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Wednesday, April 18, 1877.

The office of the New Orleans DEMOCRAT has been Removed from 74 Camp street to 109 Gravier street.

The Only Authorized Soliciting Agents of the Democrat for the City are Messrs. H. H. BAKER and P. O. DEVEZIN.

Our subscribers will confer a favor upon us by reporting at this office every failure in the delivery to their address of the DEMOCRAT, as we are particularly desirous of achieving absolute exactitude and punctuality.

GENUINE REFORM.

A close scrutiny of the principal measures enacted by our Legislature since it began its work of reform in earnest will reveal the gratifying and, to most of our readers, surprising fact that, without any blare of trumpets or boastful self-glorification, our legislators, faithful to the obligations which they assumed towards their constituents, have steadily and conscientiously labored for the relief of the taxpayers of the State and produced results for which they are entitled to and will receive the highest praise and gratitude.

We propose, on some other occasion, to review the legislative work of the General Assembly in detail. For the present we content ourselves with furnishing an estimate of the amount of money which the faithful enforcement of the acts which we enumerate will save to the taxpayers annually from this time forth, to wit:

REDUCTION TO THE STATE PROPER.

Regular Session—		
Act 26—Salaries in Executive Department	$20,000	
Act 49—Printing, including Supreme Court Decisions, etc.	50,000	
Act 61—Superior District Court abolished	5,000	
Extra Session—		
Act 4—Assessing and collecting State tax in New Orleans	65,000	
Act 4—Assessing and collecting state tax in parishes	100,000	
Act 23—Public schools, salaries etc.	25,000	
Act 27—Salaries of Judges of Supreme Court reduced	10,000	
Act 38—Salaries of Parish Judges reduced	34,500	
Act ——Board of State Engineers	15,500	
To State proper		$325,000

REDUCTION TO CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

Regular session—		
Act 17—Fixing salaries of officers Superior Criminal Court	$15,000	
Act 18—Fixing salaries of officers First District Court	10,000	
Act 60—Reducing fees of Criminal Sheriff, etc.	25,000	
Extra Session—		
Act 35—Reduction in Police Department	175,000	
Reduction of police courts, salaries alone	35,000	
Act 58—Election expenses, biennial $50,000	25,000	
To city of New Orleans		$285,000

REDUCTION TO PARISHES.

Regular Session—		
Act 44—Jury expenses reduced fully 90 p. cent, and one-half of this balance is paid by civil litigants	$150,000	
Act 49—Printing to parishes, including legal advertisements	25,000	
Extra Session—		
Act 4—Assessment and collection of revenue	75,000	
Act 7—Limiting liability of parish for fees and costs in criminal cases — sheriffs, clerks, constables and witnesses	160,000	
Act 40—Reduction of coroners' fees, etc.	20,000	
Act 58—Expenses of registration, biennally $100,000	50,000	
Saved to parishes		480,00
Total		$1,090,000

We have been careful in making the above estimate to keep within the limit of the possible saving to be effected by these reform measures. As it is, this showing is highly creditable to our legislators, and will compare favorably with the work of any legislature in this country.

It is an axiom of the Democratic party that we are governed too much, and that the sooner a legislature adjourns the better it is for their constituents; but when we contemplate this kind of government and honest and efficient legislation such as we have witnessed during the last two months, we are tempted to cry aloud for more government and protracted sessions of the legislature.

The report of R. G. Dunn & Co. shows that in the matters of failures during the first three months of 1877, Louisiana makes proportionately the best show in the Union, the total failures for that time being only ten, with liabilities of $126,000. The two little States of Florida and Delaware alone fall below Louisiana.

THE GAME LAW.

There is a bill which recently passed the Legislature the objects of which are commendable. We refer to the proposed law to prevent and punish the killing of game during the breeding or incubating season.

In relation to birds, the terms of this law are extended beyond the scope of similar laws in other States and countries, so as to include song birds as well as those which belong to the class of game birds. As to the latter, quails, patridges and pheasants only are mentioned, whose incubating season (or within which they cannot be shot or hunted) is fixed between the 1st April and 15th September. Now, this classification is radically defective in this, that it does not include grouse or prairie chickens, which are the only game birds that are engaged in incubating during the period indicated.

There are no partridges or pheasants in Louisiana, but quiet a good stock of grouse or prairie chickens on the prairies of Opelousas and the Attakapas country, which need the protection of this law. What are commonly called partridges are, in fact, quails, so recognized and defined in all scientific books on the subject.

