be anything but flattering to Alabama to compute that there are more than 2000 persons in the State willing to undergo the humiliation and disgrace of voting for the Black Crook Constitution.

The bill will be reported to the House the next time the committee is called, and will doubtless pass without any dissenting vote.

STeam CONNECTION DIRECT.—The commercial people of this city will be highly gratified with the news that the New Orleans and Mobile propeller line of steamers has been resumed, and that connections will be regularly made on the Alabama river as high up as Montgomery.

THE IBERVILLE SOUTH SAYS THE GREAT HICKEY LOVE IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING COMPLETION. The propeller, of fifty feet base and six feet in height, was completed some days ago, and laborers are now engaged in adding twenty-five feet to the base and four feet to the height of the levee already constructed.

CONCERNING "HOLLERING" IN MEETING, Aunt Judy, an old colored woman, said to one of her sisters, "Taint de rale grace, honey; taint de sure glory. You hollers too loud. When you gets de dove in your heart and de Lamb on your bosom, de Lord as de you was in de stable, de Virgin and de blessed Virgin had lent you de sleepin' baby to hold."

A Connecticut infant was so fortunate as to be born with three noses. Would do for a congressional smelling contest.

The Rights of Naturalized Citizens.

The committee on foreign affairs of the House on the 23d, agreed upon the following bill, which will be reported by Gen. Banks:

"SECTION 1. Be it enacted, etc. That all naturalized citizens of the United States, while in foreign States, shall be entitled to and receive from this government the same protection of person and property that is accorded to native-born citizens in like situation and circumstances; and the president is empowered to use the influence and authority of this government in all just endeavors to secure the recognition by other governments of the principles of public law which have been insisted upon and maintained by the government of the United States in regard to the rights of naturalized citizens; provided, always, that no citizen, either before or after naturalization, who is guilty of crime against the laws of any foreign State, committed within its jurisdiction, or of desertion from actual service in the army or navy of any such State, or who shall have acquired naturalization by misrepresentation or fraud, as to residence or otherwise, or who, by treason or other crime against the United States, shall have forfeited, or who shall have renounced his rights as a naturalized citizen, shall be entitled to the protection contemplated by this act."

"SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That whenever it shall be duly made known to the president that any naturalized citizen of the United States has been arrested or detained by any government, or that any native-born citizen shall have been arrested and detained without charge of crime, or committed within the jurisdiction of such State, and while release shall have been unreasonably delayed or refused, the president shall be, and is hereby empowered, by way of indemnity and reparation, to order the arrest and to detain in custody any subject of such foreign government, who may be found within the jurisdiction of the United States, and who shall have been arrested and detained without charge of crime, or committed within the jurisdiction of such State, and while release shall have been unreasonably delayed or refused, give information to Congress of such proceedings of indemnity and reparation."

"SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That if any naturalized citizen of the United States shall return to his native country with intent to resume his domicile therein, or shall leave the United States with the intention of permanent residence in any foreign State, or shall engage as an army or navy belligerent in any foreign war or service, such naturalized citizen shall not be entitled to the interposition of this government in his behalf, under the provisions of this act."

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