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Republican Majority in the Next House.

A Washington special to the New York *Commercial Advertiser*, November 22, says:

According to the latest reliable information received here, the next House will stand, when first called to order, 148 Republicans and 145 Democrats, three Republican majority to start with. The *National Republican*, of this city, published the following tabular statement last Monday, but later advices are yet more encouraging:

	Forty-fourth Congress. Rep.	Dem.	Forty-fifth Congress. Rep.	Dem.
Alabama	2	6	0	8
Arkansas	0	4	0	4
California	1	3	2	2
Connecticut	1	3	1	3
Delaware	0	1	0	1
Florida	1	1	1	1
Georgia	0	9	0	9
Illinois	6	13	13	6
Indiana	5	8	9	4
Iowa	8	1	9	0
Kansas	2	1	3	0
Kentucky	1	9	0	10
Louisiana	2	4	3	3
Maine	5	0	5	0
Maryland	0	6	0	6
Massachusetts	6	5	10	1
Michigan	6	3	7	2
Minnesota	3	0	3	0
Mississippi	2	4	0	6
Missouri	0	13	4	9
Nebraska	1	0	1	0
Nevada	1	0	1	0
New Hampshire	2	1	3	0
New Jersey	2	5	3	4
New York	15	18	16	17
North Carolina	1	7	1	7
Ohio	7	13	12	8
Oregon	0	1	0	1
Pennsylvania	9	18	19	8
Rhode Island	2	0	2	0
South Carolina	5	0	5	0
Tennessee	1	9	2	8
Texas	0	6	0	6
Vermont	3	0	3	0
Virginia	1	8	1	8
West Virginia	0	3	0	3
Wisconsin	5	3	6	2
Colorado	0	0	1	0
Total	106	190	147	146

It will be observed that the *National Republican* concedes three Democrats from Louisiana, but Senator West says that the sixth district, heretofore thought to have gone against us, has really elected a Republican, which gives us four Representatives from that State. This will give us three majority in the organization of the House, if New Hampshire elects Republicans next March, as she surely will. The election will be the first held under President Hayes' administration, and is sure to go right. The State gave an aggregate Republican majority of 467 at the last congressional election, in a vote of 78,885, but on account of a Republican split in the first and second districts, Democrats were elected. In the first district Jones, Democrat, received 13,967 votes against exactly the same number cast for two opposing Republican candidates. In the second district we had ninety-four majority, but a split sent S. N. Bell, Democrat, to the House. In the third district 373 Republican majority elected Hon. Henry W. Blair, the only Republican Representative from the State in the present Congress.

The Republican dissensions in the first and second districts have been healed, and they are sure to elect the right men for the Forty-fifth Congress. Besides this we are entitled to two Republicans from Alabama, one each from Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and Mississippi, ten in all, which are not included in the above table, but which the Democrats will not be able to count out, as they are endeavoring to do. At least ten of the Republican contestants will get their seats, which will increase the Republican majority in the House to twenty-three.

Don't miss it. It draws Dec. 4.
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Now is the time to get rich.
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The Virtuous Democracy Shocked.

Virtuous Democratic papers have been plunged in a perturbed state of mind over the business of Mr. Kenner, one of the members of the Louisiana Returning Board. The Cincinnati *Enquirer* has been especially torn up over the matter. A dispatch in that paper states Mr. Kenner to be the keeper of "a clubhouse and saloon." This is dreadful. But what shall be said of Mr. John Morrissey, the leader of Mr. Tilden's reform canvass, who is the proprietor of at least two of the worst sink holes of hell on the continent, in the shape of his fashionable gambling-houses? And, also, what is the opinion of the *Enquirer* of Mr. Jake Aug, at whose "clubhouse" the Cincinnati Democracy hold most of their caucuses and conventions?—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Tweed's First Night in Jail.

