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The bribery investigation committee not yet reported.

Much discussion is going on in Gallatin over the proposed abolitition of the charter.

Peter Peterson, of Henderson county, killed a hog on the 29th that weighed 744 pounds.

Gen A W Campbell of Jackson, is a candidate for Congress. He is a gifted and a strong man.

Guiteau to be hung June 30th. Glad the case has ended that the murderer will get his reward.

Judges Deadrick and Ewing sustained the 100-3 bill and Turney, McFarland and Freeman opposed it.

Senator B M Tillman of McNairy will be a candidate for Congress from his district. He is a capable and pure man and deserves success.

The Nashville American says: "The Democrats will co-operate with anybody to relieve the state of this incubus and wipe out this disgrace." Is not this a bid for Republican co-operation?

The 100-3 bill of settlement mortgaged the revenues of the state in advance of their collection and that, too, for ninety nine years. This proposition, in all conscience was enough to kill the bill, not considering the bribery filth attached to it.

## THE 100-3 DEAD.

On last Saturday the Supreme Court by a majority of three to two decided the 100-3 bill unconstitutional and thus made memorable another Declaration of Independence. As we believed and predicted would be done, this august tribunal put its seal of condemnation upon the coupon mortgage and delivered the state out of the clutches of a formidable ring of corrupt and grasping lobbyists. Irrespective of parties and factions, the people rejoice that this bill is thus formally and finally buried beyond the hope of resurrection.

In the presence of this judicial fact, the state debt as an original proposition comes before the people for prompt and equitable adjustment.

The first and prime duty of the hour is to re-unite the shattered fragments of a once unbroken democracy. A disunited and demoralized democracy made possible and easy the passage of that Republican legislative enactment, the 100-3 bill, with all its attendant bargain and sale enormities.

And now it is the mission and duty of a united democratic party to lay hold on this debt question and effect a settlement, honorable to the state and just to the creditor.

Let it not be understood that the people favor repudiation. Their intelligence and worthful manhood recoil at such a debasing suggestion. They would settle the debt upon a basis of 50-4 or some other equally advantageous proposition and be true to its terms.

We now plead for an active and cordial co-operation of all party elements to the end that in district, county and state conventions, democrats will lose sight of their hitherto Wright or Wilson predilections and come together to combine and compact the party, that the democracy may be fitted and prepared to make a settlement acceptable to both creditor and debtor and that the Republicans may never again have a chance to give birth to another 100-3 bastard child. Let crimination and recrimination cease over former disputed issues and let us look ahead and plan and work to reconstruct and reorganize the democracy that she may wisely meet the responsibilities and necessities awaiting the future of our great state.

## WAIT.

It is rumored that Gov. Hawkins will assemble the Legislature soon to consider again the state debt question. We hope he will do no such thing. The legislature as at present constituted, does not properly represent the people on this important question. It represents nothing but an acrimonious era of public sentiment in the state, and is not fitted to voice the wishes of the people. He, as a republican, may wish his republican legislature to handle the question in the interest of party but the fifty thousand democratic majority in the state confront him with the demand that they have a say so in the matter. Moreover corruption charges bedraggle the skirts of too many members of the body to give any degree of respectability and force to a what they may do. Wait until a legislature is elected fresh from the body of the people.

The new Postmaster General has made one sensible ruling, to say the least, in declaring that when subscribers fail or refuse to take newspapers from the office, he shall become responsible to the paper unless he notifies the publisher of the fact. Some postmasters enjoy the reading themselves, or give them out to friends for months, while the publisher is all the time thinking his subscriber gets the paper. This is a fair and sensible decision, and will doubtless have a good effect.

## LET IT COME.

A formidable revolution is sweeping over the country. Foremost men of the nation, in church and state, are guiding and strengthening the movement. Society seems everywhere struggling to throw off the crushing yoke of strong drink. From the lakes to gulf, every section is contributing its influence to stay the cruel and bloody sway of whisky. Prohibition is gaining overwhelming majorities in many great states and politicians stand aghast at the silent but irresistible progress of the temperance reformation.

Tennessee is moving to place herself in line with her sister states on this important question. The people are being aroused to unite and co-operate with each other to make their influence felt throught effective legislative enactments. There is a manifest and marked disposition among voters to send true, incorruptible, sober men to the legislature. The Capitol has already become notorious as a convenient and fashionable whisky depot during legislative sessions. No wonder corruption stalks in open day-light through the corridors of that majestic building when blasted legislators drown conscience and sense by tapping those accessible wine vats. The people are speedily and surely realizing the fact that either local option or prohibition is an imperative demand of the times. The waste of property, life, human happiness, and the hopes of the rising generation, cry aloud to every father and son to give their vote and voice to drive this demon out of every county in the state.

No wonder wailings of distress are heard issuing from our homes, when whisky is crushing woman's heart and impoverishing helpless, innocent childhood. No citizen, no well-wisher of his kind, however humble he may be, can hesitate to throw the might of his name and influence in the scale of temperance, when every interest of society is blighted and wasted by whisky. Show your colors and stand or fall by the right.

