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Saturday, March 31, 1888.

Democratic State Ticket.

For Governor, FRANCIS T. NICHOLLS, of Orleans.

For Lieutenant Governor, JAMES J. FLETCHER, of Jefferson.

For Secretary of State, LEONARD F. MASON, of Concordia.

For Treasurer, WILLIAM H. PILES, of East Feliciana.

For Attorney General, WALTER H. ROGERS, of Orleans.

For Auditor, O. B. STEELE, of Union.

For Superintendent of Public Education, JOSEPH A. BREAU, of Iberia.

Senatorial Ticket: For Senators in 23rd District, JNO. S. BOATNER, of Ouachita, I. I. DAVIS, of Caldwell.

Parish Ticket: For Representative of Richland Parish, H. P. WELLS.

For Clerk 97th Dist. Court for Richland Parishes, Q. B. BRUMBY.

For Sheriff of Richland Parish, LEM SCOTT.

THE PLATFORM.

We, the Democracy of the State of Louisiana, in convention assembled, do announce and declare—

First—Our devotion to the time-honored principles of the Democratic party as proclaimed by its founder, Thomas Jefferson, believing that their recognition and enforcement are essential to the maintenance of free institutions and popular government.

Second—That we endorse the administration of Grover Cleveland, and believe that the interests of the nation will be best served by his re-election; we also endorse the administration of Samuel Douglas McEnery, as a recognition of the eminent services to the State of a faithful public servant; and we affirm that the administration of public affairs in Louisiana has, during the last twelve years, brought the State out of anarchy, developed wealth and prosperity, and paved the way to the high position Louisiana is entitled to among the States. And we pledge ourselves to its perpetuation.

Third—We pledge ourselves to an economical administration of public affairs, to the maintenance of the State credit by limiting appropriations to the amount of the revenues, and to the limitation of the State debt, and the prompt payment of the interest on the same as no longer delayed by law.

Fourth—That the levee system of the State is a necessity for the protection of the lives and property of our citizens, and we pledge ourselves to develop, maintain and protect the same to the fullest extent consistent with the finances of the State as absolutely essential to the happiness and prosperity of our people.

Fifth—We pledge the Democratic party of this State to an earnest effort to place the free public schools of this State upon a substantial and satisfactory basis, and to that end the legislature is requested to appropriate a sufficient amount from the annual revenues of the State to provide for the suitable education of the children of this State.

Sixth—That it is the duty of the State to foster and to improve all of its great agricultural interests by adequate legislation for their development and promotion, and especially by the encouragement and maintenance of the agricultural college and the present and proposed State experiment station, and by all other legislation in the special interest of agriculture.

Seventh—We are opposed to the employment of the penitentiary convict of the state in such manner as to bring the convict labor in competition with free labor.

Eighth—We favor the settlement of Louisiana immigrants from all lands, with the assurance that they shall find here a hearty welcome and a happy home.

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Check of the Police Jury, Jno. F. Lavallee.

The report of high water in the north-west continues, large quantities of ice coming down the Ohio. It is a long way up and may not do any damage here. The weather has been bad for some work thus increasing the danger of the flood.

Gen. Nicholls Visits Gov. McEnery.

Gov. Nicholls remained over yesterday until the 2:50 o'clock p. m. south-bound train, and in the forenoon paid a visit to Gov. and Mrs. S. D. McEnery, after which Gov. McEnery returned his call, the two distinguished gentlemen then spending some time in friendly conversation. We are pleased to state that the change of air and the trip seemed to have benefited Gov. Nicholls very much, and that though quite weak from his recent temporary illness, he appears now in a fair way to rapid and entire recovery. During his visit many citizens called on him to pay their respects, and among these were quite a number of McEnerrites, who are now giving Gen. Nicholls a hearty support.—Capitolian-Advocate.

Dr. Brumby came out to Rayville Wednesday. The doctor resorts to think strange that the resolutions Mr. Ivy and others had published was marked. We often get papers with a pencil mark and don't think anything of it, and never thought for once that anyone could be displeased at such a thing. In a political contest so hot everything is magnified and made hills rise into mountains.