A New York dispatch to the National Associated Press says:

Boss Tweed passed a restless night in his old quarters in Ludlow Street Jail, and was feeling badly to-day. His old physician, Dr. Sherman, was with him and remained about half an hour, and sent out for medicine, which he administered. In answer to inquiries the Doctor stated that Mr. Tweed was very much shaken up by his voyage, and that the utmost freedom from excitement would be necessary for a few days. Boss was visited this morning by his son, but he remained only a short time. Boss got all the morning papers, read them eagerly, and smiled while perusing the narative of his wanderings and final arrival at the jail. The excitement around the jail has entirely abated.

Hurry up. Hurry up.
Hurry up. Hurry up.
Only a few days left.
Only a few days left.
Only a few days left.
Extra drawing. Extra drawing.
Extra drawing. Extra drawing.
Comes off on Monday.
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LAWS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

AN ACT

Fixing the fees of the clerks of the district courts throughout the State (the parish of Orleans excepted), and providing the manner of collecting the same.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the clerks of the several district courts throughout the State (the parish of Orleans excepted) shall be entitled to demand and receive the following fees of office:

For indorsing, registering and filing petition, ten cents.

For indorsing, registering and filing answers, ten cents.

For copying all instruments of writing not otherwise provided for, each one hundred words, fifteen cents.

For issuing citation, with seal and certificate, fifty cents.

For copy of citation, with seal and certificate, forty cents.

For issuing attachment, and seal, seventy-five cents.

For copy of attachment, and seal, forty cents.

For issuing fieri facias, with seal, one dollar.

For issuing order of seizure, with seal, one dollar.

For issuing order of sequestration, with seal, one dollar.

For issuing writ of certiorari, with seal, seventy-five cents.

For issuing injunction, with seal, seventy-five cents.

For issuing writs of habeas corpus, with seal, and the proceedings thereon, no charge shall be made by the clerk or sheriff, except in civil cases.

For issuing writ of mandamus, with seal, seventy-five cents.

For issuing writ of distringas, with seal, seventy-five cents.

For issuing subpena *duces tecum*, with seal, seventy-five cents.

For issuing subpenas for witnesses, with seal, fifteen cents.

For copy of subpena, with seal and certificate, fifteen cents.

For issuing writ of possession, with seal, fifty cents.

For each order of partition, with seal, fifty cents.

For issuing notice of judgment, with seal, twenty-five cents.

For every continuance, ten cents.

For issuing citation of appeal, with seal and certificate, fifty cents.

For copy of citation, with seal and certificate, forty cents.

For issuing attachment to bring person into court, with seal, forty cents.

For issuing venire facias in each case in which a jury may be prayed for in the district court, to be charged but once, and that upon filing the petition, thirty-five cents.

For swearing jury, twenty-five cents.

For swearing each witness, five cents.

For entering final judgment, and no matter how many parties, to be charged but once in each case, seventy-five cents.

For every interlocutory judgment, no matter how many parties, thirty cents.

For each order of court entered on the minutes of the court, not otherwise provided for, fifteen cents.

For copies of the same, with seal and certificate, twenty-five cents.

For filing and registering returns on all writs, ten cents.

For setting cause for trial and calling the same, ten cents.

For affixing certificate and seal of court to all other records or documents other than those herein specified, thirty cents.

For notice to creditors of insolvents to attend meetings, each, ten cents.

For taking and filing bonds, in all cases where required by law, fifty cents.

For recording and registering deeds of conveyance for property sold and transferred by sheriff, for each hundred words, fifteen cents.

For entering satisfaction of judgment, seventy-five cents.

For issuing commissions to take testimony of witnesses, or answers to interrogatories, with seal, one dollar.

For recording the petition, answer and judgment, in each case, fifteen cents for every one hundred words.

For every confession of judgment where no papers are issued by the clerk, for all his services in such cases, seventy-five cents, and no more shall be allowed. However, in all cases he shall be allowed fifteen cents per hundred words for recording the petition and other papers.

For making out the papers in each confirmation or appointment of a tutor, curator, administrator or testamentary executor, one dollar and fifty cents.

For copy of the same, with certificate and seal, fifty cents.

For each writ or decree ordering or assessing estimate, fifty cents.

For affixing seals on any act, when required by law, twenty-five cents.

