

Senator Quay is now getting a tough deal from both the Legislature and the Court. He has the backing of the administration at Washington which will see that nothing comes of Quay.

Pitt Kellogg, one of the worst Republicans Louisiana ever was cursed with, is in New Orleans and is already laying plans to capture the board of negroes for the next National Convention for McKinley.

Last month 13,000 volunteers arrived from Cuba and this month will see 25,000 more mustered out. This will leave about 7,000 volunteers remaining in Cuba, who, no doubt are anxious to get home. This war has done up most of the volunteers, and they won't be so anxious to fight for Uncle Sam again.

The complications in Samoa have been settled, but not before Lieutenant Lonsdale and Ensign Monsham of the Philadelphia, and Lieut. Freeman of the Tauranga, were killed and beheaded by Mataafa's savages. The bodies of the three officers were recovered, and French priests brought in the heads. The savages were urged on by a German planter, who has been arrested.

Several papers are saying that Governor Roosevelt of New York will be McKinley's opponent for the Presidency. When it comes to the Southern delegates to the National Convention two-thirds will be controlled by McKinley, as the party is in the hands of corrupt negro politicians who have been put in office at the instance of Hannas for the purpose of controlling them, which will be done.

The Plaquemine Protector, published at Point-a-Hatche, boasts the name of Hon. John Dymond as its choice for Governor, and tells its reason for doing so in a column and half article. Mr. Dymond is a straight Democrat and is one of the few sugar planters who did not desert his party. He is a good man, and there are others, nearer North Louisiana who would suit us much better. The time is too far off yet.

The trial of Mrs. George for the killing of George D. Saxton, brother of Mrs. McKinley, is now going on at Canton, Ohio, and it is to be hoped that this woman will be acquitted. Saxton was a brute of the deepest dye, having ruined several women under the pretense of marriage. He was shunned by the respectable people of Canton and no society would admit him. When ladies, who knew him, would see this man coming, they would either go into a store, take another street or turn and go back, to avoid meeting this man, who was ostracized by all decent people.

Governor Frank W. Rollins of New Hampshire, in his proclamation of a few days ago, says that religion in his State and other New England States is on the decline and draws a very dark picture. He says "there are towns where no church bell sends forth its solemn call from January to January; there are villages where children grow to manhood unchristened; there are communities where the dead are laid away without the benison of the name of Christ, and where marriages are solemnized only by justices of the peace. This is a matter worthy of your thoughtful consideration, citizens of New Hampshire. It does not augur well for the future." Still we have foreign missions, and right at home it looks like they are needed.

The New Orleans States has just put up in its office a new printing press, one of the latest kind, that can print, cut, paste and fold 24,000 six, eight, ten and twelve page papers per hour, or 14,000 sixteen, eighteen, twenty and twenty-four page papers per hour. It prints from three rolls of paper at one time, and is the finest printing press of any newspaper in the South. The States has made a great improvement in its appearance and is greatly enlarged. The States deserves to prosper, and deserves the support of every Democrat throughout Louisiana. It never deserts the party, it matters not who its nominees may be, and it is always found on the right side. The Evening States is equal to any morning paper published in the City of New Orleans. We wish it prosperity.

THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY AND ITS GREAT INTERESTS.

The Vicksburg Post of Monday last has the following to say of Mr. Frank H. Tompkins and his important work: Mr. Frank H. Tompkins, the special representative of the Inter-State Mississippi River Improvement and Levee Association, spent today in the city, and left this afternoon for Lake Providence and other river points above.

This Association, which held a grand meeting here in 1890, gave a decided impetus to the movement in behalf of government control of the river and levees, and resulted in great practical good to the entire Mississippi Valley. This movement has been supplemented and aided by the Western Waterways Association, but the object to be attained (full and complete control by the National Government, of the Mississippi levees), has not yet been achieved.

In order to further promote and advance this great purpose, Mr. Tompkins is engaged in the preparation of a book entitled "Riparian Lands of the Mississippi River, past, present and prospective, which will give a full description of the great Valley as it exists today, how it has been developed and by whom, and a horoscope of its future; it will trace the levee system from its inception, and the general improvement of the Valley in pace with it.