The meeting on the 20th ratified the nomination of Capt. H. P. Wells for Representative.

We were kept busy all day and did not go up stairs. We return our grateful thanks to the gentlemen who proposed to endorse us for elect. Of course we declined. Our selfish party discipline would prevent us from doing anything that would have the least appearance of opposition to the action of a democratic organization. We must lose sight of the individual feeling and work for the democratic party.

A newspaper man gathers a little news here and there. If he even publishes an item from the current news of the day some one will take offense. Some put it up that he only has a right to publish that which is "authorized and requested to be published." It would certainly be a slow process to get a special written permission to publish everything that transpires.

Circumspection seems to be the great desideratum now. If we speak encouragingly of one another takes offense. We are presumed to know that one is the rival of another. We certainly live in a fast age. Boys become men at fifteen and so it goes. All expect notice.

Arthur Wright and Robt' Moon went over to Cooper's Institute recently and we hear that measles prevail in that college. It is hard to keep measles out of our schools.

Our contemporary of the DeSoto Democrat, in paying a richly deserved compliment to Gov. McEnery for his efforts in this campaign, is decidedly severe upon Judge White and other officers who entered warmly into the contest when only blank cartridges were being used, but are now conspicuous by their absence. We do not know why Judge White is not in the field, but there is no question but Gen. Nicholls would have made a just canvass with the governor if the state of his health had permitted.—Shreveport Times.

We noticed too the conspicuous absence of Judge White. We were not surprised however, for a man who ingeniously prepared his campaign speeches after forcing a ticket upon the Democracy is not apt to assist in landing it. Oh, consistency!

Editor Mangham, of the Richland Beacon, is not a candidate for any office, but is the recipient of many nice compliments, paid him for efficient duty, rendered the people of his parish, in the capacity of deputy Recorder.—Caldwell Watchman.

Thanks for the compliment, neighbor, but the editor was the only Recorder Richland ever had.

It was said that the only way to defeat him was to abolish the office, which was done in the Constitution of 1873, which robbed him out of 11 months of his third term as recorder.

Our den was invaded during the week by two of our fellow pressmen, Mr. W. J. Gray, of the West Carroll Messenger, and Mr. S. D. Parre, of the Ruston Calligraph. These gentlemen were attendants upon the convention, with pocket loads of proxies. We perfected a contract, signed, sealed and delivered, by the terms of which we are to meet them at the Opelousas Press Association in May and they are to be our special escort and guardian against the seductive wiles of Brother Mangham, of the Richland Beacon.—Morehouse Clarion.

We will be along neighbor, if we can make the rise of the "spondulix" and it will not require much of that as we will all be provided with accommodations unless some of us should turn up in the calaboose, which institution we have avoided thus far.

John L. Sullivan and Charles Mitchell fought a prize fight near Cecil in France Saturday. After thirty-nine rounds the fight was declared a draw. This would be a great disappointment to those Americans who should believe able to knock any titled Britcher out in a very few rounds.—Commonwealth Herald.

CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED. To the Editors—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use the chances of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy free to any of your readers who live consumption if they will send me their express and post office address.—T. A. SLOCUM, M. D., 181 Pearl St., New York.

STATE IMMIGRATION ASSOCIATION.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 21st, 1888. To the Editor of the Beacon.

DEAR SIR—The Immigration Association of Louisiana, would appreciate any assistance and encouragement you may give them, and we offer the suggestion that you might consider inserting in your paper, an advertisement requesting the people of your parish to forward to this office descriptions of the land they have for sale, with its price per acre, its character of soil, how much cleared over the land, containing, and how much and what of timber is on it, the kind of agricultural production that flourish there, or if it is better suited to stock raising, and how it is watered, whether it is high and dry, or so low as to overflow.

We also wish to know if there are schools, not churches or no near the land, and if it is near a canal or river, with the name of said canal or river, also if the land is fenced and built up, and the assessment on it, with maps and plans of the parish, and other things of information that the parties are willing to furnish. We would suggest at a certain price be fixed on such a number of acres as landowners have in excess and are willing to dispose of we would be glad to purchase.