For probate of will, including the proces verbal, fifty cents.

For recording all acts, for each one hundred words, fifteen cents.

For examining and swearing each witness, twenty cents.

For every order, twenty-five cents.

For each audience, including family meetings, one dollar.

For appointment of appraisers, seventy-five cents.

For taking bond in all cases, one dollar.

For copy of all acts, for each one hundred words, fifteen cents.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the several clerks of the district courts throughout the State (the parish of Orleans excepted) shall be entitled to demand and receive for all services, on the application of any foreigner to become a citizen, including copy, certificate and seal, one dollar.

For all services in administering oath of allegiance, recording evidence of residence, etc., of any foreigner becoming naturalized, including copy, certificate and seal, one dollar and fifty cents.

For issuing marriage license, two dollars.

For taking down testimony on the trial of any suit, fifteen cents for every one hundred words.

For every order entered on the minutes, discontinuing or dismissing any suit, ten cents.

For making a transcript of record on appeals, ten cents for every one hundred words.

For certificate and seal to transcript of record, fifty cents.

For filing any paper in any suit not otherwise provided for, five cents.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That the sheriff or constable serving notice, subpena or attachment on witnesses to be examined before the clerk of the court shall be entitled to charge the same fees and mileage allowed by the fee bill for serving subpenas, and the clerk taking such deposition shall be allowed to charge and receive the following fees, and no more, to wit:

For issuing each notice to parties, with seal, twenty-five cents, including copy of the same.

For issuing each subpena or attachment, with seal, twenty-five cents, including copy of the same.

For swearing each witness, twenty cents.

For writing each caption and deposition of each witness, and certificate for each one hundred words, twenty cents.

For affixing seal, twenty-five cents.

Which fees shall be charged like other costs, with the costs of the suit in which they are taken.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That the clerks of courts of this State (the parish of Orleans excepted) shall be entitled to charge the following fees, and no more, in all criminal cases:

For filing affidavit and registering same, ten cents.

For filing appearance bond, ten cents.

For filing testimony, ten cents.

For filing information, ten cents.

Orders bringing accused into court and remanding from court to prison, in each case, for one or more accused, twenty-five cents.

For arraignment of one or more accused and entering the several pleas, in each case, fifty cents.

For notice of trial to principal, twenty-five cents.

For subpenas to witnesses, copies and seal, fifteen cents.

For attachments to bring witnesses, twenty-five cents.

For calling, presenting, swearing and impanneling petit jury, in each case, fifty cents.

For copy of indictment or information and jury list, to be served on accused when required by law, in each case, one dollar.

For swearing witnesses, five cents.

For reading indictments or information and plea to jury, twenty-five cents.

For receiving, reading, recording and filing indictment of grand jury, fifty cents.

For notice of arraignment to principals and security, twenty-five cents.

For issuing capias, fifty cents.

For entering sentence of judgment, fifty cents.

For copy of sentence with certificate and seal, fifty cents.

For calling, forfeiting and entering judgment on appearance bond, one dollar.

For notice of judgment, twenty-five cents.

For calling and continuance in each case, ten cents.

For each and every order of court entered on the minutes, not otherwise provided for, ten cents.

For copies of same and certificate with seal, fifteen cents.

For filing return on all writs, ten cents.

For each commitment, fifty cents.

For each subpena *duces tecum*, fifty cents.

For entering nolle prosequi and order discharging prisoner, fifty cents.

For filing plea and abatement of special plea in bar, or plea in *quasi* information or indictment, ten cents.

For appointment of counsel and copy of same, fifty cents.

For motion asking for a new trial or in arrest of judgment, and copy, twenty-five cents.

For transcript of appeals to the Supreme Court, for each hundred words, fifteen cents.