## LOCAL.

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Hon. J. W. Purviance, of McNairy Independent, has recently purchased an orange farm in Florida.

No man can go into bad company without suffering for it. The homely old proverb has it very tersely: "A man can't bite the bottom of a frying-pan without smuttering his nose."

Teacher: "John, what are your boots made of?" Boy: "Of leather." "Where does the leather come from?" "From the hide of the ox." "What animal; therefore, supplies you with boots and gives you meat to eat?" "My father."

A man employed as porter in a Texas hotel lifted up a piano not long ago and carried it up one flight. He got hold of it in the darkness by mistake, thinking he was carrying the trunk of a Boston drummer.

Within the last few weeks Michigan men have purchased 28,000 acres of timbered land in Calcasieu Parish, La., a portion of which is adjacent to the Sasine River. These parties mean to erect mills and convert the timber into lumber.—Orange Tribune.

Flax in Oregon, and also in Washington Territory, promises to become an important crop. Its excellence has been demonstrated by several shipments to Belfast, and a movement is on foot to establish a linen manufactory on Puget Sound.

## MARDI-GRAS IN 1882.

Through our New Orleans exchanges, and from parties who have lately visited the Crescent City, we learn the greatest activity exists among the official of Carnival Court, and the whole city already resounds with the din of preparation for this the Carnival of 1882, which is to eclipse all preceeding ones in the grandeur of its conception, the magnificence of its pageants, and the unparalelled gorgeousness of its Oriental spectacular displays.

The city is just entering on era of improvement and success, and the different secret organizations have determined that the Carnival of this year shall be in keeping with the spirit of advancement which is manifested in all business enterprises, and has given new life to the winter city of this Continent and the favorite capital of "His Majesty King Rex."

This year, the Gods and Goddesses of Mirth and Jollity have taken the Seasons under their special control, and the heavens smile propitious on the fast-coming festivities.

The programme will open on Thursday evening, Febuary 16th, with a grand illuminated street pageant and moving tableaux, by the Knights of Momus, a society rivalling the Mystic Krew of Comus in the splendor and brilliancy with which they carry out every detail of the living pictures they represent, and whose very name is a guarantee for an entertainment wonderful in its magnificence and instructive in its subject. This display is looked forward to with much interest as the general introduction of the Electric light at the hotels, theatres and prominent business houses, will of itself be a feature of the evening and will add a thousand fold to the magnificence of the display.

After the street parade, there will be tableaux and a grand "Bal Masque" at the French Opera House, and the week will be filled out by a series of balls and public entertainment which will give amusement to all.

On Monday, Febuary 20th, at about 2 p. m., amid the booming of cannon, the salutes of the steamers and shipping, the cheers of the gathered multitude, the waving of handkerchiefs and smiles of the assemble beauty of New Orleans, the "Good King Rex," the glorious Monarch of the Carnival, will disembark at the head of Canal street, where he will be received with military honors by the National Guard, after which, surrounded by the troops of his household, and escorted by the State military, he will pass through the principal streets to the City Hall, where he will be met by the Mayor and city officials, and will there receive from them the keys of the city, and resume the power delegated to them before leaving for his Eastern home last year.

In the evening, the new society, "The Knights of Proteus," will make their first appearance in a grand illuminated street pageant.

On Tuesday, Febuary 21st, at noon the revelry and jollity of "Mardi-Gras" will take shape under the control of "King Rex," when he assumes personal command of his loving subjects, and crowned with jewels, and decked in crimson and gold, he moves with majestic mien and kindly grace through the streets of his fovorite city, accompanied by georgeously attired courtiers, members of his household, slaves, etc., and guarded by squadron after squadron of his choicest and bravest troops, chosen from the chivalry of every land, and speaking every language under the sun. Words are not adequate to the description of the grandeur of the scene, the richness of the dresses, and brightness of the arms and equipment—all the glamour and fantastic wonders of the brightest story of the "Arabian Knights," increased by childish imagination, are here surpassed, and the looker on leaves the fairy scene almost surfeited with the beauties he has witnessed, while "Rex" and his court (as is usual) retires in favor of his cousin, Comus.

As the procession disappears in the distance, and the crowd disperse for rest and refreshment, darkness creeps over the gay city, and now lights begin to glimmer, and building after building is illuminated until the streets are a blaze of light, and the crowd begins once more to gather for the crowning entertainment of the day.

"The Mystic Krew of Comus" is the veteran spectacular organization of America, and its displays are looked forward to as the event of the Carnival. This year they will excell all former efforts, and present a series of tableaus that will surpass in beauty and richness the pen pictures of Byron or the wealth of imagination of Moore and must be seen to be appreciated.

The Grand Ball, at the Opera House, and masked balls at the Academy of Music, St. Charles Theatre, and a dozen other places, will wind up the day's pleasure.

Wednesday, Febuary 22d, the local and visiting military will celebrate Washington's Birthday, and the display promises to surpass any former parade of our State traops.

The series of holidays will close with the anniversary and grand procession of the New Orleans Fire Department, on the 4th of March, which will be on a scale as elegant and imposing as has ever been witnessed, and will be in keeping with the entertainment preceding it.

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