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The Louisianian.

In the endeavor to establish another Republican journal in New Orleans, the proprietors of the LOUISIANIAN, propose to fill a necessity which has been long, and sometimes painfully—felt to exist. In the transition state of our people, in their struggling efforts to attain that position in the Body Politic, which we conceive to be their due, it is regarded that much information, guidance, encouragement, counsel and reproof have been lost, in consequence of the lack of a medium, through which these deficiencies might be supplied. We shall strive to make the LOUISIANIAN a *desideratum* in these respects.

POLICY.

As our motto indicates, the LOUISIANIAN shall be "*Republican at all times and under all circumstances*" We shall advocate the security and enjoyment of broad civil liberty, the absolute equality of all men before the law, and an impartial distribution of honor and patronage to all who merit them.

Desirous of allaying animosities, of obliterating the memory of the bitter past, of promoting harmony and union among all classes and between all interests, we shall advocate the removal of all political disabilities, foster kindness and forbearance, where malignity and resentment reigned, and seek for fairness and justice where wrong and oppression prevailed. Thus united in our aims and objects, we shall conserve our best interests, elevate our noble State, to an enviable position among her sister States, by the development of her illimitable resources, and secure the full benefits of the mighty changes in the history and condition of the people and the Country.

Believing that there can be no true liberty without the supremacy of law, we shall urge a strict and undiscriminating administration of justice.

TAXATION.

We shall support the doctrine of an equitable division of taxation among all classes, a faithful collection of the revenues, economy in the expenditures, conformably with the exigencies of the State or Country and the discharge of every legitimate obligation.

EDUCATION.

We shall sustain the carrying out of the provisions of the act establishing our common school system, and urge as a paramount duty the education of our youth, as vitally connected with their own enlightenment, and the security and stability of a Republican Government.

FINAL.

By a generous, manly, independent, and judicious conduct, we shall strive to rescue our paper, from an ephemeral, and temporary existence, and establish it upon a basis, that if we cannot "command," we shall at all events "deserve" success.

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POETRY.

FORGIVE AND FORGET.

BY TUPPER.

When streams of unkindness, as bitter as gall,
Bubble up from the heart to the tongue,
And meekness is writhing in torment and thrall,
By the hands of ingratitude wrung:
In the heat of injustice, unswept and unfair,
While the anguish is festering yet,
None, none but an angel of God can declare
I now can forgive and forget.

But if the bad spirit is chased from the heart,
And the lips are in penitence steeped,
With the wrong so repented, the wrath will depart,
Though scorn on injustice were heaped;
For the best compensation is paid for all ill,
When the cheek with contrition is wet,
And every one feels it is possible still
At once to forgive and forget.

To forget? It is hard for a man with a mind,
However his heart may forgive,
To blot out all perils and dangers behind,
And but for the future to live.
Then how shall it be? for, at every turn,
Recollection the spirit will fret,
And the ashes of injury smoulder and burn,
Though we strive to forgive and forget.

O, hearken! my tongue shall the riddle unseal,
And mind shall be partner with heart,
While thee to thyself I bid conscience reveal,
And show thee how evil thou art:
Remember thy follies, thy sins, and thy crimes,
How vast is that infinite debt!
Yet mercy hath seven by seventy times
Been swift to forgive and forget.

Brood not on insults or injuries old,
For thou art injurious too;
Count not the sum till the total is told,
For thou art unkind and untrue;
And if all thy harms are forgotten, forgiven,
Now mercy with justice is met;
O, who would not gladly take lessons from heaven,
And learn to forgive and forget?

Yes, yes, let a man, when his enemy weeps,
Be quick to receive him a friend;
For thus on his head in kindness he heaps
Hot coals, to refind and amend:
And hearts that are Christian more easily yearn,
As a nurse on her innocent pet,
Over lips that, once bitter, to penitence turn,
And whisper, forgive and forget.

The Art of Kissing.

People will kiss, yet one in a hundred knows how to extract bliss from lovely lips, no more than they know how to make diamonds from charcoal. And yet it is easy—at least forms! This little item is not alone for young beginners, but for the many who go at it like hunting coons or selling corn. First know whom you are to kiss. Don't make a mistake, although mistakes may be good. Don't jump up like a trout for a fly, and smack a woman on the neck, or on the ear, or on the cornor of the forehead, on the end of the nose, or slop over on her waterfall or bonnet-ribbon, in haste to get through.

