

OFFICIAL.

Amendments to the Constitution.

[No. 96.
An act to amend the Constitution of the State of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened, two-thirds of the members of each house agreeing thereto, That the following amendments be proposed and entered upon the respective journals of the Senate and House of Representatives, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and the Secretary of State shall cause the same to be published three months before the next general election for Representatives in the General Assembly, in at least one newspaper in every parish in the State in which a newspaper shall be published, and said proposed amendments shall be submitted to the people, at said election, in such manner and form that the people may vote for or against each amendment separately, i. e.: first proposed amendment, for approval, or "Against approval," and in like manner as to the others; and a majority of voters, at said election, shall approve and ratify such amendment or amendments, the same shall be appropriately numbered, and become a part of the constitution, and be proclaimed as such by the Governor and Secretary of State.

1. The expenditures of each session of the General Assembly for per diem and mileage of members, for payment of officers and employes, and for contingent expenses, shall not exceed the sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars; and members of the General Assembly shall receive five dollars a day during their attend here, and a mileage of twenty cents a mile for actual distance from the court-house of their respective parishes to the State Capitol.

2. The last sentence in article sixty-six of the constitution, which reads as follows, to wit: "If any bill shall not be returned by the Governor within five days after it shall have been presented to him, it shall be a law in like manner as if he had signed it, unless the Governor, by adjournment, prevent its return, in which case the said bill shall be returned on the first day of the meeting of the General Assembly after the expiration of said five days, or be a law, shall be amended so as to read as follows, to wit: "If any bill shall not be returned by the Governor within five days, not including Sundays, after it shall have been presented to him, it shall be a law in like manner as if he had signed it, unless the General Assembly, by adjournment, prevent its return, in which case it shall not be a law unless signed and promulgated within twenty days after said adjournment."

3. The judicial powers heretofore vested in parish courts are hereby augmented and withdrawn. The District Courts of the State, outside of the parishes of Orleans, shall have original jurisdiction in all civil cases when the amount exceeds one hundred dollars, exclusive of interest, and appellate jurisdiction over cases decided by Justice of the Peace when the sum in dispute exceeds fifty dollars, exclusive of interest. In criminal cases their jurisdiction shall be unlimited, and they shall have full jurisdiction over matters of probate and succession. Each of said district judges shall receive a salary of four thousand dollars annually, payable quarterly on his own warrant. Justices of the Peace shall have jurisdiction in civil cases when, without reference to interest, the amount in dispute does not exceed one hundred dollars; with power to pronounce judgment for that amount, and such interest, not to exceed eight per cent per annum, as may be proved, and shall have, in addition to the criminal jurisdiction now vested in them, all such criminal jurisdiction as is now vested in parish courts. Clerks of the district courts shall have power to grant writs of arrest, attachment, sequestration, professional seizure and injunction; to receive and probate wills; to appoint administrators, executors, curators, tutors and under-tutors in cases in which no opposition shall be made; to homologate accounts, tabeaus and schedules of debts when no opposition is made thereto, their judgments being prima facie evidence of correctness; to grant order directing sale of property belonging to successions or minors, and to grant orders of seizure and sale by executive process, and shall receive such fees therefor, and shall be provided by the General Assembly.

4. The Governor shall receive a salary of six thousand dollars annually, payable quarterly, on his own warrant. No fees or perquisites of office shall be allowed to or received by the Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, or by district attorneys.

(Signed) E. D. ESTLETTE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives
(Signed) C. J. ANFANE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
A true copy— P. G. DESLOEDE,
Secretary of State.

The foregoing was received in the office of the Secretary of State July 17, 1876, and is made public in accordance with article 47 of the state constitution, which provides:
An amendment or amendments to this constitution may be proposed in the Senate or House of Representatives, and if the same shall be agreed to by two-thirds of the members elected to each house, such proposed amendment or amendments shall be entered on their respective journals, with the yeas and nays taken thereon; and the Secretary of State shall cause the same to be published three months before the next general election for Representatives in the General Assembly, every parish in which a newspaper shall be published. And such proposed amendment or amendments shall be submitted to the people at said election, in such manner and form that the people may vote for or against each amendment separately.
P. G. DESLOEDE,
Secretary of State

THE BEST PAPER. TRY IT!

POSTAGE FREE.

Beautifully Illustrated.

The SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, now in its 30th year, enjoys the widest circulation of any weekly newspaper of the kind in the world.