For taking affidavit and swearing to the same, twenty-five cents.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That clerks of courts shall have the same remedies for collection of costs in criminal cases that they have in civil suits, and shall be liable to all the penalties for overcharges and extortion as in civil cases; that the clerks of court shall, whenever any person has been convicted in any criminal prosecution, only be entitled to collect any of the foregoing costs from such person, and not from the State or parish; but in all cases of acquittal, or whenever a nolle prosequi has been entered by the district attorney or the district attorney pro tempore, said costs must be paid by the police jury of the parish, on the approval of the district judge.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That the clerks and sheriffs are required to keep constantly posted up in their offices copies of this fee bill, certified by the judge; and on failure to comply with this section they shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars per week for the benefit of the parish, to be recovered by the police jury before any court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That whenever any clerk of court shall retire from office, he shall cause to be filed in the case and with the proceedings in which he may be entitled to costs, within thirty days, specific bills of his fees; and in default thereof or if any item should be overcharged, the whole of the costs in the case in which the overcharge is made shall be forfeited, and such clerk forever barred from collecting the same; and in the event of the death of the clerk, his legal representative must have this requirement attended to, on paying of the forfeiture herein stipulated, and he shall be responsible to the estate for any loss resulting from such neglect or forfeiture; that the costs of the clerk, witnesses' fees, cost of taking depositions and copies of acts used on the trial, and all other costs, which the court may legally allow in any case, shall be taxed as costs.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, etc., That before any clerk shall file any suit in the district or parish court, the party applying to file such suit shall deposit with the clerk ten dollars, and the filing of the suit shall be evidence that such sum has been paid and deposited with the clerk; such sums shall be held by the clerk to pay the costs of clerk and sheriff in such cases, the clerk retaining one half, and the other half to be paid over to the sheriff as fast as his fees accrue until the amount to which he is entitled is exhausted; and the clerk shall be liable under his bond for the proper appropriation of said amount. The clerks and sheriffs will be entitled to collect the residue of their costs in every case, every six months, that is, all the costs due them on the first day of January of each year shall be considred on that day due and collectible, and all the costs due on the first day of July of each year shall be then due and collectible. The costs shall be collected as follows: The clerk or sheriff shall make out a bill of their respective costs due and collectible, and shall swear to the correctness of the same, and that the same is due; and such cost bills shall be presented to the judge of the court in which the case was filed or is pending, who shall examine the same and, if he shall find them correct, he shall approve the same, and on which cost bill, so approved, the clerk shall issue execution against the principal and securities for costs, and the same shall be collectible by the sheriff as on other executions, and the security for costs shall not be entitled to the plea of discussion. Execution shall not be issued in any such bill of costs until ten days after such bill of costs shall have been demanded by the sheriff or his deputy of the principal or security, which demand shall be made to appear by a return to that effect on said bill of costs, made and signed by the sheriff or his deputy; provided, that in case where there has been written confession of judgment, signed at or before the filing of the suit, the party filing the same shall not be required to deposit more than the costs for the confession of judgment and recording proceedings, as is provided for by this act; and provided further, that if at or before the time of filing the suit there has been a written waiver of citation and petition, the party filing the suit shall be required to deposit only five dollars, to be disposed of as required in the first part of this section; and, provided further, that if any part of the money so deposited remain after paying the taxed costs of suit accrued at the date of rendering final judgment in the case, the same shall be returned to the party originally depositing it; and, provided further, that whenever the said deposit shall be exhausted in the payment of taxed costs, the clerk may require a further deposit of ten dollars, or shall be entitled to demand and receive the costs as they shall accrue.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws, or parts of laws, contrary to or in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed, and that this act take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) E. D. ESTILETTE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) C. C. ANTOINE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved, November 21, 1876.
(Signed) WM. P. KELLOGG,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy.
F. G. LLORENS,
Assistant Secretary of State.

No. 98.