Mr. Tompkins' previous experience and ability, renders him especially fitted for this great work, and he has the hearty endorsement of all the prominent men who have taken an interest in the river and levee problems.

When Mr. Tompkins' book shall have been circulated throughout the Nation, as it will be, it will materially aid in building up public sentiment in favor of Government control, and thus give basis for the belief that Congress will be almost unanimous in passing a measure for Government control.

The following document was circulated in our city to-day, and was signed by all the business men and others to whom it was presented:

To the Citizens of Vicksburg: The Interstate Mississippi River Improvement and Levee Association which was organized by a convention which assembled in this city in 1890, and of which Hon. Chas. Scott, of Rosedale, is President, is actively pushing plans for the strengthening of public sentiment throughout the country to favor the passage of the Catchings bill, or a similar measure for the relief of the general government of our country from the dangers of overflow.

Mr. Frank H. Tompkins, the special representative of that Association, is getting up an elaborate and costly book covering the whole question of levees, the improvement of the Mississippi river and the development of the Valley.

This work will be of much good to the cause, by giving the people of the whole country the facts relative to our fertile Valley, and will be of great benefit to our efforts to secure larger appropriations for the permanent removal of danger of overflows.

All assistance is desired throughout the Valley to circulate this work free, to commercial and business organizations in other parts of the United States.

We cordially commend this plan to your attention and support.

A BOOK ON OUR LEVEES.

Under the above caption our readers will find a splendid endorsement of a proposed literary and statistical work by Mr. Frank H. Tompkins from the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The array of names of Presidents of fiscal and commercial bodies is truly inspiring and demonstrates that these gentlemen, so prominently identified with the valley, appreciate an opportunity to advance before Congress the cause of levees and the improvement of the Mississippi river.

Mr. Tompkins' connection with the river's cause dates back to 1891, when the people of the valley through the then recently organized Levee Association were making strenuous efforts to assist our able delegation from the river States in the passage of measures for the repair of damages to the levees by the flood of 1890.

The Inter-State Mississippi River Improvement and Levee Association, which had been organized by the big convention which assembled at Vicksburg in June of that year, while the flood was at its height, was maintaining a strong delegation at Washington, and flooding the country with literature bearing on the importance of the protection and development of the Mississippi Valley. An emergency bill for one million dollars was before Congress and a general measure, since known as the ten million dollar contract bill, was in preparation. Mr. Tompkins conceived the idea that a general write-up of the whole subject by some journal of wide reputation and circulation would be of great advantage to the cause. He solicited the support of that able exponent of Southern development, the Manufacturers Record, of Baltimore, and was sent by that journal to the Mississippi river, and in a splendid outfit, bought by that enterprising journal, traversed the levee section of the river from Memphis to the lower Louisiana parishes. Meanwhile the Manufacturers Record commenced a series of introductory articles from the pens of Catchings, Blanchard, Leach, Stalling, Dabney and others, treating of different phases of the question. After the investigation of the facts and the write-up had completed the whole was published in book form by the Manufacturers Record for free distribution, and secured a large circulation.

About that time, with the assembling of the new Congress which was to be requested to pass the ten million dollar contract measure, the Inter-State Mississippi River Improvement and Levee Association found itself without funds to further bear the expense of its delegation at Washington. Individual contributions had already been made in all the States along the river and by the levee boards. These channels of resources were, so to speak, closed. Mr. Tompkins, who had a wide acquaintance in his native State, made an appeal to the parochial legislative bodies, known as police juries. Those bodies responded most nobly and our treasury was soon filled again.

The 10,000,000 contract measure be-

came a law and its beneficent effect is apparent to all.

At different times during the past two years Mr. Tompkins has been, under the direction of President Chas. Scott, of this Association, pushing some very valuable and effective plans to advance the levee sentiment and assist the final passage of a general measure like the Catchings bill, the Police Juries again responding to his appeal for funds to assist these plans. The sequel and fitting climax to all his efforts will be this book.

