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OUR PLATFORM.

Let our laws and our institutions speak not of white men, not of red men, not of black men, not of men of any complexion; but like the laws of God—the Ten Commandments and the Lord's Prayer—let them speak of the people.—Horace Maynard.

Three Solid Planks for the Republican A.P. REBUILDING OF THE LAVERS BY NATURAL ABOLITION OF THE COTTON TAX.

"THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE, SHALL NOT PERISH FROM THE EARTH."

THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.—The committee on credentials which met last evening had then received the credentials of eighty-five delegates.

The committee on permanent organization, which met last evening, agreed to propose the following gentlemen as candidates for president and secretary: For president, J. Hale Sypher, Charles Smith, Rufus Waples; for secretary, George W. Mader and William Vigers.

The election of these officers will be by ballot.

The convention will meet at the Mechanics' Institute, in the representatives' hall, at twelve o'clock this morning and not at Economy hall.

MILITARY ITEMS.—Special Order No. 64, of the date of June 8, from headquarters fifth military district, contains the following paragraphs:

Captain Charles Barnard, assistant quartermaster, in charge of ceremonial operations in this military district, will at once proceed to make a thorough personal inspection of national cemeteries in the district of Texas.

Reuben A. Blair is hereby appointed register of voters in the parish of Assumption, Louisiana, in place of Joseph Dupuy.

MILITARY PERSONAL.—General W. S. Harney, one of the oldest officers in the United States army, and whose name is indissolubly linked with the history of our country, arrived in town last week, and is stopping at the St. Charles hotel.

First Appointment by Governor Flanders.—Nicholas C. Sneath, esq., who has served as private secretary to the governor since March, 1864, has been appointed to the same position by Governor Flanders.

THE CONVENTION TO-DAY—ITS PLACE OF MEETING.—We are requested to call the attention of delegates to the notice in another column, announcing that the Republican State convention will re-assemble the morning at twelve o'clock at the representatives hall of the Mechanics' Institute.

REPUBLICAN CLUB IN CALDWELL PARISH.—At Columbia, in Caldwell parish, a Republican club of about 250 members has been organized. J. F. Varner is president.

THE REMOVAL OF GOVERNOR WELLS.—The special Washington correspondent of the New York Herald sends to that paper the following gossip about the action of General Sheridan in removing Governor Wells.

General Sheridan is believed to be guilty of disobedience of orders in removing Governor Wells after having received the dispatch from Secretary Stanton, directing him to suspend all further action in the case of the levee commissioners.

On the other hand we find the following in the late northern papers:

A special Washington dispatch says: The story going in some parts that General Grant and Secretary Stanton have been in consultation about matters, and that Grant advised the reprimand of Sheridan is pure fiction.

Grant went to West Point Monday, and only returned this afternoon. What his views are may perhaps be inferred from his remarks at headquarters Sheridan's action is heartily indorsed.

General Grant is still considering whether under the circumstances it is necessary to command him to remove civil officers.

DRAWING THE ENEMY'S FIRE.

General Longstreet as a soldier proved himself abundantly able to fight his own battles. And the Blasket, which affects to sneer at him for not being a politician, is unable to destroy the effect of the plain, manly, and straightforward letter in which he demonstrates the truth of his assertions that there should be but one party in the country, and that the interests of every Southern man will be best subserved by affiliating with the Republican organization.

In his anxiety to lessen the effect which this declaration of General Longstreet will have upon the mind of every one who reads it, it forgets its usual caution and makes an admission which, when followed to its legitimate conclusion, not only proves the perfect truth of General Longstreet's arguments, but unveils and discloses to the light the wicked purpose of those who seek to controvert them. What this purpose of the unrepentant rebels has long been suspected, but we did not expect that it would be so soon confessed by one of their own mouthpieces.

General Longstreet's battery shelled the woods where these people were lying in ambush; he drew their fire and enabled us to see just what their position. And it is simply this—that they failed to accomplish by war they now seek to accomplish by political stratagem.

Never were the secret plans of a hidden and treacherous enemy more effectually and opportunely exposed. Never were masked batteries more skillfully uncovered. A politician General Longstreet may not be; but his strategy has proved too much for the genius of Camp Street. The time for the Blasket to show its hand had been kept quiet until after the elections. If General Longstreet never does anything else to serve the Republican party, he deserves thanks for this compelling its foes to disclose their purpose and to come out from behind the ambush in which they have thus far lurked.