AN ACT

To incorporate the town of Amite City, in the parish of Tangipahoa, to define its limits, to provide for the election of mayor and councilmen, to prescribe their duties and powers, and to provide for the government of the same.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the inhabitants of the town of Amite City, in the parish of Tangipahoa, be and they are hereby created and made a body corporate and politic in law, with perpetual succession, to have and to be known by the name and style of Corporation of Amite City, and by that name they and their successors shall be capable of suing and being sued in all courts of competent jurisdiction, shall or may have an official seal and may alter the same at pleasure, shall have the right of acquiring property and of conveying property whether real or personal, for the use and benefit of said corporation and shall have the power of raising money by taxation, on the property situated within the limits of said corporation, and by licenses on trades, professions and occupations pursued or carried on within the limits of said corporation, said money thus raised to be applied to the use, benefit and good government of said corporation or town of Amite City, and to provide for and maintain a competent police force for the same.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the limits and boundaries of the said corporation or town of Amite City shall be and are hereby fixed and established as follows, to wit: The northern boundary line shall commence at a point in the middle of what is known as Railroad avenue, as per plan of said town, on the line dividing the north half of section number thirty-three from the south half of said section number thirty-three in township number three south, range number seven east, and from said point on said avenue shall run one half mile east, and one half mile west at right angles to the middle of said Railroad avenue; the southern boundary line shall commence at a point in the middle of said Railroad avenue on the line dividing the north half section number nine from the south half of said section number nine in said township number four south, of range number seven east, and shall run from said last named point on said avenue one half mile east, and one half mile west at right angles to the middle of said avenue; the eastern boundary line shall run parallel with the middle of said Railroad avenue from the eastern end of the northern boundary line to the eastern end of the southern boundary line, and the western boundary line shall run parallel with the middle of said Railroad avenue from the western end of the northern boundary line to the western end of the southern boundary line.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That the officers of said corporation shall consist of a mayor and five councilmen, who shall be elected by the qualified voters of said town, and shall hold their offices for a period of one year, and one assessor, one treasurer, one secretary of the council, and police officers, not to exceed two in number, unless in cases of emergency the mayor or council should deem a larger number necessary; that said officers, viz: secretary, treasurer, assessor and police officers, be elected or chosen annually by the council, and that any one of them may be removed for sufficient cause by a majority of the council.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That the first election for mayor and councilmen shall be held within fifteen days after the promulgation of this act by any justice of the peace residing in said town, and two commissioners to be appointed by said justice of the peace, said commissioners to be residents of said town; that all subsequent elections for mayor and councilmen shall be held by a justice of the peace and two commissioners of said town one year after the day of the first election; and should said election day fall on Sunday or a legal holiday, then the same shall be held on the day following said Sunday or legal holiday; and should there be no justice of the peace residing in the town, then the said election shall be held by the nearest justice of the peace in the parish of Tangipahoa.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That the mayor and councilmen of said corporation before entering upon the discharge of their duties, shall take and subscribe the oath of office required of all persons holding office under the constitution and laws of this State; said oaths shall be made out and written in triplicate, one copy of which shall be deposited in the office of said mayor, one copy shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the district court in said parish, and the third copy shall be forwarded to the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That the mayor of said town shall be ex officio justice of the peace, and as such shall be and is hereby vested with all power and authority necessary to carry out the provisions of this act of incorporation, and to execute and enforce the laws, ordinances and regulations of the same, and shall hold his municipal court at such times as he may think proper. He shall preside at all meetings of the town council, and shall call a meeting thereof whenever he may deem it necessary. He shall execute or cause to be enforced all laws, regulations and ordinances legally passed by the council. He shall have the right to vote on questions and matters before the council, only when there is a tie vote in that body. He shall sign officially all laws and ordinances passed by the council, and the same shall be attested by the secretary; provided, said mayor may veto any law or ordinance passed, when in his opinion the interests of the corporation require it; provided further, that any law or ordinance that may be vetoed by the mayor may be passed over said veto by a vote of four out of the five councilmen elected, and in that event said law or ordinance need not receive the signature of the mayor. In the absence of the mayor temporarily the oldest member of the council shall preside and perform the duties of mayor, and in case of the death or resignation of said mayor, or his refusal to act, the board of councilmen by a majority vote of a quorum present shall chose a mayor, who shall continue in office until at the next election for officers of said town his successor shall have been elected and inducted into office.