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The Franchise Bill.

The Nashville Banner thus exposes the enormities of the Franchise bill, now pending in the Legislature:

The Franchise bill reverses the universal presumption of law, that all men accused are innocent until the contrary is proven. It presumes, on the contrary, that all men are disloyal and not to be frusted with the right of suffrage, or to be believed upon oath, except the exempted class of individuals in the bill mentioned. It furthermore empowers the Governor of the State to appoint about eighty-four H AMILTON LODGE, F. A. A. M., OVER administer onths, etc. These Commissioners are to receive one handred dol-lars each—to be paid out of the State Treasury—and three dollars per day for attending the county courts at their quar-terly terms. The books and printed terly terms. The books and printed blanks are to be paid for at the expense of the State. Thus, the cost of registration of voters may be put down at an expense to the tax payers of the State, from fifteen to twenty thousand dollars. The people who are disfranchised and precluded from holding office by the bill sected by the standard equally with the favored. are to be taxed equally with the favored class to support and maintain a policy that degrades them, and denies to them the privilege of holding any office or voting in any election. The bill requires, in addition to the proof before the Com-missioner of two unconditional Union men, as to the loyalty of the applicant for a certificate, that he take an oath that he never did voluntarily aid the late rebellion against the United States.
The Commissioner has the power to require counter-proof, and refuse the certificate. It creates, in short, a court to deprive the people of their rights and privileges, unknown to the Constitution and laws of the land; and no appeal is given to reverse or revise the decision of this court. Its decisions are arbitrary M USIC, PIANOS, CABINET ORGANS, Musical Instruments and Musical Morchandise generally, at F. Katzenbach's, 317 Main street.

MASON & STEPHENS, COLLECTING MASON & taken away. An inquisition is applied to the citizen to make him give evidence against himself upon oath, in direct vio-lation of the Constitution. And no person can vote in any election in this State, except such as Gov. Brownlow's Com-missioner may be pleased to register and give a certificate. No person can hold any office in the State who cannot take the oath prescribed in the 3d section of the Franchise bill.

Now, who are to be the Commissioners appointed to register the voters? Are they to be citizens or foreigners? Are they to be citizens or foreigners? Are they to be white men or negroes? The bill does not say Without stopping to inquire whether Gov. Brownlow would

to do so. The 7th section of the hill provides that it shall be the duty of the Governor, before any State or other general or spe-cial election, to issue his writ of election to commanding officers of regiments, battalions, or detachments of officers and soldiers, who may be in the service of the State, or the United States, wherever located: and the officers shall open and hold an election, and make returns hold an election, and make returns thereof to the Secretary of State, and such votes shall be counted, etc. This wiolates the Constitution in this: no man, by the Constitution and laws of the Soventh and Chelses.

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Special Agent Treasury Department of the State of the State in the military service of the State in the military service of the State of the United States, at this time? Or, is it intended to confer the right of sufferge upon the negroes of

Representatives at an immense cost to the people. It was attempted to force its passage through that body, under the "previous question," to avoid debate and amendment. If that bill becomes around him, as if he were looking for a the law of the land a large majority of messenger, and single out and called to the law of the land, a large majority of the people of the State are robbed of their liberties and privileges—the whole power and control of affairs are lodged in the bands of the few. These are ques-tions which ought to interest any man who loves a republican form of government, and who desires to leave that form of government to his posterity. We ask the majority in the House of Representatives to divest themselves of all passion and prejudice, and calmly survey the ground; to consider the Bill of Rights and the provisions of the Constitution; to study the principles and theory of our Government, and to reflect that its children, as well as the children of the rest of us, must live together, and be one people, after their fathers had passed away; and surely, after such mature reflection, not one of them can give his assent to the passage of the Franchise bill.

A Reliable Report.

A Washington correspondent of the Jackson News furnishes the following report of a conversation with the Presi-

Mr. Johnson-I believe that every one understands my policy except those who won't understand it.