Its contents embrace the latest and most interesting information pertaining to the Industrial, Mechanical, and Scientific Progress of the descriptions, with beautiful engravings, of new inventions, new processes, and improved industries of all kinds; useful notes, recipes, suggestions and advice, by practical writers, for workmen and employers in all the various arts.

The Scientific American is the cheapest and best illustrated weekly paper published. Every number contains from 10 to 15 original engravings of new machinery and novel inventions.

Engravings—illustrating improvements, discoveries, and important works pertaining to civil and mechanical engineering, milling, mining and metallurgy; records of the latest progress in the application of steam, steam engineering, railways, ship building, navigation, telegraphy, telegraph engineering, electricity, magnetism, light and heat.

Farmers, mechanics, engineers, inventors, manufacturers, chemists, lecturers of science, teachers, clergymen, lawyers, and people of all professions will find the Scientific American useful to them. It should have a place in every family, library, study, office and counting-room; in every reading-room, college, academy or school.

A year's numbers contain 52 pages and several hundred engravings. Thousands of volumes are preserved for binding and reference. The practical receipts are well worth ten times the subscription price. Terms, \$3.50 a year by mail, including postage. Discount to clubs. Specimens sent free. May be had of all news dealers.

PATENTS. In connection with the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, Messrs. MUNN & Co. are Solicitors of American and Foreign Patents, and have the largest establishment in the world. More than fifty thousand applications have been made for patents through their agency.

Patents are obtained on the best terms. Models of new inventions and sketches examined and advice given. A special notice is made in the Scientific American of all inventions patented through this agency, with the name and residence of the patentee. Patents are often sold in part or whole, to persons attracted to the invention by such notice.—Send for pamphlet, 110 pages, news and full directions for obtaining patents.

Address for the paper, or concerning patents, MUNN & Co., 57 Park Row, New York. Branch office, corner of F. and Seventh streets, Washington, D. C.

All the Papers Quote From IT!
THE DETROIT FREE PRESS.

The liveliest of family newspapers, full of interesting news, literature, humorous sketches, spicy paragraphs, etc. Sample copies free. Subscription \$2 a year, post-paid. Address
DETROIT FREE PRESS,
Detroit, Mich.

NEW YORK TRIBUNE.

The leading American Newspaper. The best Advertising medium.—Daily, \$10 a year; Semi-Weekly, \$3; Weekly, \$2.

Postage Free to the Subscriber. Specimen copies and advertising rates free. Weekly, in clubs of 30 or more, only \$1, postage paid. Address
THE TRIBUNE,
New York.

1876. AGAIN! 1876.
LOUISVILLE WEEKLY COURIER-JOURNAL

Continues for the present year its liberal arrangement, whereby it will distribute impartially among its subscribers,

\$10,000
In presents, comprising Greenbacks and nearly one thousand useful and beautiful articles.

The Courier-Journal is a long-established, live, wide-awake, progressive, newswy, bright and spicy paper.

No other paper offers such inducements to subscribers, and club agents' circulars, with full particulars and specimen copies, sent free on application.

Terms, \$2 a year, and liberal offers to clubs.
Address **W. N. HALDEMAN,**
Pres. Courier-Journal Co., Louisville, Ky.

THE CHRONICLE

Is published every Saturday,
AT COLFAX,
GRANT PARISH, LA.,
BY
J. M. SWEENEY,
Editor and Proprietor.

TERM—\$2.00 per An., in Advance.

Advertisements will find the CHRONICLE one of the best mediums in the State in which to bring their business to the notice of the public.

Having the advantage of an entirely new assortment of

JOB TYPE,

Plain and Ornamental, we are prepared to do every description of

JOB PRINTING,

IN BRONZE OR COLORS,
In the neatest manner, at short notice, and at New Orleans prices. Our material enables us to get out all sorts of work, such as—

POSTERS,

HANDBILLS,
ELECTION TICKETS,
PROGRAMMES,
BOTTLE LABELS,
DRUGGISTS' LABELS,
PROMISSORY NOTES,
BLANK DEEDS,
CIRCULARS,
DRAY TICKETS,
DODGERS, &c.

JUDICIAL BLANK FORMS,

VISITING CARDS,

Business Cards,
BILL HEADS,
Ball Tickets,
Letter-Heads and Envelopes,
LAWYERS' BRIEFS,
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS,
BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS,
WEDDING CARDS,
Funeral Invitations,
And all sorts of Printing done in a good
Country Job Office.