We feel that the press with us in the movement, and that you will give our cause as large a circulation as possible by editorial mention and otherwise.

This Association is controlled by an Executive Committee whose labor to secure immigration for Louisiana is entirely gratuitous. Yours truly, H. H. BAKER, Secretary.

NORTH LOUISIANA IMMIGRATION ASSOCIATION.

Shreveport, La., March 23d, 1888.

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to notify you that by resolutions of the Executive Committee of North Louisiana Immigration Association, you have been selected as the agent of said Association for your parish, to urge upon your Police Jury, at its first meeting, an appropriation for the benefit of this Association, to solicit contributions for same purpose from corporations and private individuals, and to forward as collected such contributions to J. M. Foster, treasurer of this Association, at Shreveport. You are further requested to collect all available statistics showing the resources of your parish, and to secure from all parties desiring to dispose of their lands, a description of same with the option in favor of this Association of buying same for as long time as can be secured and at lowest possible price, and to forward this information to E. C. Drew, secretary of this Association; address, Shreveport. The compensation which you will receive, is to be derived from the benefit which will accrue to your business through having your parish advertised under the auspices of this Association.

You are requested to notify me immediately of your acceptance of this appointment. E. C. DREW, Secretary.

LETTER FROM EUNICE.

My dear Papa—I received your very welcome letter Saturday. Papa, I did not know Myra Montgomery was dead. What was the matter with her?

I did not read the Beacon because I did not see any news (no much politics, Ed). Irma has been quite sick with the measles; they have not gone in on her yet. Mrs. Rudy wants Irma to get a piece of music called, "My First Music Lesson," by Will L. Thomson. She wants her to play it for the concert in May.

Your daughter, EUNICE M.

COMMUNICATEC.

Houston, Texas, March 24th, 1888.

DEAR BEACON—As my last letter came out in print I will write again. I am very well contented with my Texas home, but still I would like to go Rayville to stay a month or so and visit some of my relations. Papa is very seldom at home, so I miss him a great deal. My baby brother will be nine months old the 30th of this month, he weighs about 20 pounds at guess work, but he is a very large baby, he has six teeth, he tries to walk and he tries to talk some. I live next to a newspaper editor, and sometimes I try to read some of his editorials and he makes fun of me because I cannot read them.

I have no heard from Eunice and Minnie in a month or so. I am anxious to go to Independence next year to school. It is an elegant school, and Independence is a fine, wealthy old historical town. Fearing that my letter is growing monotonous I will close.

Your friend, HILLMAN KELLIS.

Give Dr. Tichenor's Antiseptic a fair trial and you will thank us for calling your attention to so valuable a remedy.

Illiterate Voters.

Mr. Springer, of Illinois, chairman of the committee on Territories, who opposes the division of Dakota into two States, giving two Republican Senators, and who wants to have all the Territories voted on in an omnibus bill, is the victim of the most savage denunciation on the part of the Republican press. It objects most emphatically to the proposition to admit New Mexico, not it declares, because that Territory would elect two Democratic Senators, as we might be inclined to believe, but because its people are ignorant and illiterate. The Democracy could raise such an objection if it desired, but the Republicans can scarcely put it forward after having conferred the ballot on 1,000,000 negroes, 10 per cent of whom could neither read nor write. Having given the ballot to these illiterates, because they were expected to vote the Republican ticket, that party is escapped from all discussion of illiteracy and the franchise.—Times-Democrat.

Children

Often need some safe cathartic and tonic to avert approaching sickness or to relieve colic, headache, sick stomach, indigestion, dysentery and the complaints incident to children. Let the children take Simmons' Liver Regulator and keep well. It is not only safe to take alone or in connection with other medicine. The Genuine has our Trade Mark "Z" in red on front of wrapper. J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia, Pa. ac19-1m

PERSONAL MENTION.