This publication is of the kind as was ever conceived. Certainly no one but he would have undertaken to weld the people of the whole Valley into a co-operative movement to secure a support sufficient to allow the free distribution of a costly book of 1200 pages in the commercial circles of the whole United States.

Possessed of fine executive ability, full of energy and enthusiasm and mentally fully equipped for the task, there is no reason why he should not bring to a successful completion this valuable work on the elaborate plans he has mapped out.

There is every reason to believe that, with the right effort on the part of the people, the General Government can be induced to solve this important problem in the next Congress.

Elaborate plans have been laid for work this summer and fall and Mr. Tompkins' book is an important part of them.

The press of the Valley should keep this matter before the people.

W. A. EVERMAN, Secretary Mississippi Levee Association

THE EXCURSION PARTY ON THE STEAMER LEATHERS.

Last Tuesday about 1 o'clock the steamer T. P. Leathers with an excursion of fifty or more prominent citizens of New Orleans on board, with band playing, came to our landing, and by the time the steamer had her lines made fast, she was boarded by a large number of our prominent citizens and business men. The first man struck on getting to her cabin deck was Mr. Frank Watson, who had the excursion party in charge, and who soon had the large number of citizens and excursionists mingling with each other. Mr. Watson soon had the attention of the crowd, when he said hats off and calling upon Hon. John A. Garrett, the talented editor of the Tennessean, to make a few remarks, which he did in excellent shape.

The next gentleman to address the crowd was Mr. W. L. Saxton, of the firm of Smith Brothers Co., Ltd., one of the largest wholesale grocery houses in the Crescent City, who told in a few words the purpose of the excursion, and the gentlemen making it, was to meet with the people and become acquainted, and ask them for their business, which he said rightfully belonged to the City of New Orleans. He said that the great Crescent City should be the pride of every Louisianian and that her wholesale houses could compete in prices with any other city in the country. Mr. Saxton was applauded. Mr. F. X. Randall on behalf of our citizens responded to the remarks of Mr. Saxton. Mr. Randall gave the party to understand that there was not a man who boarded the steamer at our landing that was not friendly to the City of New Orleans, but that the business men of that city should meet us half way in helping to give us a railway, so that we would be in close touch with them; and that our citizens were glad to be with them and meet them in friendly intercourse, and that he hoped they would come again.

After a friendly chat and a hearty hand-shake the boat pulled out on her way to Grand Lake, Ark., with as merry a crowd as we ever saw.

It is a fact that in the past few years New Orleans has lost almost its entire trade in the Bends, that was once controlled by that city.

Its dozen or more of drummers used to visit our country every thirty days, and everything that was bought came from New Orleans. Things have changed now, and we doubt very much if there are over two or three drummers from that city in a year that comes to this part of country. It is either New Orleans is a higher market or it is the inadequate transportation facilities we have with that city.

After a Rip Van Winkle sleep the business men of that city are about to awaken, and if they will only keep up the work that they have now started, send out their drummers with the intention of keeping them out, and get out of their picaunish ways, as they have been in the past, New Orleans will get back the large trade of the river country that it once controlled.

What struck us more forcible than anything else, was when we tackled several of the representatives of the firms for an advertisement. They informed us that they were not authorized. We thought that this was rather rough on a crowd who were making this special trip for the purpose of soliciting business, and that they wanted it without advertising. It is just such picaunish business as we speak of that is working against New Orleans and its business interests.

