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OPELOUSAS:
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NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET

For President:
SAMUEL J. TILDEN, of New York.
For Vice-President:
THOMAS A. HENDRICKS, of Indiana.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Governor:
FRANCIS T. NICHOLS, of Assumption.
For Lieutenant-Governor:
LOUIS A. WILTZ, of Orleans.
For Attorney General:
HORATIO N. OGDEN, of Orleans.
For Secretary of State:
WILLIAM A. STRONG, of Winn.
For Superintendent of Public Education:
ROBERT M. LUSHEE, of Orleans.
For Congress—Sixth District:
E. W. ROBERTSON, of East Baton Rouge.

Parish Democratic Executive Committee of St. Landry.

Joseph M. Moore, Louis Stagg,
L. S. Havard, Eli Clark,
D. P. Lafont, Eli Vidrine,
John L. Gardner, F. Semat,
A. L. Durio, Louis Young,
Leon Thibodeau.

The attention of our cotton planters is directed to the advertisement of Pease's "Revolutionary Head" cotton gin, in another column.

The State elections in Alabama, on the 7th inst. resulted in a sweeping Democratic victory—30,000 majority! Not a disturbance of any kind reported throughout the State.

All persons, and especially the ladies, who are fond of delicate and delightful perfumes, should not fail to give our enterprising Druggist W. O. Posey, a call, and inspect the choice lot of "Price's Gems of American Odors" which he has just received. Having been favored with a sample, we can attest to their special excellence.

The office of the Board of Assessors is now open for the assessment of property in the parish of St. Landry, at the Recorder's office in this town, between the hours of 10 o'clock, a. m. and 4 o'clock, p. m. Tax-payers should attend to seeing that their property is correctly assessed before the 1st of September, as after that date it will be too late to make any alterations on the assessment lists.

The office of the Supervisor of Registration for this Parish will be open in this town at the Court House from the 28th inst. to the 3d September, inclusive. All who will be 21 years of age before the 6th of November next, or who receive their certificate of registration will receive a certificate by applying to the Registrar. The appointments for the other portions of the parish will be announced in due time.

We notice that the Kellogg-Anderson Organ publishes the Democratic National and State tickets in its last issue, but does not refer to them editorially, nor in any manner account for their presence in its column. Wonder if that eminent self-sacrificing patriot, who modestly claims to have distinguished himself in that line, in days gone by, has not been trying the handiwork of "a little whisky and a little manna" on the "independent" organ grinder?

MEDICAL STUDENTS.—Medical students are, like almost all of the young men of our country at this time, needing money and requiring every dollar saved is to them a great advantage, and gives them the opportunity of investing these sums in books and instruments. We understand that the Trustees and Faculty of the Louisville Medical College (Kentucky) have created a number of Beneficiary Scholarships in behalf of those needing such aid; but all of the facts regarding the matter can be obtained by addressing a letter to the Louisville Medical College, Louisville, Ky.

A terrible accident happened last Thursday on the plantation of Mr. Joseph Black, some seven miles east of Opelousas. It appears that 10 or 12 workmen were engaged in putting up or repairing a sugar mill in the place, when two heavy pieces of timber fell upon them, wounding seven more or less seriously. Mr. Evans, the contractor, had an arm and two ribs broken; a colored man had a leg broken in two places, and another one was severely injured about the head; while Mr. Bayard, a carpenter, Mr. Thos. Bullard, of Opelousas, and two other assistants were more or less hurt, none of them dangerously, however.

The Parish Democratic Executive Committee which was chosen at the Convention of the 15th July last, met on Saturday last and organized by electing Jos. M. Moore Esq., as President, and Mr. Louis Stagg Esq., as Secretary. At the same meeting Mr. M. V. Singleton Sr. of Bayou Choctaw was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the declination of Mr. Dunbar, as a candidate for the Legislature on the ticket nominated on the 15th of July last. The Committee also selected the following delegates to represent this parish in a District Senatorial Convention to be held at Vermillionville on the first Monday in September next, or at any other place and date that may be agreed upon by the parishes comprising the said District: Messrs. M. R. Wilson, John A. Gardner, B. W. Reed, A. L. Durio, John A. Taylor, Willis Prescott, Joseph M. Moore, George Puffer, C. D. Tatman, Yves Vidrine, T. S. Fontenot, C. B. Andrus, P. Bandoit, Benjamin Avant, Gustave Delahoussaye, Leonce Sandez, E. Dubuisson, and R. F. Hardesty.

