

MEMPHIS APPEAL
SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 1875.
A PERSONAL LIBERTY BILL.

The passage of the civil rights bill is not now producing a single ripple upon the stream of southern thought. For while there was apprehension, and demonstrations of a self-important nature were increased, but after one or two experiments the blacks subsided, and everything moved on as usual. Then came Judge Emmons's decision, exposing the unconstitutionality of the bill. Since then the bill has been slowly and steadily advanced. The colored people are following the plot instead of claiming equality on railroad coaches. They are laboring for meat and bread to feed their hungry children, instead of hammering at the door, clamoring for admission to the theater, but it is the farmers' broad fields whose orchards are the music made by happy wife and prattling children, and on which they propose to play the part of good citizens, receiving the applause of their neighbors and the tranquility of the western and southern States are terrified except about the civil rights bill. They look upon it as a hobgoblin, and are determined to strangle the monster. If the judges are as just as the bill will be, the bill will be strangled. In order to show the hostility of the northern people to the civil rights bill, and their determination to obstruct and defeat its provisions, we extract the following from an article in the Memphis Commercial Appeal, published on the 25th inst. Twenty years or more ago the Republican party passed, in eleven of the northern States, what they called personal liberty bills. They were intended to obstruct and defeat the execution of the fugitive slave laws which had been passed by the congress of the United States in 1850. They denied the use of the State jails to confine fugitive slaves. They authorized interference with those who had fugitives in custody upon the part of the United States marshal. They authorized the discharge of United States commissioners from holding any State office. They contained a provision against kidnaping, which virtually made it dangerous for any person to claim a negro slave unless he was willing to risk confinement in the penitentiary. There were other articles of a similar character. Now we would suggest to the Democratic general assembly of Ohio and of other States to study those laws, one of which was passed in Ohio, and adopt copies thereof, so far as they could be copied, into their State constitution. Why not copy the one of our State jail to every person arrested under the unconstitutional act? Why not enact that it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of a county and the attorney-general of the State to defend the individual who is arrested under the unconstitutional act, and in all instances make the costs payable by the State. This is necessary to protect the rights of the people of Ohio. Otherwise there is not an innkeeper, Republican or Democrat, in the State, or the owner of any shop or office, or any other person, who is not liable to malitious prosecution under this abominable and odious act. A man may be arrested, say in Highland county, and brought to Cincinnati to answer to a charge of kidnapping. The charge is false; but he has to travel a hundred miles, bring sureties with him at a heavy expense in order to give bail for his appearance at court. Then the case may be continued for years, to the great expense to the party of an innocent party. It is the duty of the State to guard so far as it can against these encroachments upon individual rights and public justice. The law should clothe the governor with power to remove any State officer who does not see fit to defend the accused. The publicans can not complain of such acts as these, for they would be a mere copy of precedents they had set for the advantage of the few, while that which we recommend would be for the advantage of the many. Let our laws, our constitution, our State constitution, be in favor of the innocent and against the guilty. Let our laws be in favor of the State's power legitimately arrayed against it.

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justice in the complaint. But the public school are open to their children, where will be found a just proportion of Catholic teachers, and if they do not see proper to avail themselves of a common fund created for the good of all, the fault is their own. If one religious denomination demands a share of the common fund, and with it the services of a sectarian school, others will do the same thing, and the result will be the destruction of all free schools, and poor children will be brought up in ignorance and vice.

THE TRIAL OF FORTY-ONE SLAVES.
Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

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GEORGIA NEWS.

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FLORIDA NEWS.

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ALABAMA.

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SECTARIAN SCHOOLS.

Sectarian schools. Public schools can not be conducted in the interest of any particular sect. From one end of the Union to the other many Catholics are attacking public free schools, and demanding that the State should be required to support them. In discussing the question we do so without regard to religious prejudices. Should the Catholics succeed in their demand, there would soon be an end to our system of free schools. If Catholic schools are to be supported at the public expense, the same thing should be done with equal propriety and fairness for the Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, and every other denomination of Christians, and every other denomination of Christians, and every other denomination of Christians.

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