We saw on the train, passing through Friday, our friends, F. G. Bigham, J. B. West and Walter Farrar.

Col. A. B. Cooper was in Rayville Saturday and seems to be alive to the immigration movement.

Thos. Jones was in town Saturday. W. H. Douglie was in Rayville Saturday. Mr. Douglie complaining of not receiving his paper.

Capt. Scott was in town Saturday, and as usual, talking on politics. Let us forget for the time, politics and encourage this immigration movement.

We met several friends last week that we would like to have mentioned, but want of space precluded such notices.

On Friday the 23d we had a pleasant call from Col. Cook who was here for a time about twelve or fifteen years ago. He is in with the engineering corps now on the La. & Ark. R. R.

Col. Barber came out on the train Sunday. Miss George Wright has been in town this week visiting the Misses Childress.

A. J. Wright, Philip Wright, Mr. Douglie, Wm. Dandam and Mr. Thomas Jones were all in town from the other side of the river on Saturday last.

J. R. Hewitt and L. B. Edwards were in town Tuesday. Mr. Edwards goes to Alabama on a visit to relatives.

Capt. Ivy came in on Monday. J. H. Gull was in town on Tuesday. Mrs. S. F. Hall, from Ouachita parish came in on Tuesday to transact some business and returned on the evening train.

Wm. A. Boughton returned from New Orleans on Tuesday last and transacted some business on Wednesday.

Gen. W. Wright informs us that Bayou river is rising rapidly. Cause from recent rains.

Our young friend, Edward Tuche returned to the growing city of Birmingham on Wednesday last. He has been spending a few days with his father's family at this place. He speaks in glowing terms of the magic city.

Capt. Wells came out on Wednesday in response to an invitation to be here at the meeting of the citizens called here on 29th.

We had an appreciative call from our friends, D. S. Travis and N. B. Thomas from Delhi on Wednesday. They did not forget to pay for the Beacon.

The following young ladies from Delhi were visiting friends in Rayville this week: Misses Gordie Fontaine, Emma Mason, Maul McLenore, Franck Reed and Miss Emmiech, of Vicksburg, who was visiting friends in Delhi.

The following young men were also out from Delhi: Messrs. Geo. Meekins, F. A. Miles, Leon Karpe, Jno. Scott, Chas. Wathen and Will M. Brumby.

Miss Bell Eason, of Monroe, is on a visit to friends in town and the guest of Miss Katie Carter.

Miss Vasser Rogers, of near Girard, has been visiting friends in town this week.

J. Harry Rhymes was in town Wednesday.

Capt. Butler, Jno. A. Hemler, E. H. Williams, R. S. Hartley and J. B. Hardy were here from the Alto neighborhood.

A Candid Acknowledgment.

Extract from a letter of Dr. D. W. Atkinson, Sierra Springs, Ark.

"I know that many physicians are very much prejudiced against all proprietary medicines, and I think sometimes foolishly so. I am, however, willing to acknowledge merit wherever it is deserved. I have prescribed Simmons' Liver Regulator, and have given it a pretty thorough trial, myself, and think it deserves all the praise it receives. I have searched its use for the last five years and do not know of a more popular medicine. My patients praise it very highly and it gives good results wherever it is used."

FOR ALL DISORDERS OF THE Stomach, Liver and Bowels TAKE PACIFIC LIVER PILLS

STRICTLY VEGETABLE. Cure Constipation, Indigestion, Dropsy, Piles, Sick Headache, Liver Complaints, Loss of Appetite, Biliousness, Nervousness, Headache, &c. For sale by all Druggists. Price, 25 Cts. PACIFIC MANUFACTURING CO., ST. LOUIS, MO.

If you have been relieved or benefited by the use of Dr. Tichenor's Antiseptic be kind enough to tell your friends of its good effects.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

For Sale.

I offer for sale my residence in Rayville, situated on corner of Madison and Louise streets, containing 4 comfortable rooms, kitchen, servants house and stable. Easy terms will be given. R. H. BROWN, March 31st, 1888.

Sheriff's Sale.