The proceedings held at Bayou Choctaw on 4th inst., as an account of which we publish in another column, under the head of "A Plan for Harmony," develop an idea which is not entirely new. It was suggested here a few days after the adjournment of the two Conventions; and to carry it out successfully, it would only be necessary for the two Executive Committees of the parishes to meet and agree on a new Convention, in order that harmony and unity might be secured among the Democrats and Conservatives of the parish. But to this is to be lost—the Committee should meet without delay. Probably the two committees alone might bring about the necessary harmony necessary to insure success. As regards the Legislative ticket, we have not the slightest objection to the hope and belief that the gentlemen nominated for the Legislature by either Convention, but will cheerfully acquiesce in the decision of such a conference.

The Torchlight Procession and Ratification Meeting.

In accordance with previous arrangements made by the "Wide-Awake Democratic-Conservative Campaign Club," of Opelousas, a torchlight procession through the principal streets of our town took place on the night of the 5th inst. This was a part of the programme of a meeting of the Democratic-Conservative citizens of Opelousas for the purpose of ratifying the platform and nominations made at St. Louis and Baton Rouge.

An immense concourse of the citizens of our parish were present to participate in the proceedings. The attendance of ladies at the Court House, at the close of the procession, to listen to the speeches made by the orators of the evening selected by the Committee of Arrangements, was very large.

The procession started from the Catholic Church, headed by a band of music, and proceeded through the principal streets, amid roars of cheering from the immense crowds of citizens who kept pace with it on the sidewalks, and awaited it at the street corners.

Banners with appropriate devices and transparencies, all well and tastefully executed, added greatly to the interest manifested by the people in the proceedings, and gave life and animation to the scene. Many of the residences and business houses on the streets through which the procession passed, were brilliantly illuminated in honor of the occasion.

At the conclusion of the march of the procession, as many of the vast assembly as could do so entered the Court House to listen to the speeches made and to participate in the ratification of the work of the National and State Conventions, all of which was done in excellent style, and from all that we could discover, to the satisfaction of all except the leading and aspiring Radicals and some of their followers who were in and around about the premises. There was not a single unpleasant occurrence during the whole evening to mar the harmony of the proceedings.

We understand that, under the auspices of the Democratic-Conservative club of our sister town of Washington, there will be, within the month, a torchlight procession and ratification meeting in that town.

We think that we can safely say that St. Landry will, in November next, roll up a heavier majority for our National and State tickets than she has yet ever given.

It is not often that the New Orleans Democrat, our co-laborer in the work of opposing Radicalism, carpet-bagism and dishonesty in Louisiana, deigns to notice occurrences of any kind in St. Landry. In its issue of the 4th inst., however, under the head "Louisiana," it contains the following paragraph:

The two Opelousas papers, the COURIER and the JOURNAL, charge each other with devoting their time to abuse fellow-Democrats, and have never a word to say in condemnation of Radicals and Tom Anderson.