Citizen-In all great epochs of history, when the Executive is right, the people are pretty sure to support him, as the ex-ponent of a clear, well-defined policy, in

ponent of a clear, well-defined policy, in preference to the uncertain and unsatis-factory course of a legislative body. Mr. Johnson—Why, what does Congress propose to do? They have been in ses-sion four months, without having accom-plished anything. They have no defined

Citizen—Certainly, Mr. President, this is no question of privilege at all, that topic is entirely irrelevant; it is a simple

topic is entirely irrelevant; it is a simple question of policy.

Mr. Johnson—No one forces them to do anything. They are simply asked to complete the policy most beneficial to the whole country. Why do they not take some decided stand. Texas is now organizing her State government, if these gentlemen believe that the South is composed of subjugated territories, why do they not arrest the organization of Texas they not arrest the organization of Texas as a State. Why do they not oust her gubernatorial officers from their chairs, and declare Texas under Congressional

rule.

Citizen — The inconsistency of neknowledging Mr. Lincoln's State organiknowledging her present zation of Louisiana, and the present refusal to receive her Representatives. must strike the common sense of the

people with peculiar force.
Mr. Johnson—It was the same in Arkansas, and more so in Tennessee, which had organized a State government even as far back as 1862.

erence to Texas is considered a very strong point, and the most practical issue which the Radicals have had presented to them.

The Queen of England in Love.

London Cor. Cincinnati Commercial. I had nearly written royal scanda! for to tell the plain truth, the talk that now to tell the plain truth, the talk that now floats through private society in London is little less. I am pained to say that this gossip involves no less a personage than Queen Victoria. It has for a long time been on people's rongues, but it has a contain Governor of Virginia. time been on people's tongues, but it has appeared at last in the newspapers. It is said that the Queen has taken a prodigious liking to a very good-looking but Alabamians who wish Northern journals "ignoble" Scotchman named Brown, can evade the law, however, by procurwho was formerly a kind of out-door body servant to Prince Albert, and in-deed bears a strong resemblance to the constantly keeps him near her, at all her palaces, and in all her journeys to and from them. She consults her pet on all subjects, and takes his advice so absolutely that the rest of the royal household have become very jealous of him. The latest story is that she is going to Knight him. Marry him she cannot, for the law of the realm forbids her to marry one of her own subjects. It is very disa-greeable, nay, it is worse than disagree-able, to mention these things of one who,

I have refrained from speaking of these stories while they were merely talked of in private, but now they have become so notorious, and are so positively mentioned in English papers, that I can no longer regard them as empty tales.

Depraved Tasto.

As incidents, illustrating the times and As incidents, illustrating the times and their fashion at the French Imperial Court, our readers may be glad, or sorry, to know that, at the late grand fancy ball at the Tuileries, the Count de Nieuwerkerke appeared and danced as Poatius Pilate. The Count de Choiseul-whose mother, the Duchess of Praslin, was murdered by his father, the Duke-dressed as old Time, experted after the was murdered by his father, the Duke-dressed as old Time, capered after the well-known Countess de Castiglione, and, of course, failed to overtake her. But more conspicuous than all was the young Marchioness of Gallifet, as the Archangel Gabriel. She wore a short, gold-embroidered petticoat of white cashmere, with glittering gold scale-armour, fitting tight to the shape. Above her long, flowing, golden hair blazed a diamond star, which literally seemed to hang unsupported in the air. Her wings arched over her head, and reached to beneath her knees. As she danced, she brandished the sword of the archengel in her ed the sword of the archangel in her hand, and altogether, perhaps, made the master of the rout look as thoughtful as is said to have looked .- Home Jour-

A Missionary Adventure with Cannibals An English missionary, who describes life in New Zealand in the last number

Tennessee who are now in the service of the United States? The imaginage of the section is silent as to color.

The loregoing are some of the provisions of the Franchise Bill, which has eccupied so much time in the House of

messenger, and singled out and called to a fine young lad, apparently about eigh-teen years of age. The boy came and stood before him, and before I knew what he was about to do, and having my back he was about to do, and having my back turned to him, looking at the fruit, etc. I heard the sound as of a heavy blow, and looking quickly around found the still quivering body of the boy laid at my feet, with the words 'Hevi ano te kui?' (Is that food sufficient for you?) Horror stricken I denounced most bitterly the deed, and leaving all the provisions behind on the ground, returned sorrowfully to my ship."