The list of firms represented on the excursion, were—

- C. H. Howard, of N. Burke & Co.
Louis Meigs, of J. C. Morris & Co.
Geo. Morelle, of Stauffer, Eshleman & Co.
C. E. Stephens, of Louis P. Rice.
M. J. Purcell, of J. Adams & Co.
M. M. Doworth, of Gulf Bay Co.
Walter Saxton, of Smith Bro. & Co.
L. Israel, of J. Aaron & Co.
Wm. P. Hagerty, of C. G. & Drew.
W. R. Sifers, of H. T. Cottam & Co.
A. C. Marsbal, of C. H. Lawrence & Co.
R. J. Martinez, of W. J. Martinez & Co.
Max Schwabacker, of J. & M. Schwabacker.
W. H. Andrews, of E. J. Hart & Co.
Isador Kellfer, of Kellfer Bro.
Henry Levy, of A. Lbeman & Co.
H. Atkinson, of Collins & Co.
J. T. Baddecke, of G. E. P. Murray & Co.
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Norman Eastis, of Harris, Day & Co.
C. S. Brackette, representing the State Fair.
Frank Watson, of the Crescent Packet Co.
Wm. P. Ball, of the Picaune.
J. M. Leveque, of the Times-Democrat.
G. N. Armstrong, of the States.

Banner-Democrat:—A delightful entertainment was given on the evening of the 14th inst. by the members of the "S. A. C." society. The crowd assembled at the residence of Mrs. J. N. Hill where they found a four-wheeler laden with cotton seed. At 8:30 the charming chaperon, Mrs. W. C. McRae, and the pleasure seekers were off for Texas. A pleasant drive, brought them to the home of Mrs. R. J. Burney on the lake, where they were most hospitably received.

Misses Emma Bell, Eddie Brown, Beulah Goodrich and Eugenia White entertained the crowd pleasantly with music. Messrs. Moore and Taylor, with their harmonicas, were simply fine. The couples repaired to the dining hall to pull candy. After delicious refreshments were served, all returned to the parlor and were favored with recitations by Miss Bessie Rous and Isham Beard. About this time the clock struck twelve, when all left singing "Good-night Ladies," having spent a most enjoyable evening and one long to be remembered by those who were so fortunate as to be present. The guests were: Misses Bessie Rous, Edna Fijcher, Eugenia White, Pearl Burney, Narcis Kennedy, Beulah Goodrich, Elodie Brown and Emma Bell; Messrs. Will Moore, Tom Powell, Isham Beard, Nimmo White, Felix Taylor, John Bass Conery Purdy and Walter Castellow. Mr. Morris happened in.

Three cheers for the "S. A. C." Their entertainment was a perfect success.

After reading our article in last week's issue in regard to the affairs of the Episcopal Church, I must take issue with you and charge that you have the wrong conception of what constitutes the church. Let me illustrate your idea: Suppose the minister of a church had one of its members got in a difficulty and the minister got whipped, you would charge the church got whipped. Or suppose the minister and one of its members got drunk. According to your idea you would say the church got drunk. To go further; suppose the minister be come involved in a personal trouble with one of its members in his own private domicile—a place that every law made by God and man, holds sacred—would you say the church is a party to the private trouble simply because a very few members of the church takes sides with the aggressor? Most assuredly not. The Episcopal Church is in good shape and constantly increasing its membership. Before publishing it to the world the condition of affairs of the church you ought to have asked Mr. Mack to show you his last annual report.

When the general roll is called some people will be surprised when they look over their accounts and see the small amount of religion that is credited to them—an old man in feeble health, with almost an invalid wife and few helpless children—what kind of religion is it that can cry out against this?

Proclamation. Mayor's Office, Town of Providence, La., April 10th, 1899. Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of the charter of the town of Providence and in accordance with an ordinance of the Board of Aldermen of said town, adopted at its regular session on April 6, 1899, authorizing the holding of an election for municipal officers of said town and directing and authorizing me to carry out the provisions of said ordinance; Now therefore, I, Gillis M. Franklin, Mayor of the town of Providence, La., do issue this my proclamation ordering and directing that an election for municipal officers of the town of Providence, La., be held in said town on MONDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF JUNE, 1899, between the hours prescribed by law, and at the designated precincts within the corporate limits of said town, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, Five Aldermen, Secretary, Treasurer, Marshal, for the term of two years. The Supervisor of Registration is directed to open his books for the purpose of registering all persons residing within the corporate limits entitled to vote, for the time prescribed by law, and the Board of Supervisors are hereby notified of the issue of this proclamation; Gives under my hand and official seal of the town of Providence, La., this day and date first written. G. M. FRANKLIN, Mayor. D. W. GILMOU, Secretary.

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