We cannot conceal and do not desire to conceal our regret that the Democrat should have published this statement. It does us an injustice, unaccompanied as it is with any remarks from the Democrat, defending us from the reported charge made by the Journal. We should have no complaint to make if the Journal were our peer as a Democratic paper, or if it were a Democratic paper at all. But the Journal has never been a Democratic paper since first, under Warrick's administration, it obtained the printing contract for this parish and became the official organ. When Kellogg's usurpation became a success, the contract obtained from Warrick was continued, and the Journal is to-day the same official organ. It is well known here and elsewhere, in well informed political circles, that the Journal obtained this contract under Warrick, and its continuation under Kellogg, through the influence of Tom Anderson, of Retribution Board notoriety. It is also well known here, that the Journal, during these many years duration of its printing contract, has been the apologist of the Warrick and Kellogg régimes; has never denounced and condemned the infamies, the wickedness and corruption of either; has not only not said a word over "in condemnation of Tom Anderson," but has been his open and unabashed advocate and eulogist. During these years of enjoyment of patronage extended to the Journal, the Democratic party has never received a word of encouragement from it. But it has received abuse from it; it has been twitted about its defects and insulted through the columns of that paper with epithets that none but a bitter enemy would employ in speaking of that party. The Democrat is perhaps not aware of these things. If so—and we must believe it is not aware of them—we think it accessible for its ignorance in regard to the history of the Journal, for several reasons unnecessary to be stated here. The COURIER, however, has recorded as a Democratic paper that dates back many years before the Democrat had an existence. Its record is open to inspection and challenges the closest scrutiny. In its advocacy of the Democratic party and of its principles, in its opposition to Radicalism and its measures and men, it has never faltered nor turned aside. In the darkest hour of the Democracy's existence, when the Journal was proclaiming its death and rejoicing over its alleged burial, the COURIER never lost hope, and still kept up the fight. During all this time down to the present moment, we have had no printing contracts, no governmental patronage to fill our pockets with money and to sustain us; but have depended for support,—for existence,—upon our own hard and incessant efforts, and upon such patronage as has been given us by the substantial Democrats and people of our parish,—the farmers, mechanics and tradesmen; the class of men who supply the means that support the government, and through taxation, and who have been and are still oppressed by it. As the illustrious senator from this parish—Retribution Board Anderson—if the Democrat will take the trouble to examine the files of the Courier it will find that we have ever since its descent as a senator, not long after his election as senator in 1858, down to the present day, as an avowed Republican, ever made known to the hands of the Radical party, been his uncompromising opponent, exposing his shortcomings and denouncing to the common enemy, and denouncing them in no equivocal terms. That the Courier has ever devoted its time to abuse of a fellow-Democrat of good standing in the party, is simply an erroneous statement, and one which the Journal itself never made about it. If the Democrat desires to ascertain the status, politically or otherwise, of the Courier, we hope that it will have the fairness and tact to take the trouble to consult the files of that paper, or to seek information from gentlemen and journalists of long standing in New Orleans, to whom we will refer it, and not adopt the estimate placed upon it by the Journal or people of that ilk. In conclusion, we would advise the Democrat to read the COURIER with a little more care before it gives circulation to such paragraphs as that above quoted.

Tilden and Nichols Ratification Meeting.

COURT HOUSE, OPELOUSAS, August 5th, 1876.
The meeting was called to order by J. Semat Esq., who, by request of the Committee of Arrangements, called upon the following gentlemen to serve as officers of the meeting: President, C. G. SWAYZE; Vice Presidents, William B. Reed, Dionel Durio, Willis Prescott, Charles N. Ealer, J. J. Bailey, Arthur Simon, B. B. Daly and O. Voorhies; Secretaries, Clinton B. Andrus, re-elected P. Williams, Joseph D. Richard and M. Villaseca.

The President having, in a few appropriate remarks, explained the object of the meeting, on motion of Thomas H. Lewis Esq., it was resolved that the Chair appoint a committee of seven to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting. The Messrs. Thomas H. Lewis, Charles N. Ealer, Lewis D. Prescott, John N. Ogden, Joseph Bloch, Joseph M. Moore and Laurent Dupré, were chosen for the committee having retired, Mr. Kenneth Ballio was introduced by the President as the first speaker of the evening.

Mr. Ballio having finished his eloquent and patriotic address, the Committee on Resolutions, through its Chairman, offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Democrats and Conservatives of the parish of St. Landry emphatically approve and endorse the action of the National Democratic Convention held at St. Louis on the 27th of June, and that of the State Convention held at Baton Rouge on the 24th of July.

That, in the nomination of Governor Samuel J. Tilden for the Presidency, and of Governor Thomas A. Hendricks for the Vice-Presidency, the Democratic Party, given to the whole people of the United States the strongest demonstration of its devotion to the principles of constitutional liberty, and of its purpose to maintain and carry out the best and wisest reforms of the civil service of the National Government, in all its branches;

That, while we heartily ratify and approve the action of the noble and patriotic General Francis T. Nichols in the selection of the chief executive officer of the State, and of the Honorable Louis A. Wilz for the second office with this people; and in our cordial and special thanks are due to the Convention for having in this their most important duty, so happily answered the wishes and prayers of the conservative people of the whole State;

That we look upon the present as the beginning of a new era of conciliation and fraternal feeling, and we are glad to see the efforts of our people so regard it; and we especially rejoice that many colored citizens throughout the State have expressed their determination to co-operate in the grand work of reconstructing our State Administration; and while we pledge ourselves to secretly respect the absolute right of all citizens to freely cast their ballots at the polls, and to elect whom they please, we extend an urgent invitation to all our fellow-citizens to assist us in our efforts to unite the State Government in the hands of our own resident citizens; and while we are a sufficient guaranty of an honest and able administration, and of the impartial maintenance of all classes, without regard to race, color or previous condition.