These are almost the only birds, together with wild turkeys, which demand the protection extended by this law. There should be penalties against all parties who hunt these during the period of their domesticity, or who destroy their eggs and thereby check the multiplication of their species.

There is no need of extending the provisions of this law to some of the feathered tribe that may be classed as carpet-baggers, visiting our State in midsummer to fatten in our swamps on our luscious insects and reptiles. They are mere nomads, but unlike the human nomads who infest our State, they furnish our epicures with some of the daintiest articles of luxury and nourishment. They do not need the protection of a game law. At the very period when our regular and permanent feathered settlers are engaged in the duty of all good citizens of multiplying their species, these immigrants are absorbed in fattening their own bodies so as to beguile our people into the luxurious and enervating enjoyment of feasting on them, at exorbitant rates and with various accompanaments of perilous and bewildering consequences to their moral well-being and intellectual equipoise.

Such are the woodcock, jacksnipe, grosbeck, beccroche, and, lastly, that most seductive of all feathered dainties, the papabot. This exquisite and incomparable bird only attains his excellence in the month of August. During the rest of the year he is a meagre, unsatisfactory and lean specimen of plover, hardly worth the shooting. It would be well to amend the game law so as to prevent the killing of papabots before the first of August and after the first of October.

There is no richer, fatter, more luscious, juicy and appetizing morsel than the papabot during the period indicated, when it has access to the green Spanish flies and other entomological *morceaux* of our swamps and ponds. With the disappearance of the flies aforesaid, the papabot declines into a thin, long-legged sort of plover, hardly above the rank of a killdee. Now let the destruction of the papabot be arrested and prevented when he ceases to come up to the standard of excellence and juiciness which he reaches during flytime. Very recently we saw quite a number of them offered for sale on the streets, which were readily bought by "green ones' as genuine papabots. The purchasers thereof have since discovered the deception perpetrated on them, and against which the law should protect such ignorant and unwary persons.

Passing from game birds, our law has assumed to protect the musical tastes and love of melody of our people by affixing penalties to the destruction of the eggs and the killing of certain birds that minister to this sentiment. Such are mocking birds, black birds, finches, etc. Strange to say, no mention is made of the silvery-voiced pawpas and the melodious red birds. The only objection to this provision of the bill is that it will interrupt a very important trade, and perhaps infringe that article of the Federal constitution which denies to the States the power to regulate commerce. In the capture and sale of these birds there is quite an active business carried on in this State, especially in the Florida parishes, whence a large number of our song birds are every year dispatched to Northern and European markets, to give life and melody to their aviaries and inspire with a just appreciation of natural music the dull faculties of the more northern races.

The hunting of the hare, especially with beagles, has become a very favorite sport in Louisiana. It has all the attractions, without the fatigue and uncertainties, of deer driving, and it is very desirable that the increase of the subject of this sport should be promoted. It is perhaps less necessary that some provision should be made similar to those made to check the destruction of game birds, in regard to the hare, from his known unconquerable zeal and pertinacity in the multiplication of his species.

Relative to quadrupeds, the only subject of the protection of the law is the deer, and, even in regard to him, the statute is drawn with singular infelicity in fixing the period when he may be shot at least two months too late to avoid interrupting his fulfilment of the great and first duty imposed upon all animal creation, and more than a month too early for the resumption of sport at the expense and peril of his adolescent offspring. But not a word of protection is inserted in the statute to arrest and punish the ruthless destruction of one gentle innocent, and, when the frost falls, very appetizing little quadruped, namely, the hare, which has been most faithful and industrious, despite his many foes, in increasing his family in this State.

Then, after the hare, we suggest that some provision be made to prevent the destruction of the eggs of soft shell turtles, sea turtles, and gophers, which, properly handled in the kitchen, serve to supply the most delicious article of food of all the *ferae naturae* of our rather swampy region.

The protection and increase of these animals deserve the serious study and care of all philanthropists and legislators in Louisiana. They constitute an article of food of such abundance, delicacy and nutritiousness, that, in the not remote future, economists will wonder that we should have sent so much of our hard-earned money out of the State to pay for fat and salty pork and stall-fed beef, when in the always adjacent swamp, or in every lake or pond, we can capture, with some art and little labor, a far better article of meat in the shape of soft shells, loggerheads, gophers, and other specimens of the testudinal genus.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

We were gratified to hear, yesterday, that Chief Boylan, acting upon the suggestion of the DEMOCRAT, has issued orders to his men not to make use of their revolvers unless in positive self-defense. It is a judicious order, and we sincerely commend Chief Boylan upon its issuance. The practice inaugurated here, under the Radical regime of indiscriminate shooting by policemen to procure arrests, was a crying abuse, and we rejoice that the barbarous custom should be abolished. The men, being uninstructed, were scarcely to blame for following old traditions, and, to the ordinary mortal, there is something so very enticing and alluring in taking a square aim at a fellow's back when he is running, that, we must say it to the credit of the police, it is astonishing that they should not have taken more advantage of the license heretofore granted them.