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That the mayor shall have full and exclusive power to try and determine all violations and offenses against the laws, rules, ordinances and by-laws of said corporation, and on the conviction of any person or persons shall have power to impose and inflict punishments as hereinafter provided. He shall have power, and it is hereby made his duty, to quell and suppress all riots, routs, unlawful assemblies, affrays and tumults, or cause the same to be done through the proper police officers, and shall have power to cause to be arrested and brought before him for trial all offenders against the laws, ordinances and by-laws of said corporation. All persons accused and brought to trial in pursuance of the provisions of this act of incorporation, or by virtue of any law, regulation or ordinance of said corporation, shall be entitled to compulsory process, allowed by State laws, to compel the attendance of witnesses in their defense. The corporation shall also have power to compel the attendance of witnesses against all defendants; and in either case the mayor shall issue and enforce the necessary process.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, etc., That whenever any person shall be tried and convicted for any offense against the laws, rules, by-laws, ordinances or regulations of said corporation, the mayor shall sentence said person to pay a fine not to exceed the sum of fifty dollars and costs of trial, and in default of payment of said fine and costs, the person so convicted shall be imprisoned in the jail of the parish of Tangipahoa, or in the jail of the corporation, for a period not to exceed ten days.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, etc., That the mayor shall cause the laws, by-laws and ordinances of said corporation to be published in some newspaper in said town, if there be one, and if there be none then said laws, ordinances, etc., shall be promulgated by posting written copies thereof on the door of the city hall; provided, that said publication and promulgation shall be done in accordance with such rules and under such regulations as may be established by the town council.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, etc., That the councilmen of said corporation as a board, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, shall possess the following powers and shall perform the following duties to wit: To levy and collect a tax upon all property, real and personal, taxable under the laws of the State, owned, situated and being within the limits of said town or city, which tax shall not be imposed and collected more than once in each year, and which shall never exceed the annual tax of the parish of Tangipahoa; to levy and collect a license tax upon all trades, professions, stores, shops, hotels, public boarding houses, markets, coffeehouses, billiard tables, all places for the retail of spirituous liquors, wine, beer or other beverages, and all other places and occupations upon which a State license is levied; to prohibit houses of ill fame and disorderly houses, and provide adequate punishment for the same; to establish, regulate cemeteries; to pass all needful laws and regulations relative to streets, landings, crossings, bridges, sidewalks, banquettes, roads, markets, slaughterhouses, nuisances, grog shops and drinking houses of every description, and to pass all needful laws and regulations relative to the improvement, police and good government of said town; to pass laws necessary to suppress and inflict punishment for riots, routs, unlawful or disorderly assemblies, affrays and tumults; also to punish disorderly persons or those disturbing the peace, to provide and adopt the the penalties necessary to enforce the powers conferred by this section and necessary to enforce the laws, regulations and ordinances passed and enacted pursuant to the provisions of this act of incorporation; provided that in no case shall said penalties be other than fine or imprisonment in the parish or municipal jail; and provided, further, that said fine shall in no case exceed fifty dollars and costs, nor shall said imprisonment be for a longer term than ten days.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, etc., That the Council shall prescribe the duties and powers of the assessor, secretary, treasurer, and police officers, shall direct the manner of filling vacancies in said offices; shall designate the time, manner and place of payment and collection of city taxes, shall provide adequate penalties for the non-payment of licenses and taxes, and shall make all laws necessary to sustain the corporate government of Amite City not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State and this act of incorporation.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, etc., That the mayor, councilmen, and all other officers provided for in this act shall be qualified electors of the State and shall reside within the limits of said corporation.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, etc., That the written returns of the election for mayor and councilmen of said city, said returns to be sworn to, shall be made by the justice of the peace and commissioners to the board of councilmen, who shall be judges of the election and qualifications of the members.