Eloquent and patriotic addresses were then made by Messrs. F. Perrodin, Laurent Dupré, George W. Hurd, E. W. Reed, and A. W. Nichols were given, and the meeting adjourned.

C. B. ANDRUS, Secretary.
M. VILLASECA, Secretary.
A. P. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Bayou Choctaw Falls in Line.

THE COURT HOUSE CONVENTION REPUDIATED AND DENOUNCED.

The Varieties Hall Democratic Convention Enthusiastically Endorsed.

The People Will Soon Be Wide Awake.

At a meeting of Democrats of Bayou Choctaw, in the parish of St. Landry, held on Saturday, July 29, 1876, the following resolutions were adopted: A Democratic club, Mr. Charles Dossman was elected President, Messrs. Eliza Whittington, John M. Singleton and A. W. Carroll were elected Vice-Presidents, and Mr. Frederick Courneyer was elected Secretary.

It was then organized, the following preamble and resolutions were introduced, seconded, fully debated and adopted unanimously.

Whereas, the delegates to the Democratic Convention in Opelousas Saturday, July 15th, 1876, instead of acting in concert as one body, unfortunately divided into two factions, one creating discord, confusion and animosity, when concord, order and amity are necessary to the success of the party, and most importantly divided the Democratic party into a continuation of Radical Republican rule and tyranny in this State—which division, we believe, has made an opportunity for the election of Republicans in this parish at the approaching election; and

Whereas, we believe the delegates who held their meeting at the Court House were chiefly responsible for the division and all the evils that follow; therefore be it

Resolved, That we concur with the delegates who assembled at the Varieties Hall, in Opelousas, and pledge our support to the nominations made there, and commend the action of Mr. Eli Clark, one of the delegates from this parish, for having united with the delegates in that place.

Resolved, That as a vacancy exists in the tickets for the House of Representatives, by the resignation of M. V. Singleton, we respectfully recommend Mr. Matthew V. Singleton, Senator, to the Democrats of the parish as a suitable person to fill the vacancy;

Resolved, That these proceedings be sent to the Opelousas COURIER for publication.

CHARLES DOSSMAN, President.
Elihu Whittington, C. C. Oliver,
Sam'l Waldon, Wm E. Oliver,
John Tubor Jr., John Tubor Jr.,
John L. Sudduth, Jos G West,
Sam'l Waldon, C. F. McClendon,
Benj Waldon, W. E. Mims,
Jas McEachern, C. T. Griffith,
Wm P. Glaze, James Tubor,
J. R. Glover, Aaron Going,
E. Z. Griffin, Griffith Thompson,
E. L. Scott, Wm M Singleton,
Hyp Johnson, Jr., Wm Hebert,
T. B. Hales, Jas M Johnston,
Alfred Johnson, Z Taylor Oliver,
Jos McEachern, R W Tatman,
Wm T Nelson, M V Singleton Jr.,
M. M. Buis, T H Thompson,
A. C. Stewart, M V Singleton, Sr.,
O. H. Ferguson, J A Slayter,
Chas L Elliot, A J Singleton, Jr.,
Homer Savant, J M Fort,
Cyrus Talman, C D Tatman,
Fleury Hebert, F W Lutz,
C. M. Richards, Wm Ferguson,
James West, Ernest Fontenot,
Levi Clark, Wm Clark,
Neville Johnson, Jas Mizell,
McIntire West, Jas Martin,
Andrew West, Raymond Henry,
Archie Bellard, Justin Johnson,
Napoleon Johnson, Wm Hebert,
Ambrose Johnson, Samuel Peters,
Benj Henry, Robert Henry,
David Johnston, Octave Fontenot,
Orvan Elliot, Wm O Neal,
J. B. Henry, Eli Clark,
Elmas Campbell, Patrick Darnaley.