Packard has stepped down from the high horse upon which he expected to ride at a canter into the gubernatorial office. Two short weeks ago he struck a position of defiance toward the President, and menacingly reminded him of the identity of their respective titles to office. Finding that as a presidential bulldozer he proved a failure, in his last appeal to Mr. Hays he "roars you as gently as a sucking dove," whines about his communication of April 5th not having been answered yet, and plaintively appeals again for an "enlargement" of the instructions to the Commission. He vows that he will not be satisfied until the Commission report "whether or not there exists here an armed insurrection against the lawful government."

We are obliged to Judge Charles Gayarre, well known throughout the country as the Historian of Louisiana, for a copy of the third edition of his "School for Politics." It is a dramatic novel, written in the Judge's most classical and pointed style, and is full of humorous satire and practical illustrations of the by-ways of political life. The book has now run through two editions, and owing to the great demand a third edition had to be worked.

The "School for Politics" has not only a local and national, but, we may say, a European reputation, it having been extensively noticed by the London papers and translated into French, by the Comte de Sartiges, formerly minister of France to the United States.

DIED.

VAUGHT—On Tuesday, April 17th, Mary Martin Vaught, second daughter of the late Daniel Worthington Vaught and Mary Frances Darrah.

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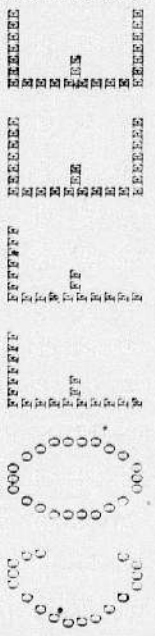

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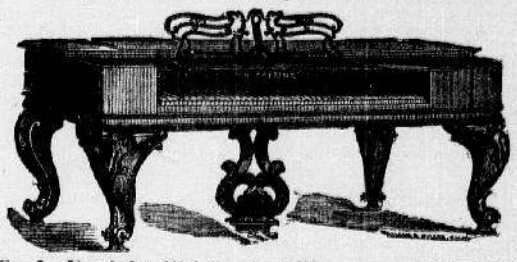

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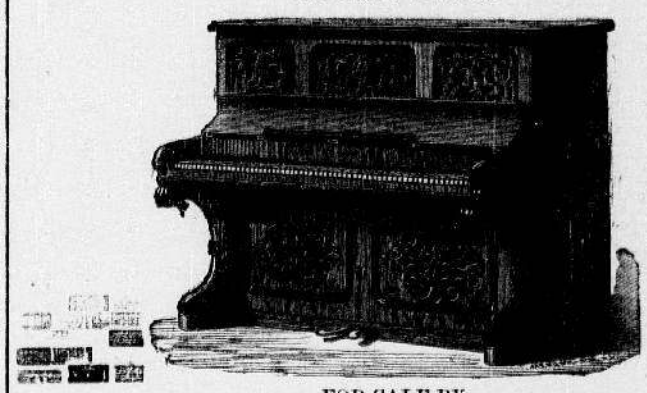

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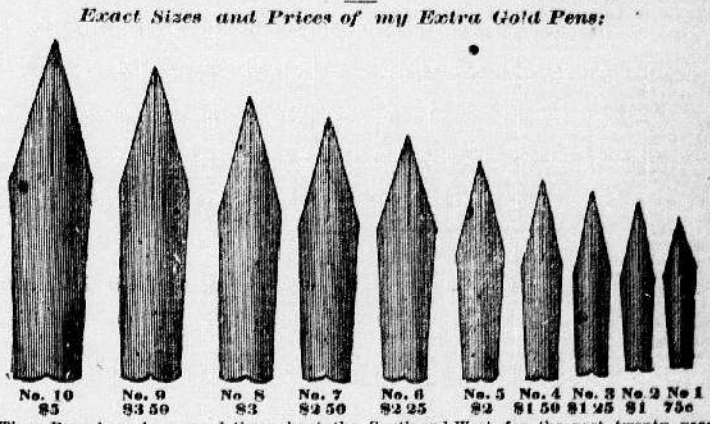

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