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TO ALL CONCERNED.

I have received from Mr. Fitzgerald, P. M., at this place, a large number of letters from every point, which will be delivered at the Natchitoches Times Office for the convenience of this community.

Letters for New Orleans will be forwarded with dispatch.

LOUIS DUPLIX. Jan 24th.

Good News.—A Part of our supply of paper has at last been received.

We have for sale a varied assortment of fancy letter paper, envelopes &c.

We would call the attention to the advertisement of Haskins & Co., in another column.

In the last appointments by the Governor, we find: Abner Nash Ogden, District Attorney, Ninth Judicial Division Natchitoches, Sabine, Winn and Rapides parishes.

Chas. A. Bullard, Notary Public and Justice of the Peace for Natchitoches, vice F. Williams, deceased.

A few days ago, a duel was fought, at or near O-yka, Miss., between Mr. Linet, Editor of the "Dee" and Mr. Lafrene, of the "Renaissance Louisianaise."

Contracts.—In many instances, as the echo of public opinion and in the interest of the public, we advised the planters of their duties in passing contracts.

What will be the use of a freedmen's Bureau in the Parish, if not to comply with its instructions?

FRESH OYSTERS.—Jake Brown the King of our Oyster Saloons in this town, is daily in receipt of fresh Oysters, which are cooked at his establishment in the best style.

TUESDAY.—Our parish, from end to end to the other is infested by a gang of thieves.

COTTON TRADING.—We understand that several parties were caught transporting and carrying off cotton from the cargo of the sunken Steamer Fleta in the vicinity of Campt, by the officers of the Boat. They were made to unload their waggons of the stolen cotton, sign written acknowledgments and haul back to the boat a number of bales they had already succeeded in moving ten miles away from the boat.

Mrs. Grundy is opposed to gambling. She says a R. D. S. is like that of, to destroy Faro and all his hosts.

THE RADICALS.

The Radicals in the United States Congress seem disposed to complete the humiliation, degradation and, if possible, the final ruin of the South.

They regard the South as a conquered province and are preparing to legislate for them as such; and ignore the theory of the Constitution, which is understood to be, that the United States cannot, by an act of war reduce any of the States of this Union to a Territorial condition.

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Our Special Correspondent.

SENATE CHAMBER, N. O., Jan. 30th 1866.

FRIEND DUPLIX—Ever since you have had the sudden death of the venerable Ex-Governor A. B. Roman, the Senate and House of Representatives have been discussing the resolution of adjournment over and over again, in respect to his memory.

You will observe from the papers I send you that the Legislature is but dragging along, doing almost nothing. A quietus having been put to the Convention question in the House until March at least, the question comes up to-day in the Senate, and the impression is that it will be postponed to an almost indefinite day.

I am decidedly in favor of a convention, but the grounds are a little too hazy at present for action, and were you and your readers here, you would agree with me in my opinion.

Another letter I may discuss the question The new paper will give you in detail the action of the two Houses. One of the great questions to come up in a day or two, is a Bill for purposes of revenue. It will come I think in the shape of an omnibus Bill, and will mix with but little ceremony in the Senate. It is said to be for the most important Bill of the Session, as it is that alone can give almost to our impotent and ailing State Government, every thing which is needed to sustain a few of our industries, such as lottery tickets, patent medicines, gambling houses, steamboat bars and houses of private luxury &c. &c. The amount of revenue to be raised is \$1,000,000. Our treasury must be replenished, or we cease to be the representatives of a State Government.

The City is still full to overflowing—amassed to suit the most fastidious. There is one thing of general remark, and that is the sudden exodus of the local freedmen from the streets. The question is where are they? They have disappeared into the country by the rickety carts of General Canby's late order, or have gone out to work. One thing I trust you will not forget on the streets, and our people who have had it very difficult to breathe even a half dozen who are willing to go up Red River. AU REVOLUR.

Death of Ex-Gov. Roman.

The following are the appropriate and touching remarks of Senator Bailey in the Senate on yesterday in alluding to the sudden death of Gov. Roman, and also the resolutions of respect offered to him and adopted by the Senate.

Mr. President.—The intelligence which has just come to us, through the medium of the other House, is indeed a sad and melancholy character. One of our most distinguished citizens is no more. Gov. A. B. Roman died suddenly on yesterday, in one of the streets of this city, of disease of the heart.

Gov. Roman was indeed a distinguished citizen, distinguished by his public services, his integrity and his agreeable qualities his high sense of honor and his hospitality—distinguished by the evidence he gave of the world how exemplary conduct in every condition and under all circumstances gives moral weight to character in the estimation of his peers and sustains the courage of the individual lions if under adverse circumstances and through all the vicissitudes of life.