Cotton is opening rapidly and several planters in the vicinity of town began picking this week—unless the almost daily showers we have had since last Saturday interfered with their arrangements.

A Plan for Harmony.

The following proceedings are accompanied by a list of 164 names, which lack of space preclude our publishing this week; we will endeavor to find place for it next.

Bayou Choctaw, August 4th, 1876.
A meeting of the citizens of this Ward was held at Sam Hasz's store in Bayou Choctaw, the meeting being called to order by Wm. Forman was called to the Chair temporarily. On taking the Chair Mr. Forman called J. D. Currie to act as Secretary, pro tem.

Resolved, That we respectfully suggest that an authorized delegation from each ward be appointed to wait on the two executive Democratic Committees and endeavor to harmonize and unite the two organizations and thereby restore harmony in the Democratic ranks of our parish.

Resolved, That we do not feel pledged to support any nominations made by either Convention held in Opelousas July 15th 1876. Resolved, That we respectfully solicit the aid of each respective ward in the election to join us in a move to harmonize the party and bring about unity of action.

Resolved, That we respectfully invite all persons irrespective of race, color or previous condition to aid us in harmonizing the Democratic ranks of our parish.

Resolved, That we respectfully invite all political tricksters, wire pullers, and seed sowers of party strife, and require that all office seekers who are elected by the people, and persons sustaining and favoring the Democratic party, be held personally responsible for the restoration of party for personal aggrandizement shall step down and out.

Resolved, That the meeting be adjourned until the 12th inst. Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of the proceedings of the meeting to the Honorable Secretary and Journal of the National Democratic Convention, with request to publish with list of names appended.

In motion a recess of ten minutes was taken. After the recess the meeting adjourned until the 12th inst. Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of the proceedings of the meeting to the Honorable Secretary and Journal of the National Democratic Convention, with request to publish with list of names appended.

WILLIAM THOMAS, Secretary.

The Baton Rouge Platform.

REFORM, A FAIR ELECTION, PUBLIC SCHOOLS, RAILROADS, ETC., DEMANDED.

Kellogg and the Radical Party Denounced—The St. Louis Nominations and Platform Indorsed.

The following is the full report on platform of the National Democratic Convention at the Baton Rouge Convention of which Gov. Albert Voorhies was chairman:

Resolved, That we, the representatives of the Democratic-Conservative party of the State of Louisiana, in the National Democratic Convention, do hereby declare administrative and political reform to be the paramount issue in the coming general election, and we earnestly appeal to our fellow citizens, irrespective of race, color and white, to unite with us in our patriotic effort to effect such reform.

THE RADICAL PARTY. We arraign the Radical party of Louisiana for marked and frequent violations of the letter and spirit of the constitution; for the usurpation of the powers for the benefit of the party, and to the great injury and total ruin of the State; for fomenting discussions between the races and deliberately exciting strife and turmoil, thereby cruelly sacrificing the lives of colored and white citizens, with the intent of procuring unwarranted and unconstitutional interference in our State affairs.

THE USURPATION. We denounce the usurpative and bad government which Louisiana has suffered for the last four years, a usurpation under which official and private property has been confiscated, the government arbitrarily overthrown, Federal power, the Legislature invaded and dispersed by bayonets in time of profound peace, and the rights of colored and white citizens added but another to the long catalogue of wrongs for which the Republican party should be held to account in November next.

A FAIR ELECTION. We hereby proclaim that it is our desire and fixed purpose, under any and every circumstance, to have a fair and peaceable election; but we demand and insist that there be no violence or intimidation exercised toward any of our fellow-citizens, and we wish to co-operate with us for the redemption of the State from misrule.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION. We fully recognize the binding effect of the three amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and we accept the same as a final settlement of the controversies that engendered civil war, and we insist that every citizen in the exercise of the rights acquired and guaranteed by said amendments, whatever be his race, color or previous condition.

THE STATE FINANCES. We hereby declare our entire and unqualified support to the satisfaction of all the legal obligations of the State of Louisiana; to the most strenuous efforts in the direction of reform, and an economical administration of the Government, and especially to the abolition of all unnecessary public offices; to the reduction of fees and salaries of officers; to the standard of a fair and equitable system of taxation, and to the maintenance of the public debt, and to the preservation of the public faith, and to the cordial and unqualified support of the National Government, and to the generous large patronage of the Chief Executive of the State.