Destitute Colored People.

to my ship.

It is reported that destitute negoes all ages and both sexes crowd all the Southern cities. At New Orleans there are 75,000, and 30,000 are subsisting on public charity at Washington. The support of these unfortunate people, and their return, if possible, to habits of labor, are among the greatest social problems of the day. An appropriation of \$25,000 for the support of the destitute negroes in the neighborhood of

Washington, has just passed the Sen ate. What is above said of Wash ington and New Orleans is true also of smaller towns. Not long since Yorktown and Williamsburg, Va., were crowded with colored fugitives, supported by the Government, when the farmers and mill-owners in the adjoining county of Mathews were offering higher wages than white men get for the same work in Del-aware, and yet could get no help from the towns.—Phil. Ledger.

Out of Temper.

An English weekly gives the following An English weekly gives the following paragraph a prominent position:—'An American pirate is said to have put to sea under the Fenian colors. She is a large vessel and her departure from New York is known to the authorities very well. These pirates will have about as much chance as any other American vessel manned by Yankee pirates would have. There will be a yard arm for them all, and we trust no Exeter Hall sentimentalist will attempt to weep over their mentalist will attempt to weep over their destruction, and bring the captain to discredit if he does his duty in this case, as ex-Governor Eyre did in his. If the American Government have allowed this vessel to proceed to sea, knowing her character, the contempt of the whole civilized world is her due." You don't

Distribution of Troops.

By a report transmitted to Congress, it appears that on January 9th there were 103,936 troops in the service of the United States, of whom 41,744 have since been ordered to be mustered out of service. This is not the whole of the United States army however. Citizen—I am acquainted with foreign capitalists auxious to invest money
in the South, and only awaiting the success of your policy.

Mr. Johnson—I feel sure that the
South would soon regain her material
prosperity, if political difficulties were
fully settled.

The account of this interview was The account of this interview was 10,890; Tennessee, 10,684; Alabama, given to your correspondent by "Cities and is the only correct and verbatim report that has gone to the country, I may mention that the remark with ref. 3,106; Georgia, 1,063. There were no troops in Maryland, Florids or Kentucky.

Northern Periodicals in Alabama.

have Northern literature introduced within her borders. Her Legislature has passed a tax law compelling all news dealers to pay an annual license fee of mated a certain Governor of Virginia, who declared to his great joy, that there were no schools within his jurisdiction. can evade the law, however, by procuring them through the mails. The Postoffice is an institution that the Alabama Legislature cannot tax out of existence.

"America" in a Ball Room.

At a fancy dress jete, given in Paris, ladies represented the continents of the world, and, says a correspondent: "America was certainly the most effective costume. That immense continent was personated by the beautiful, delicate looking Miss Carter, who wore a white dress with a sky-blue satin peplum over greeable, nay, it is worse than disagreeable, to mention these things of one who, as wife and mother and Queen, has so diamond stars, doubtless to recall the high a place in the reverence of the stars on the United States flag. America was always followed by another beautiful young girl, very simply dressed, to per-sonate, it was said, but I know not with what troth, a released slave.

Important to Widows.

We clip the following statement from the Georgia Federal Union:—We have good authority for saying that all men over the age of sixty-five, who took no part in the war, and all widows (at the time General Sherman's army injured their property,) will be re-imbursed by the United States Government for damagea. The assessor is already at work in the neighboring county of Hancock, ascertaining damages, so far as respects the two classes of our people above named. This will be gratifying intelligence to many of our afflicted and suffering people. ering people.

Marriage of a Nun in Italy.

The Italian papers mention that a marriage, in accordance with the new civil law, and without the intervention of the Church, has just been celebrated at Seeli, in Sicily, between a barrister Guglielmus Caruso, and a nun of the order of St Theresa, named Maria Pisani, known as Sister Maria Annunciata. The parents of the bride not only gave their consent, but a downvalse. All the principal families of the neighborthe principal families of the neighbor-hood, together with the local authorities, were present at the ceremony.

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