WHY YOU SHOULD TAKE THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER.

It is the People's paper, devoted to their interest and welfare.

It is an impartial friend to all men and measures that benefit the country.

It is the enemy of all men and measures that seek only personal gain at the expense of the country's welfare.

Its editorial columns are for the especial purpose of exposing the frauds of government officials, and laws couched in language calculated to deceive the understanding, and make plain to its readers the motives, causes and effects of general and special legislative acts.

Its columns contain the latest news and intelligence that can be obtained from the four quarters of the globe, by means of the telegraph, mails and correspondence.

Its agricultural columns are the best adapted to the wants of farmers, all of whom are invited to give their experience and results of new ideas and experiments of all kinds of improvements calculated to advance the farming interests.

One issue of the Enquirer containing more solid information and intelligence, than can be had from fifty of the so-called literary papers. None can lay aside the Enquirer without admitting a valuable addition to his or her stock of knowledge.

Its market reports have for years been acknowledged as the most complete and reliable published, and of great value to Stock Dealers, Producers and Tradesmen generally.

It has departments and reading for the old and the young. For the family circle and the counting house—for the merchant and mechanic—and for ladies and gentlemen of every calling and station in life.

Its terms are low as any first class paper can be printed for, and the quality and quantity of reading matter used not excelled by any other paper.

Try it for this year. A Chronicle for every \$2 subscriber.

WILD OATS.
PROSPECTUS FOR 1876.

THE CHAMPION AMERICAN COMIC PAPER

Illustrated by a corps of the best American artists, and contributed to by the most popular humorists and satirists of the day.

Wild Oats now enters successfully upon the sixth year of its existence, and has become the established humorous and satirical paper of the country. It was started and continued the first year as a monthly, then to satisfy the demand of the public, it was changed to a fortnightly. Still continuing its good work of hitting folly as it flies, and showing up the political and social hums by its masterly cartoons and pungent editorials, it achieved even greater success than before, and was recognized as the ablest and brightest of its class. Since then we have yielded still further to the public demand, and now publish WILD OATS weekly! It has literally grown into its present shape on its intrinsic merits, being the first successful weekly humorous paper ever published in this country.

Wild Oats will be first class in every particular and on this account may be taken into the best of families without fear or suspicion, as no word or illustration will appear that can offend the most fastidious.

Send for a sample copy and convince yourself

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.
One year.....\$4.00
Six months.....2.00
Three Months.....1.00
Single copies.....0.10

One person sending us a club of five subscribers for one year will receive a copy gratis. Address
COLLINS & SMALL,
Publishers,
113 Fulton street, N. Y.

Registration Notice.

COLFAX, GRANT PARISH, LA.,
August 25, 1876.

Under existing laws, all voters registered in 1874 are required to present their registration Certificates for verification, at the office of the supervisor of registration, before the 25th day of October, 1876. The supervisor will open his office at the following named places on the dates specified:

Montgomery.....Sept. 11 and 12
Liberty Chapel....." 14 " 15
Big Creek....." 18 " 19
C. W. Frances....." 20 " 21

The Supervisor will stop and register all voters aged men on his route from Montgomery to Colfax.
D. A. WARD,
Supervisor of Registration, Parish of Grant.
sep2-td.

EVERY LADY SHOULD TAKE IT

PETERSON'S MAGAZINE

The Best and Cheapest in the World.

Postage Prepaid on all Subscriptions.

This popular monthly magazine gives more for the money than any in the world. For 1876 it will be greatly improved. It will contain one thousand pages. Fourteen splendid steel plates, twelve colored Berlin patterns, twelve mammoth colored fashions, nine hundred wood cuts, twenty-four pages of music. All this will be given for only Two Dollars a year, postage prepaid by the publisher, or a dollar less than magazine of the class of "Peterson."

THRILLING TALES AND NOVELTIES

are the best published anywhere. All the most popular writers are employed to write originally "Peterson." In 1876, in addition to the usual quantity of short stories, five original copyright novelets will be given, by Mrs. Ann S. Stephens, Frank Lee Benedict, Jane G. Austin, Marietta Holley, and Daisy Ventnor.

MAMMOTH COLORED FASHION PLATES

are ahead of all others. These plates are engraved on steel, twice the usual size, and are unequalled for beauty. They will be superbly colored. Also Household and other receipts; in short, everything interesting to ladies.

