

WASHINGTON

The Bill Providing for the Redemption of Compound Interest Notes Passed in the Senate.

The League Island Bill Also Passed.

Consideration of the Internal Revenue Bill in the House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14, 1867. The Reconstruction Measures of Congress. The action of the Senate on the bill for the re-establishment of civil government in Louisiana, as well as the bill for the military government of the unreconstructed States, was very significant to-day. They were both read a second time, and a very decided disposition was manifested to put them both on their passage at an early day.

Mr. Eliot, chairman of the New Orleans Riot Committee, which passed the House on Wednesday, does not seem to meet the approval of the Southern loyalists at all. Most of those loyalists are here—and their number is pretty large—are unopposed in their denunciations of it, especially those from Louisiana. They say that the effect of the measure, if it becomes a law, will be to disfranchise a very large proportion of the whites, many of whom would exercise the voting privilege far better for the welfare of the country at large than the negroes, and that the day would soon arrive when not only a negro Governor would be elected, but negroes would be sent to Congress from the majority of the districts. There are, however, a few ultra republicans from Louisiana here, and they appear to be men of sufficient ability to fairly represent the social and political needs of the State, who think that the measure should succeed, and are only fearful that legislation upon it may be so tardy as to prevent its becoming a law before the close of the session. They say that sooner or later the freedmen will be enfranchised in every Southern State, and even though none of the men who engaged in the rebellion except the leaders were disfranchised, the freedmen would still have large majorities in some of the Congressional Districts, and thus be able to elect Representatives to Congress.

The President and Congress. An intimate friend of the President reports that in a conversation held with him Mr. Johnson continues to be of the opinion that the policy of the present Congress will receive the condemnation of the people, and that time will justify his course in vetoing the measures that have met with his disapproval. He asserts that many of the republican members now feel indisposed to support legislation affecting the condition of the South, and that if there were one or two members of Congress bold enough to take a decided stand in opposition to the majority, there would be such a conversion to the views as would modify the character of legislation, and would result in a measure that he terms "the thinking portion of the public." The President affects not to believe that the people of the North can be induced to support any policy which will continue to deprive the unreconstructed States of representation. On the other hand, prominent republican members have been in frequent communication with the President for some time past, and the mysterious intimations dropped by Messrs. Raymond and Banks recently in the debate on the Reconstruction bill of Mr. Stevens, there is authority for saying, had their origin in consultations held at the White House. Already an exciting rumor prevails among the democrats here that the President is going over to the rebels. It is certain that such a change is thought probable by some of his late friends, who are trying to prevent its accomplishment by predicting his certain political ruin from such a return to the camp of his old allies.

Redemption of Compound Interest Notes. The bill to authorize the issue of temporary loan certificates, for the purpose of redeeming and retiring compound interest notes, which was reported from the Committee on Finance in the House a few days since, was taken up this morning in the Senate, amended on the motion of Mr. Sherman by substituting one hundred million dollars for fifty million dollars, and then passed.

League Island for a Naval Depot. The bill to acquire the site of the League Island for a naval depot, and after some considerable discussion was passed by a vote of 25 to 17.

The Treasury Department Economizing. The Treasury Department has issued a circular in which it cautions its officers against the excessive use of the telegraph. The very large expense attendant upon that mode of communication renders it improper to resort to it except in cases of real urgency, where the mail is clearly inadequate. Even in replying to messages received by telegraph officers must exercise a rigid discrimination, and employ the telegraph only when the public interests plainly demand it.

The Pardons of Rebels. The President at present grants very few pardons to persons who have been engaged in the rebellion, and none at all to those who held high offices under the rebel government. The Attorney General has his whole clerical force engaged upon the list of pardons granted by the President, which was called for by a resolution of the House of Representatives some time since. It is not possible that this information can be furnished before the end of the present Congress, as the number of pardons which have been issued up to the present time is about twenty-one thousand, and the number of parties recommending pardons, the names of whom are required by the resolution, is about fifty thousand.

The Test Oath for Lawyers—The Case of Magruder. The case of Colonel A. B. Magruder, who asked to be admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, was called for by a resolution of the United States Supreme Court by his counsel. It will be remembered that a few days since the majority of the Judges gave their decision against the admission of Mr. Magruder, and it is now understood that his counsel will base their action upon the ground that the Justices of the District Supreme Court are guilty of a contempt of the United States Supreme Court, and at whose feet they are suing for redress.

Twenty White Men in the Kansas Indians. A treaty has been made between the United States and the delegation from the Kansas Indians, by which the latter cede to the United States the lands occupied by them in the State of Kansas, on condition that a reservation be allowed them in the Indian Territory. The Kansas delegation will leave here in a few days.

The Delegations from the Sioux Indians, and from the Chippewas, have not yet made known their desires to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Another delegation, from the Sioux of Northern Missouri and Dakota, is expected to arrive here on Saturday.

Reverend Mr. Garrison vs. The United States. An important decision has been made in the Court of Claims, affecting many claimants who were officers of the army during the late war. It is to the effect that the servants' allowance of all officers who were in service at any time between the 1st of May, 1864, and the 31st of March, 1865, should be equal to the pay of a private soldier during that time for each month absent and employed. A only \$11 per month for those intervening ten months was paid, instead of the \$16 authorized, every officer will be entitled to \$60 additional for each servant employed. The whole amount collectible under the decision is estimated to be about \$1,000,000.

Customs Receipts. The following are the receipts from the 1st of Jan. to the 31st of Dec. 1866: New York, \$2,287,243; Boston, \$277,244; Philadelphia, \$1,177; Baltimore, \$107,624. From New Orleans, for the week ending January 13, the receipts were \$20,000. Total, \$3,090,914. The receipts for internal revenue to-day were only \$228,976.

United States Supreme Court. In the United States Supreme Court the following cases were today taken up:—

Mr. 54, State vs. plaintiff in error, vs. Shepherd—Bill to test the title of a certain law. Case argued.

No. 125, Wm. F. Purcell, appellant, vs. Johnson et al.—Bill for specific performance. Case argued.

No. 140, Wm. F. Purcell, appellant, vs. Johnson et al.—Bill for specific performance. Case argued.

No. 141, Wm. F. Purcell, appellant, vs. Johnson et al.—Bill for specific performance. Case argued.

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