SEC. 14. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage, and that all laws or parts of laws, so far as they conflict with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

(Signed) E. D. ESTILETTE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) C. C. ANTOINE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved September 20, 1876
(Signed) WM. P. KELLOGG,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
F. G. LLORENS,
Assistant Secretary of State.

No. 97.

AN ACT

To charter the North Louisiana Railroad Company: defining its objects, duties, powers and exemptions; authorizing the corporation to purchase connecting railroads or to sell its own railroad, and authorizing the corporation to issue bonds of the corporation.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That John C. Moncure, W. H. Boffinger, James G. Richardson, J. B. Guthrie, A. H. Leonard, John Robertson, G. L. Smith, Joseph Boisseau; William Robson, W. H. Elstner, Aleck Boarman, B. C. White, J. M. Foster, W. S. Haven, N. W. Murphy, John J. Horan, A. B. Levisee, T. C. Standifer, Adam Riser, F. M. McCormick, L. M. Kidd, O. H. Brewster, D. T. Head, George W. Tompkins, W. P. Ford, L. W. Baker, W. Handricks, B. M. Johnson, Benjamin Morey, W. Jasper Blackburn, John Young, J. L. Roche, James Crowell, M. Carr, John C. Woodville, L. B. Hadley, A. B. George, T. B. Neal, J. S. Roan, A. G. Simonston, G. L. Gaskins, W. C. Broadwell and G. W. Barnard, and their associates and successors, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of the "North Louisiana Railroad Company," and shall be known as such, and have perpetual succession, for the purpose of maintaining and operating a railroad and a magnetic telegraph on the line thereof from Shreveport to Monroe, with a branch thereof commencing at some suitable point on the main line, and running via Homer to the Arkansas line in the direction of Fulton, on Red river, in the State of Arkansas, and said corporation is also vested with authority to construct, purchase or operate a road between Monroe and a point on the Mississippi river opposite or near Vicksburg. Said corportion may sue and be sued, have a common seal, enact and repeal by-laws, and do and perform all acts, and exercise all rights and privileges by law incident to corporations. The domicil of said corporation is fixed at the city of Shreveport.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the capital stock of said company is fixed at two million dollars, divided into twenty thousand shares, of one hundred dollars each. The capital stock of the company may be increased, by a vote of four-fifths of the stock, to an amount not exceeding four million dollars.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That the officers, engineers, firemen and other employes of said company shall be exempt from jury duty and from military duty, except in case of invasion or insurrection.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That said company shall have the right of way through all lands owned by the State of Louisiana, to the width of one hundred and fifty feet on each side of their roadbed, and shall have the right to cut and use timber and such materials on the lands of the State, as said company may see fit for six miles on each side of said road; provided, that said railroad shall be commenced within one year after the passage of this act, and shall be finished in five years after the commencement of work thereon.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That within six months after the passage of this act the first seven herein named corporators, or a majority of them, shall call a meeting, by ten days' publication in the daily papers of Shrevepert and New Orleans, of the incorporators at the domicile of the company, who shall fix a time and place to open books of subscription, determine the amount and terms of payment of subscriptions to the stock, fix a time to close the books of subscription and call a meeting of the stockholders or subscribers, and organize the company by holding an election for a board of directors from among the stockholders. The board of directors thus elected shall hold their offices for one year, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for every share of his capital stock, and shall have the right to vote in person or by proxy.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That the business of the corporation shall be conducted at its domicile by a board of seven directors, in whom the corporate powers of this company shall be vested, who shall be stockholders; five of whom shall constitute a quorum to transact business. A vancancy in the board of directors during the period for which they were elected shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining directors.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, etc., That the second election of directors shall be held at the domicile of the company, on the fourth Monday of October of the year following the first election, and shall hold their offices for one year from they day of their election, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and each succeeding election for directors shall be held in like manner and for a like period.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, etc., That within ten days after a board of directors shall have been elected, they shall elect one of their number president, and may elect a vice president from among themselves to act as president in the absence of the president. The board of directors shall elect a treasurer and secretary; such other officers as may be deemed necessary shall be appointed by the president. The directors shall fix the amount of salary and compensation of its officers, and the amount of security to be by them given, and enact by-laws and regulations to govern them in their various duties.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, etc., That the president of the company is the officer designated upon whom legal process may be made, and such service may be made in person or by leaving the same at the office of the company, at its domicile, with any of its officers.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said company shall have the right, and power is hereby conferred upon it, to acquire by purchase or otherwise any railroad now built, or which may hereafter be built, between Monroe and the Mississippi river, at or near a point opposite Vicksburg, in the State of Mississippi, and also any railroad now built, or which may be built, between Shreveport and the Texas State line, or terminus of the Texas Pacific railroad, in which purchase they may acquire the rights, privileges, appurtenances, property, and franchises of the corporations or companies from whom they may purchase, and any railroad company or corporation which has built, or hereafter may build a railroad between Monroe and the Mississippi river at a point opposite or near Vicksburg, and any railroad company or corporation that has built or may hereafter build a railroad between Shreveport and the Texas State line, the terminus of the Texas Pacific railroad, shall be authorized and they and each of them are hereby empowered to bargain, sell and deliver to said North Louisiana Railroad Company herein incorporated, all its property, rights, credits, and franchises of all and every description and character on such terms as may be agreed upon by both parties, so as to invest the said North Louisiana Railroad Company with a full title to the same, and said company is also invested with authority to construct or operate roads to and from said points herein named.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, etc., That the president shall have the power to call special meetings of the stockholders whenever in his judgment the interests of the company may require such meeting or meetings.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, etc., That the company shall have the right to issue bonds of said company to an amount not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars per mile of road to be constructed by said company, and of road that may be acquired by said company already constructed, and to secure the payment of the interest and principal of the same when due, shall be empowered to execute a first mortgage on all property and franchises; and for the purpose contemplated herein the length of the main road to be constructed is fixed at two hundred miles, and the length of the branch road from main line via Homer to Arkansas State line is fixed at forty-five miles.