The gentlemen should be a little the tallest. He should have a clean face, a kind eye, and a mouth full of expression instead of tobacco. Don't kiss everything, including nasty little dogs, male or female, Don't sit down to it. Stand up. Need not be anxious to get in a crowd. Two persons are plenty to corner and catch a kiss. More persons spoil the sport. Stand firm. It won't hurt any after you are used to it. Take the left hand of the lady in your right hand. Let your hat go to—any place out of the way! Throw the left hand gently over the shoulder of the lady, and let the hand fall down upon the right side, towards the belt. Don't be in a hurry. Draw her gently to your living heart.

Her head will fall lightly upon your shoulder, and a handsome shoulder strap it makes! Don't be in a hurry; send a little life down your left arm, and let it know its business. Her left hand is in your right. Let there be expression to that—not like the grip of a vice, but a gentle clasp, full of electricity thought and respect. Don't be in a hurry, her head lies carelessly on your shoulder! You are nearly heart to heart. Look down into her half closed eyes. Gentley yet manfully press her to your bosom. Stand firm and Providence will give you strength for the ordeal! Be brave but do not be in a hurry.

Her lips almost open! Lean gently forward with your head, not the body. Take good aim. The lips meet—the eyes close—the heart opens—the soul rides the storm—trouble and sorrow of life [don't be in a hurry!)—heaven opens before,—the world shoots from under your feet as a meteor flashes across the evening sky (don't be afraid!)—the nerves dance before the just-created altar of love as zephyrs dance with the dew-trimmed flowers—the heart forgets its bitterness—and the art of kissing is learned!—*Ex.*

THE NICKNAMES OF THE STATES.—Alabama, lizards; Arkansas, toothpicks; California, gold hunters; Colorado, rovers; Connecticut, wooden nutmegs; Delaware, muskrats; Florida, fly up the creeks; Georgia, buzzards; Illinois, suckers; Indiana, hoosiers; Iowa, hawk-eyes; Kansas, jayhawkers; Kentucky, corn-crackers; Louisiana, creoles; Maine, foxes; Maryland, craw thumpers; Michigan, wolverines; Minnesota, gophers Mississippi, tadpoles; Missouri, pukes; Nebraska, bug eaters; Nevada, sage hens; New Hampshire, granite boys; New Jersey, blues or clam catchers; New York, knickerbockers; North Carolina, tar boilers and tuckoes; Ohio, buckeyes: Oregon, webfeet and hard cases, Pennsylvania, pennanites and leatherheads; Rhode Island, gun flints; South Carolina, weasels; Tennesee, whelps; Texas, beefheads; Vermont green mountain boys; Virginia, beadles; Wisconsin, badgers.

RATIFICATION MEETING IN NATCHITOCHES.

HALL OF CENTRAL REPUBLICAN CLUB, Natchitoches, La., August 19, 1871.

The leading and influential members of the Republican party from the different wards met on the evening of the nineteenth, at the hall of the Central club, for the purpose of ascertaining a true history of the late convention held in the city of New Orleans, August 9, 1871.

The meeting being called to order by Joseph Austin, the president, the proceedings of the Turner Hall convention and that at the Customhouse were read by John G. Lewis, secretary, to the large concourse of Republicans present.

Hons. Raford Blunt and H. Raby, delegates to the late convention held in the city of New Orleans, August 9, 1871, addressed the meeting at length relative to the action of the two conventions, presenting a true history of the atrocities committed by the Lowell-Packard bolters and disorganizers. At the close of the speeches, the following resolutions were read and presented to the club:

Resolved, That we, the Republican party of the parish of Natchitoches, do sustain and recognize the action of the only legal delegates representing the Republican party of the parish of Natchitoches, to wit: Hons. Raford Blunt, Henry Raby and M. P. Blackstone, and we, the Republican party, do tender our sincere thanks to these gentlemen, the delegates above named, for the efficient and valuable services rendered the Republican party of this parish in the only true convention held in New Orleans on the ninth instant, and which met at Turner Hall.

Resolved, That we, the Republican party of the parish of Natchitoches, do indorse in every particular the action and proceedings of the Turner Hall convention.

Resolved, That we recognize in the action of the bolters and disorganizers that met at the Customhouse, principles that lead, if carried out, to a war of races, tumult, riot and confusion in our now peaceful and prosperous State.

Resolved, That we indorse the resolutions presented to and indorsed by the Turner Hall convention, and offered by Hon. H. C. Dibble.

Resolved, That we heartily indorse the administration of his Excellency H. C. Warmoth, Governor of the State of Louisiana, and the Republican party of this State are indebted to him for their perfect organization, and also his very valuable services to the whole people, for bringing out of tumult and confusion our State, which now enjoys through his wisdom and guidance a reputation second to none in the Union. The whole people are indebted to him for arresting the schemes of public plunderers, for the protection of the rights of the treasury of the State, and the prevention of fraud and corruption by designing and unscrupulous persons, who would prey on the vitals of the people. We recognize in him a true, consistent Governor; one in whom the citizens of this State have the utmost confidence in and respect for. He has administered the laws regardless of personal fear or affection, and to his wise and administrative ability and prudence our State is now basking in the peace and sunshine of prosperity.