What is it, then, that the Blasket has confessed? Contravening General Longstreet's argument that order cannot be organized so long as opposition is made to the principles that were declared triumphant by the issue of the war, it asserts that the war settled nothing except that the Union could not be divided. The great issues that brought on the war are yet undecided. The arbitrament of the sword did not settle them. Let us quote its own words, "the defeated party only staked the practicability of dissolving the Union; the result involved only an abandonment of that purpose." Nothing else is given up. We go back to the condition we were in in 1860. All that we claimed then, except the right to go out of the Union, we claim now, and will labor to accomplish it.

When the conquered people of the South, it goes on to say, "were reinstated in their rights, they became invested with the full dignity and independence of American citizens," and when we obtain our own State governments again we can and will re-establish all those institutions that we are now unlawfully deprived of. The result of the war only decided that we should remain in the Union. It has not decided on what terms we shall remain. That is a matter for our own decision.

General Longstreet's idea that the war decided anything else, is fallacious. It did not decide there should be no more slavery. We will re-establish it if we please—virtually, if not in name. It did not decide that one class of citizens should no longer have rights that another class may not possess. We will build again the partition wall between ourselves and the negroes. It did not decide that all men should be equal in the eyes of the law. We will re-enact our former ordinances that recognize and perpetuate inequality.

Could anything be more plain? Could anything be more opportune than this confession of the schemes entertained by the men of whom the Blasket is the organ? Daily are its columns filled with appeals to Southern men to register their names as voters, and now we see for what purpose. Not to honestly accept the situation in which the result of the war has placed them, and to unite with the Republican party in reconstructing the State upon the basis of equal rights and universal suffrage, but of voting against a convention to frame a new constitution, and postponing the work of reconstruction until, as they vainly hope, a Democratic Congress may repeal the military bill and permit them to come back under the old pro-slavery constitution. That this is the programme of these men is daily becoming more and more apparent.

The Louisville Democrat the other day boldly announced it. After urging Southern men to register and then vote down the conventions, it says: "The only answer to this is, that to defeat the convention is to perpetuate military rule. But is not the rule of white men, soldiers though they be, preferable to that of negroes? To be in a condition to vote is not to surrender anything, and implies not the slightest assent to the reconstruction scheme. If, under Mr. Stanbery's register, the men of the Blasket class can register in sufficient number to control the election of a majority of the delegates to the convention, they might vote for one, and, when it was called together, employ it to draw up a constitution that would exclude all but white men from all the rights of citizenship; but the more probable decision would be to vote against any convention and keep the State in her present condition."

When General Longstreet declared there should be but one party, he might have gone a step further and said there was but one party. The Republican party is the only organization in the Union that dares to avow its principles. There is not a Democratic or Conservative journal in the land that dares openly to attack one of the principles of the Republican party as unconstitutionally defined in its platform of 1846—the last official declaration of its principles. Even the Blasket will not do it. What one of them will do to controvert? That platform counts eleven planks; that of them will be the Blasket split upon? Here, they are: 1. Do you want to reclaim the millions of acres of the finest lands that "er the sun shone on" west of the Mississippi and save the millions you have already invested in their improvement and your lives rebuilt and maintained forever? Then vote with the Republican party. They alone can do this.

2. Do you want education and Christianity more widely diffused throughout the South, and the school-house and the church to crown the top of every hill, and nestle in every lonely valley of your favored land? Then vote with the Republican party, and your wishes will be gratified, for this party is for progress in all that elevates the condition of man, and believes in the true doctrine of moulding our institutions and constitutions, to meet the demands of the age.

3. Do you want to see the integrity of the Union and the Union restored to all its pristine

strength and prosperity, with not a star obscured nor a stripe erased from her glorious flag, a bright and flashing beacon to all the nations, and an example of universal freedom, governed by the will of the people and controlled by law? Then vote with the Republican Union party and you will see all these fulfilled, if there is virtue and patriotism enough in it (and we cannot doubt it) to keep down the unruly and unwholesome elements which seek to control, and, if permitted, will blight all these high aspirations and honest purposes of the party.

THE CITY SURVEYORS DEPARTMENT. This important department of the city government is one of those things that demand immediate attention by the proper powers. The draining machines are silent and still. So far as we can learn none of them have been running with any regularity for months, and lately all connected with them appear to be off on a grand holiday. Were it not for the regularity with which all hands draw their pay, from the surveyor down, no one would suppose that the department was any longer in existence.

COLORED CITIZENS, BEWARE OF ALLIANCES WITH DEMOCRATS. Mr. Charles O'Connor, the brains of the Democratic party, has, according to his opinion, re-established slavery in the United States.

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RESTORATION OF LOYAL JUDGES IN TEXAS. The following order, issued by General Sheridan yesterday, comes quite up to the standard of the loyal people of the district to which it applies.

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