The deceased was, when first I knew him, what I was about thirty five or forty years ago, filling the chair of Speaker of the House of Representatives of our General Assembly. He was called by a very large vote of his fellow citizens to be the Chief Magistrate of our State, which trust he fulfilled to the entire satisfaction of the public. He was elected a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1845, and there are those around me who have performed the duties of chairman of the Committee on General Legislation in that body, a committee to which was referred the perfecting of articles the most important in the constitution of 1842.

In short, in all public trusts, in all private engagements and in all responsibilities, he stood before the world honored and beloved. In the trials of his life, he has shed commendations, which trials prohibited, hastened his death, with a patriotic steadfastness and inflexibility of character, he attracted the admiration of every one, even of those who in vain and broke up his home. He lives for his country no longer, except in the brightness and usefulness of his excellent example.

I submit, Mr. President, for the consideration of the Senate, the following resolutions: Resolved, That the Senate have learned with grief the death of the late Gov. A. B. Roman, of the parish of St. James.

Resolved, That in respect for the memory of the deceased, the Senate do now adjourn to meet again in the Senate hall at 3 P. M., this day, to accompany in a body the remains of the deceased to the steamer, which is to convey them for interment to the parish of St. James.

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WOMEN.

FRIEND DUPLIX—The subject of women's rights has been a question of no small importance, and has been discussed in various parts of the country, but it is not until recently that it has become a subject of general interest.

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To a Miss. of Natchitoches.

Canst't not reciprocate the love's devotion? Lately on thy best beloved Friendship alone seems thy portion. Thy cold nature is allowed.

Once thou thought'st sincerely Affection kind to return; But now that I partake so dearly Love from friendship to discern.

Love's pains to deeply feel'd thy frozen heart— Subluted so solemnly: And I need thee when thou art.

I wonder not at thy coldness, As the ocean is betrayed; And sympathize with thy loneliness— Since true canst not reciprocate. A. H. B. Natchitoches, February 4 1865.

ADDRESS TO THE OCEAN.

By MISS HOGART. "Majesty's Ocean! Thou at least by time Art still obedient! Here do thy restless waves Still rise and foam and dash with idle rage."

And send their fury on the unconcerned shores. Thou! I don't meek through the dim, misty shades Of parted waves, and while I stand amid Upon thy cap-splashed banks, past memories rise.

Like miral moments, crowded into one Together with my life, I seem to feel The truth of early life's struggle again; How on my lonely, rugged shore, still The fresh breeze play and round me come.

Like some sweet spirit of my infancy, Oh, who would I't not, when sick of the world's pains And in private and capacious pride, And idle pleasures and hollow joys, And dreaming fancies, and deceitful shows— Who would not turn to such a scene as this!

And grieve and delight to catch Some far-off, wandering feeling of the heart. Brought home by the solitude and beauty Of G's created works?"

REBELS.

A bill has been brought before the Missouri Legislature, to give it a point of view address any one who has held the rank of officer in the Confederate service without prefixing to his name the epithet "rebel."

It has not passed as yet, but from the character of that bill it is not improbable that it may, for nothing seems so absurd or so unavailing for its members to endorse.

Now suppose it should pass, how will it affect the rebel? Will it first that character in their own estimation or to their neighbors? O' what is his purpose? Is it to perpetuate distinctions between citizens of the same state, to keep up party lines and to array one class of the population against the other. If so, it is a dangerous policy this drawing the line between those who were loyal to the Federal Government and those who were loyal to the State. A wise statesman, not to say a true patriot, would do all that in him lay to obliterate such distinctions and to make the people homogeneous in mind and feelings. Not so, however these legislative madmen of Missouri! They delight in going the people past endurance, exasperating them beyond the bounds of human forbearance, perpetuating angry passions, and preserving rancorous memories, in stirring up old hatreds and recollections, in dragging out the wounds of the past, in upping the troubled waters in not their fort.

The purpose of this silly, but vindictive attempt at legislation is clear enough, but if it pass it will do to injure the meek against the angry. It will, indeed, add to the infamy of the Legislature in which it originated, if anything could add to the infamy of a body that passed the Missouri Fugitive Law; but that is all, for though aspiring to be a law, it is not a law, and will be treated as such by the people.

It is not a disgraceful name in the eyes of the people, indeed ever since the days of Washington it has been a title of distinction, a synonyme for men who abhorred tyranny from their very souls, and who were willing to risk life and all that makes life dear for its overthrow. If then the Missouri Legislature will fasten upon the Confederates within the bounds of the State, the name of "rebel," it is not to be wondered at that the people will not be slow to do so.

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