Resolved, That we indorse the administration of General Grant.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting, and the above resolutions, be published in the New Orleans *Republican* and LOUISIANIAN.

After the resolutions were read, it was moved and seconded that they be adopted, which was done, amid repeated cheers for the Turner Hall convention, Governor Warmoth and General Grant.

The meeting then adjourned.

JOSEPH AUSTIN, President.
JOHN G. LEWIS, Secretary.

THE ASSUMPTION CHRONICLE objects in this wise to the representation that the Customhouse manipulators cooked up for the parish of Assumption:

We see by the "Official" report of the proceedings of the Customhouse Convention, published in the *Citizens' Guard*, of the 13th instant, that the Parish of Assumption was represented by A. J. Sypher, Henry Grimes, and J. A. Walsh. Mr. Sypher, is a resident of the Parish of St. Mary's, Mr. Grimes, of Lafourche, and J. A Walsh of Orleans. None of these gentlemen are even known to the citizens of the Parish of Assumption, and we are at a loss to know how utter strangers can represent us in any Convention. If the Customhouse Convention was composed of such delegates, then surely the Republican Party was not represented in that body.

LAWS

OF THE

State of Louisiana.

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EXTRA SESSION OF 1870.

No. 106.

An Act

To incorporate the Arkansas and Delta Railroad Company and granting aid to the same.

[CONTINUED.]

Sec. 10. Be it further enacted, etc., That on presentation of the application to the court or judge therein named, and no person appearing to oppose said application, and whenever it shall satisfactorily appear from said application, and proofs thereunto attached, that service of the notice of the time and place of the presentation of said application upon all the owners and persons interested in said land has been made, the said court or judge thereof shall, forthwith, make an order appointing three disinterested and competent freeholders, who reside in the parish where the premises are situated, or an adjoining parish thereto, as commissioners to ascertain and appraise the compensation to be made to the owners or persons interested in the real estate proposed to be taken by the said company for its purposes, and shall fix the time and place for the first meeting of the said commissioners. In case any person who shall be the owner, or who shall have a vested interest in said premises shall appear at the time and place of the presentation of said application, the said court or judge, before making said appointment of commissioners, may hear such person and said company in relation to any persons proposed for appointmens as such commissioners, their place of residence, their competency and interest, and after such hearing the said court or judge shall make an appointment of three commissioners as aforesaid, in accordance with the discretion or judgment of said court or judge, in case it shall appear by said application that any person, or any of the persons owning or interested in the said premises described in the application, or any part of the same, are not known to the said company, or are not residents of the parish wherein said real estate is situated, or cannot be found therein after due diligence, or are infants, idiots, or persons of unsound mind, then and in such case the said court or judge, before making said appointment of commissioners, shall make such inquiries as to such owners interested in said premises, and shall make such orders for service of notice upon them or upon any persons in regard to such application and such other order or orders in the premises as the said court or judge may deem necessary, proper and just, and shall then make such appointment of commissioners as aforesaid, and in connection therewith make such orders as to the service of any future notice upon the owners of said premises, of the meeting and appraisement of said commissioners, and the confirmation of the same, as may seem to said court or judge equitable and just.

Sec. 11. Be it further enacted, etc., That the commissioners so appointed, or a majority of them shall hold their first meeting at a time and place appointed by the court or judge, and may adjourn from time to time at their discretion; they shall take and subscribe an oath before any officer authorized to administer oaths in the State of Louisiana to the effect that they and each of them will impartially and to the best of their judgment and ability perform the duties of said commissioner; and any one of said commissioners may issue subpoenas and administer oaths to witnesses. Whenever they meet to take testimony or hear the parties, except by appointment of the said court or judge, or pursuant to adjournment they shall cause reasonable notice of such meeting to be given to any of the parties in interest who shall have heretofore appeared before them or their agent or attorney. They shall hear the proofs and allegations of the parties, and reduce the same to writing, and after all the testimony offered in the case that in the judgment of said commissioners is pertinent to the value of said premises is taken, they or a majority of them shall without any unnecessary delay, ascertain and determine the compensation which ought justly and equitably be made by said company to the owner or persons interested in said real estate appraised by them; and said commissioners shall take into consideration the advantages that the said owners or persons interested in the said real estate may derive from the construction of the said proposed railway, for which said real estate is proposed to be taken. They shall make a report in writing to the court or judge by whom they were appointed, which shall contain the proceedings in the cases before them with the minutes of the testimony taken by them, if any and their award and determination They shall be compensated for services as such commissioners by said company at the rate of five dollars per day for actual services.