Lebanon, Abraham & Co., vs. Thomas Jones, Sr., No. 1069 In 27th District Court, Parish of Richland, State of Louisiana.

By virtue of the above described writ of it to me directed, I will offer for sale at the east door of the Court House in Rayville, La., on Saturday, May 5th, 1888, within the legal hours of sale all the right, title and interest of Thomas Jones, Sr. of said county in and to a certain tract of 10 1/2 acres of land situated in the Parish of Richland, La. in every civilized country in the world, and its widespread popularity establishes beyond doubt the claim that it is adapted to a great variety of soils, and is indeed the best implement of its class yet produced. In fact it is the only Pulverizer combining a **Clod Crusher, Leveler and Harrow**, performing the three operations in one time, and is believed to be the only one yet offered that will do its work thoroughly on all kinds of ground, leaving the soil in a high, loose condition just as the farmer desires to have it.

While it is invaluable for all purposes where a Harrow is needed, it is peculiarly adapted to hard clay and heavy soils, and the ground which has become packed and baked after plowing, as well as to leveling uneven land, and has been used to great advantage on summer fallows.

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PROMULGATION

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the State of Louisiana. Adopted by the General Assembly in 1884 and 1886.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Office of the Secretary of State. IN PURSUANCE of the provisions of the Constitution, publication is hereby made and given to the qualified electors of the State of Louisiana of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of this State, which have been contained in by two drafts of all the members elected to each house of the general Assembly of this State, at the regular sessions thereof, held at the city of Baton Rouge, in the years 1884 and 1886, and which are required to be published for the information of the qualified electors of this State for three months next preceding the general election for representatives, and which proposed amendments more fully appear in Act No. 43 and Joint Resolution No. 112 of the Regular Session of 1884, and in Joint Resolutions No. 28, 27, 88 and 92 of the Regular Session of 1886, which are herewith officially published for the information of the qualified electors of this State, and which will be submitted to them for their approval or their rejection at the next general election which will be held on Tuesday, the 17th day of April, A. D. 1888, (it being the Tuesday next following the third Monday of said month) in such manner and from that the qualified electors may vote for or against such amendments separately, and if a majority of the qualified electors voting, at said election, shall approve and ratify all or either of said proposed amendments, then such proposed amendment or amendments or other of them, so approved and ratified shall become a part of the Constitution of this State.

Act No. 43 of the Regular Session of 1884. Amendment No. 1. TULANE UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT. The terms of Act No. 43 of the Regular Session of 1884, adopted at the session of the Legislature in the year 1884, are hereby ratified and approved; and all provisions of the Constitution of 1879 repugnant thereto, or in any way impairing the passage thereof, are hereby repealed, as far as the operations of said act are concerned.

Joint Resolution No. 112 of the Regular Session of 1884. Amendment No. 2. The General Assembly may divide the State into levee districts and provide for the appointment or election of Levee Commissioners in said districts, who shall in the method or manner to be provided by law, have supervision of the erection, repair and maintenance of the levees in said districts, subject to the approval of the Governor, hereinafter limited, may levy a tax not to exceed ten mills on the taxable property, situated within the alluvial portions of said district subject to overflow; provided that, in case of necessity, to raise additional funds for the purpose of constructing, preserving and repairing any levees protecting the lands of the district, the rate of taxation, hereinafter limited, may be increased when the rate of such increase and necessity and purpose for which it is intended shall have been submitted to a vote of the property tax payers in such district, paying taxes for himself, or in any representative capacity, whether resident or non-resident, or property situated in the alluvial portion of said district subject to overflow, and in such case those in number and value, voting at such election, shall have voted thereon.

Joint Resolution No. 28 of the Regular Session of 1886. Amendment No. 3. In those districts composed of one parish, there shall not be less than six terms of the District Court each year. In all other districts, there shall be in each parish not less than four terms of the District Court each year, except in the parishes of Cameron, Franklin, Iberville, and Iberville, in which there shall not be less than two terms of the District Court each year.

Joint Resolution No.