SUPERB PREMIUM ENGRAVING!

To every person getting up either of the following clubs for 1876 will be sent gratis, a copy of our new and splendid mezzotint, for framing, (size 21 inches by 26), "Washington's first interview with his wife." This is a five dollar engraving, and the most desirable premium ever offered. For large clubs, as will be seen below, an extra copy of the magazine will be sent in addition.

TERMS: (Always in advance) \$2 a Year.

2 copies for.....\$ 3 00
3 " ".....4 00
6 " ".....10 00
9 " ".....16 00
12 " ".....24 00

Postages prepaid on the club, with a copy of the superb mezzotint (21x 26) "Washington's first interview with his wife," to the person getting up the club.

Postage prepaid on the club, with both an extra copy of the magazine and the superb mezzotint, to the person getting up the club.
Address, post-paid,
CHAS. J. PETERSON,
305 Chestnut street, Philadelphia

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE FOR 1876.

PUBLISHED QUARTERLY. It contains over 100 Pages, 500 Engravings, descriptions of more than 500 of our best Flowers and Vegetables, with directions for culture, colored plate, etc. The most useful and elegant work of the kind in the world. Only 25 cents for the year. Published in English and German. Address
JAMES VICK,
Rochester, N. Y.

THE WEEKLY ENQUIRER,

A Paper for the People, a Friend of the Farmer and Industrial Classes.

A BEAUTIFUL NEW CHROMO,

ENTITLED
PERRY'S VICTORY,

Given to every \$2 subscriber.

This picture represents Com. Oliver H. Perry in the act of passing from one ship to another in a small open boat, during the heat of battle, exposed to the fire of the enemy. It measures 16 by 22 1/2 inches, is artistically finished in thirteen colors and is undoubtedly the most desirable chromo ever offered as a premium. Single copies of it sell at \$3. We have at a great outlay secured the exclusive control and sale of it, and therefore are enabled to present it to our patrons as above.

The ENQUIRER still stands preeminent as a first-class newspaper. Its various departments are allotted to

Editorials, Humorous, Agriculture, Poetry, Correspondence, Telegraphic, and General News.

All give evidence of the care and pains taken to supply its readers with all the news and a variety of reading that cannot fail to interest each and every member of the household. Subscribe through our agents or send direct to us.

We desire an agent at every post office, and where none are yet appointed, let some of our friends apply for the agency. Address
FARAN & McLEAN, Publishers,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

GET THE BEST!



WEBSTER'S UNABRIDGED DICTIONARY

10,000 Words and Meanings not in other Dictionaries.
3000 Engravings. 1840 Pages.
PRICE \$12.

Had to add my testimony in favor.—[Pres't Walker of Harvard.]—[W. H. Prescott, the Historian.]—[Dr. Dick.]—[Dr. Schotland.]

Best guide of students of language.—[John G. Whittier.]—[Chancellor Kent.]—[Bancroft.]

Excels all others in defining the terms.—[Pres't Hitchcock.]—[Horace Mann.]

A necessity for every intelligent family, student, teacher and professional man. What Library is complete without the best English Dictionary?

WEBSTER'S NATIONAL PICTORIAL DICTIONARY

1046 Pages Octavo. 600 Engravings.
PRICE \$5.

The work is really a gem of a Dictionary, just the thing for the million. Published by G. & C. MERRILL, Springfield, Mass.

D. MERCIER, "Cheap John."

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, SHOES,

FURNISHING GOODS,

Corner Dauphine and Bienville Sts., NEW ORLEANS.

SAM'S RESTAURANT AND OYSTER SALOON,

101 St. Charles St., Opposite the St. Charles Theatre, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

H. COHEN.

Clothing and Furnishing Goods

AUCTION PRICES

Nos. 122 and 177 Poydras Street, NEW ORLEANS.

A. BARRET,

Manufacturer and Dealer in MARBLE WORK, No. 111 and 113 St. Charles St., NEW ORLEANS.

CARONDELET HOUSE,

88 Carondelet St., Cor Poydras, New Orleans.

STEREOSCOPES, VIEWS, ALBUMS, CHROMOS, FRAMES,

E. & H. ANTHONY & CO.,

591 Broadway, New York.

E. & H. T. ANTHONY & CO.,

501 Broadway, New York.