Sec. 12. Be it further enacted, etc., That on such report being made by such commissioners, the court or judge shall appoint a time or place for the hearing of said company, and all parties interested in said lands, in regard to the confirmation of said report, and shall by order direct the manner and form of the service of any notice of the same upon any persons that in the judgment of said court or judge should be notified; and on the day of such hearing, if no person shall appear to oppose the confirmation of said report, the same shall be confirmed by the said court or judge, and an order shall be made reciting the proceedings of the appraised, the confirmation of the same, and a description of the real estate, and a directing to whom the money or value of said real estate should be paid, or in what manner the same shall be deposited by the said company for the use and benefit of said owners, and if any person shall appear to oppose the confirmation of said report, the said court or judge shall hear the parties for and against said confirmation, then the same proceeding shall be had in the premises as heretofore provided, in case no person appeared to oppose said confirmation; and if said court or judge shall decide against said confirmation, an order shall be entered directed to said commissioners, or other commissioners named in said order; to proceed to a reappraisal of the said premises, the proceedings of which shall be afterward conducted as in the first instance, except that the appraisal order shall be final, and shall be confirmed by said court or judge; and the order of said court or judge confirming any appraisal as aforesaid, shall be final and conclusive on all parties interested; provided, that any party to said decree shall have the right to appeal to the Supreme Court from any decree to their inserests, or the interests of those they may represent.

Sec. 13. Be it further enacted, etc., That the order of said court or judge confirming an appraisal of lands as heretofore provided, or a certified copy of the same, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the district or parish court of the district or parish in which the said real estate appraised shall be situated and there shall remain on record; and such order, so entered and filed shall vest in said company the lands described therein, and such estate as may therein be set forth, on payment or tender of payment or deposit of the amount of the appraisal and damages by said company, as provided in said order or a duly certified copy thereof, with proof of such payment and deposit as therein provided, will be considered as legal evidence of the title and estate of said company to the real estate acquired by the appraisal by said company under and in pursuance to this act, and said title and estate shall be deemed to be acquired for public use.

Sec. 14. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said company is hereby authorized to obtain by grant or otherwise from any incorporated city or village within the State of Louisiana, that may be situated upon its railway, any rights, privileges or franchises that any of said incorporated cities or villages may choose to grant in reference to the construction, maintenance and management of the railroad of said company, its depots, cars, locomotives and its business within the limits of such incorporated cities and villages; and any such incorporated cities and villages as herein before named, is hereby authorized and empowered to grant to said company any such rights privileges and franchises as it may deem proper and advisable and such rights privileges and franchises, when granted to and accepted by said company from any such incorporated city or village shall be deemed and taken as rights, privileges and franchises vested and confirmed in said company. and not liable to be hereafter revoked, changed, injured or impaired, except with the consent of said company, and any parish, city or incorporated town is hereby authorized through its police jury, town council, board of trustees or other officers to aid the said Arkansas and Delta Railroad Company by subscriptions to its stock or the purchase or its bonds, and the said officers are hereby authorized to levy and to collect or cause to be levied and collected a tax upon the real and personal property of the said parish, town or village sufficient to realize the amount of their subscription to the stock or purchase of the bonds of the said company.

Sec. 15 Be it further enacted, etc., That whenever and as often as five or more consecutive miles of single track roadbed of said Arkansas and Delta railroad shall have been graded, furnished with needful bridges and culverts, and fully prepared for the superstructure, and the same shall have been certified in writing by the president of said board of directors or other authorized agent of said company to the Governor of the State of Louisiana, it shall be the duty of the Governor of the State of Louisiana to cause the work so done and certified to be inspected by a competent person appointed by the Governor for the purpose, who shall, without delay, make a report to the Governor in writing as to the extent and character of said work; and if on such inspection and report it shall appear that said work has been done in good and sufficient manner, then, and in that event, the Governor shall cause to be executed and delivered to said company the bonds of the State of Louisiana to the amount of seven thousand five hundred dollars for each and every mile of said roadbed which shall so appear to be graded and prepared; and whenever, and as often as five or more consecutive miles of said railway shall be fully completed, having the crossties and iron rails well and properly laid and the same shall have been duly certified in writing by the president of the board of directors or other authorized agent of said company, to the Governor of the State of Louisiana, it shall be the duty of the Governor of the State of Louisiana to cause said track, so certified to him, to be inspected by a competent person appointed for that purpose to have been well and properly done, then and in that event the Governor shall cause to be executed and delivered to said

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