SEC. 14 Be it further enacted, etc., That the North Louisiana Railroad Company shall have perpetual existence, but said corporation may be dissolved by a vote of four-fifths of the whole stock, in which case the president and directors shall be created commissioners to liquidate the affairs of said company; and the company may, by a vote of four-fifths of the whole stock, sell, alienate, transfer and deliver to any other railroad corporation or company created by a charter of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana or of the Congress of the United States, all their property, rights and franchises created by this charter or which said North Louisiana Railroad Company may acquire, as hereinbefore provided, on such term and condition as may be agreed on by the board of directors of this company, thereto authorized by vote of four-fifths of the stockholders in amount.

(Signed) E. D. ESTILETTE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) C. C. ANTOINE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved April 20, 1876.
(Signed) WM. P. KELLOGG,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
P. G. DESLONDE,
Secretary of State.

No. 79.

AN ACT

To amend article six hundred and forty-four of the Code of Practice; to repeal all laws contrary to or in conflict with this act and all laws on the same subject matter; the amendment of article six hundred and forty-four of the Code of Practice; to fix penalties for the violation of this act, and to fix the limits of this act and the interpretation to be given to it.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That article six hundred and forty-four of the Code of Practice be so amended as to read as follows: "The sheriff or constable can not seize the linen and clothes belonging to the debtor or his wife, nor his bed, bedding or bedstead, nor those of his family, nor his arms and military accoutrements, nor the tools and instruments, and books, and sewing machines necessary for the exercise of his or her calling, trade or profession by which he or she makes a living, nor shall he in any case seize the rights of personal servitude, of use and habitation, of usufruct to the estate of a minor child, nor the income of dotal property, nor money due for the salary of an officer, nor laborers' wages, nor the cooking stove and utensils of the said stove, nor the plates, dishes, knives and forks and spoons, nor the dining table and dining chairs, nor wash tubs, nor smoothing irons and ironing furnaces, nor family portraits belonging to the debtor, nor the musical instruments played on or practiced on by any member of the family.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That any person offending against the provisions of this act, or who shall by any artifice or subterfuge induce or procure another to sign away, by contract or otherwise, any of the rights which he or she may have under this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined in a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or both, at the discretion of the court.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws and parts of laws conflicting with this act or contrary to any of its provisions and all laws on the same subject matter the amendment of article six hundred and forty-four of the Code of Practice, be and are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That the repealing clause of this act shall not be construed or interpreted so as to affect the exemption of the homestead, the widows' one thousand dollars, n