THE TEXAS RAILROAD. We declare our entire and unqualified support of the passage of the Texas Pacific Railroad bill, now pending before Congress, and recommend our members of Congress, to advocate its passage at an early date.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR ALL. We advocate the fostering of the public schools for the benefit of all the eligible children of the State, and that equal advantage be given to all children, colored as well as white.

THE ST. LOUIS NOMINATIONS. We cordially approve of and endorse the platform of the National Democratic party, recently assembled in convention at St. Louis, and feel inspired with the hope of a better Government in the future; but the great question of reform is brought before the people of the whole country by a great national party, and we pledge ourselves to use our utmost efforts to secure the success of those great exponents of national reform, Sam'l J. Tilden and Thos. A. Hendricks.

CANDIDATES.

For State Senator. At the request of my friends through the District, I announce myself as a candidate for the State Senate, for the Tenth Senatorial District. W. H. KIRKMAN.

We are authorized to announce THOMAS C. ANDERSON as a candidate for State Senator for the Tenth Senatorial District, composed of the parishes of Calcasieu, Cameron, Lafayette and St. Landry.

For District Judge. We are authorized to announce E. T. LEWIS Esq., as a candidate for the office of Judge of the 8th Judicial District, subject to the nomination of a District Democratic Convention, if one be held, and if not, to a nomination of the local Democratic nominating Conventions, without being away from home over night.

I am a candidate for Judge of the 8th Judicial District, at the election to take place in November, 1876. GEORGE W. HUDSPETH.

For District Attorney. We are authorized to announce LAURENT DUPELLE Esq., as a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the 8th Judicial District, subject to the approval of the Democratic party, expressed through a District Convention, composed of the parishes composing the District.

I am a candidate for District Attorney of the 8th Judicial District at the election to be held in November, 1876. F. FERROL PERRODIN.

For Clerk of Court. We are authorized to announce that Judge A. GARRIGUES is a candidate for Clerk of the District Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, at the election of November next.

We are authorized to announce that Mr. JAS. O. CHACHERE is a candidate for Clerk of the District Court, in and for the parish of St. Landry, at the election of November next.

For the Police Jury. I am a candidate for Police Jury, 1st Ward, at the election to be held in November, 1876. R. H. LITTELL.

For the Legislature. We are authorized to announce Capt. JOHN M. TAYLOR as a candidate for the House of Representatives, at the election of November next, subject to the nomination of the Democratic Party Convention.

For Parish Judge. At the solicitation of many friends, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Parish Judge, at the election in November next. J. B. A. GENTENOT.

For Sheriff. We are authorized to announce CAPT. E. A. CARMOUCHE as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of St. Landry, at the election to be held in November next, subject to the approval of the Parish Democratic Nominating Convention.

For Recorder. I am a candidate for Recorder of the parish of St. Landry at the election of next November. HEZEKIAH HAYS.

CARD OF THANKS.

THE undersigned Committee of Arrangements, on behalf of the Opelousas Wide-Awake Democratic Club, hereby tender their sincere thanks to the following gentlemen of the Volante Brass Band, who patriotically rendered their services for the Tilden and Nichols Ratification Meeting and Torchlight Procession last Saturday night, and generously contributed to the success of the same: Messrs. Volante Band—Messrs. Jos. Haas, T. S. Richard, E. L. Posey, Chas. Richard, E. Harz, G. Puffer Jr., C. Pufferkorn and J. K. Sandoz.

Geo. Puffer, Sr., Jos. McCormick, R. Moinniveg, F. Egan Burr, W. O. Posey, Committee of Arrangements.

OPELOUSAS, La., July 19, 1876. IN accordance with a resolution passed by the Democratic Conservative Convention on the 15th July 1876,—the following named gentlemen are hereby announced as the Central Executive Committee of this Parish, viz: J. L. Estorge, R. H. Littell, Dionel Durio, Albert Guidry, Wm. A. Ealer, Oseme Antoine, Martin Carron, Bennett E. Clark, J. L. Estorge, President of the Democratic Conservative Convention of the Parish of St. Landry, July 22-1st.

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