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## ANNOUNCEMENT.

### FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

To the People of the 8th Judicial District:

At the request of many persons of this and Madison parishes, I have become a candidate for the office of Judge of the Judicial District, subject to the action of the Nominating Convention.

I place my claims for support upon my own merit as a citizen and lawyer, and having lived and practiced my profession in these two parishes for thirty-four years, the people can have no difficulty in determining as to my fitness for the office. If I should be elected I shall feel thankful, and shall devote my entire time and ability to the discharge of the duties of the office.

F. F. MONTGOMERY.

### THE TICKET.

For Governor,
FRANCIS T. NICHOLLS.

Lieutenant Governor,
JAMES JEFFRIES, of Rapides.

Auditor,
Q. B. STEELE, of Union.

Treasurer,
W. H. PIPES, East Feliciana.

Attorney-General,
WAKTER H. ROGERS of Orleans.

Secretary of State,
L. B. MASON, of Concordia,

Sup't of Public Education,
JOSEPH BREAUX, of Iberia.

Petroleum V. Nasby—David Ross Locke—died at his home in Toledo, Ohio, Feb. 15.

There is a full independent ticket in Rapides parish, and yet the heavens are not expected to fall.

Wife—John, dear, get up, there is something wrong with the stove, it wont draw.

John—Its all right, stands pat.

Mardi Gras having been duly celebrated, New Orleans will now get down to politics,

The Richland parish Executive Committee has declined to call a Convention to nominate a parish ticket. There will be a free race.

Senator Eustis made a powerful speech in the Senate Thursday a week ago against the adoption of the Extradition treaty with England. The treaty was defeated.

The bill prohibiting the circulation through the mails of news papers containing Lottery adverti ments was killed in the House of Representatives by being recommitted.

Mr. Blaine has written a letter positively de lining to be a cand date for the presidency. This leaves the race, on the republican side, between Sherman and Alison.

Mr. Thomas Hebert, Treasurer of the parish of Iberville, was killed in the town of Plaquemine, Feb. 9, by Thomas Gilday. The dispute was about political matters. Mr. Hebert was a McEnery man in the late campaign, while Mr. Gilday favored Nicholls.

Looks like Holmes the independent candidate for Sheriff of this parish might win the Support Democrat.

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## WARD CLUBS.

It is doubtful if the signers of the action of the various ward clubs fully realize what their signatures mean. The summary of the action of some of the clubs is given this week in the TIMES, and every man who signs his name to the proceedings of the clubs, virtually pledges himself to support Mr. McClellan for Sheriff. It is hardly possible that the signers fully understand the situation. In plain english it means to say to Captain Holmes: You have no rights, or if you have, we ignore them. These gentlemen hardly intend that. They hardly mean to say that, to as good a democrat as ever trod the dirt of Madison parish or of Louisiana, whose record is unsullied by any act unworthy a democrat, a democrat who defies any man to point to a political blot on his record, a democrat who as a man, and a white man, stands proudly before his enemies, and challenges any man to tarnish his democracy. Oh no, gentlemen! You don't mean to say that such a man has no rights, that he is to be foully dealt with in this way, by the party that he has served so long and so well. You don't want to cast out from among you such a democrat, if you are really democrats, and know what democracy means. It is a pitiful spectacle that men can be induced to lend their names to such proceedings, that their better instincts can be overcome by the sham terror of republican ascendancy, and they, thereby, be persuaded to virtually condemn a man unheard, with his wrongs unredressed. Are the people of Madison really afraid of a return to negro supremacy? They know they are not. That is a cry to terrify children, and is used as a cloak to the scheme to defraud Captain Holmes of the justice due him. Don't lend your names to such an outrage, but rather rebuke the insult to your manhood involved in the supposition that you can be frightened by such such suggestions, into abandoning your rights and signing away your convictions.

## THE DIFFERENCE.

The difference between the men who claim everything now, and the maligned Holmes men. In 1883 the McClellan men charged fraud on the part of the Holmes crowd. Did the men accused of fraud content themselves with simply denying it? No! they scoured the country, and obtained the affidavits of the men who attended the meeting, and voted for Geo. W. Montgomery for chairman at the mass meeting in 1883, and demonstrated beyond cavil that they had a majority of the legal voters of the parish, but even that did not stop the contest; the defeated faction kept up the contest until after the election, and they are the men who now, object to a contest. What did they do when fraud was charged? Did they make any attempt to disprove the charge? Not that anybody knows of. They just deny it and nothing more. It is just as easy now for them to get their evidence as it was for us to do so in 1883, but they don't want any evidence. The calm consideration of the people of this parish is invited to this contrast.

## CLUBS.

The formtion of clubs is going on with great vigor, and as the general drift of the resolutions are about the same the TIMES can only give the substance of the proceedings. The 4th ward club organized last Sunday (in spite of the Sunday law,) with twenty-two present. Judge E. C. Montgomery, president, Jno. L. Wilson, vice-president, W. D. Ziegler, secretary. It was resolved that the action of the club be the advancement of the interests of the democratic party of Madison parish, and they pledge themselves to secure the election of the State and parish ticket. A resolution was also passed that "whereas the republican party under the leadership of Gen'l Frank Morey (than whom no one is more obnoxious to the white people of South Louisiana, by means of the political insults and injuries inflicted them) is organizing together the old negro and white people rid such herculian [illegible] lved: that demo- to [illegible] organization, and a comprehension its intentions.

be called on to join if the "effort to do so," the club adjourned 'till the next Sunday.

The 2nd ward club has also been formed with J. S. Richardson president, Geo. M. Long, secretary. This club passed resolutions similar to the 4th ward club, and indorsed with pride the harmony that existed in the state convention which showed the "complete submission of the will of the minority, to that of the majority, and that we respectfully suggest the same course of action to each and every citizen who attended our parish convention as the only course consistent with true dememocratic principles."

The 7th ward also organized a club and passed resolutions.

"Whereas the Republican party, the foe of the south, now attempts to build itself up in our State through discensions in our party, and believing their success detrimental to every interest in the State.

Therefore be it resolved, that we the Democracy of the 7th ward are determined at any and every cost to carry this ward for the Democratic nominees of the State and parish conventions." This club further accepts the following resolution of the State Central Committee as binding in all true Democrats.

"And whenever the regularly constituted parish authorities shall put a ticket before the people, no other ticket shall be considered the democratic ticket to be supported by the democratic party." The officers of this club are J. C. Ellis, president, T. P. Broaddus, Secretary.

## DEMOCRACY.

There is considerable talk going on just about now, concerning true democracy and true democrats. The State Central Committee attempted to lay down the law to the parishes, which to be sure, is going outside of their prerogatives, but they tried it all the same, in this shape: "And whenever the regularly constituted parish authorities" (which includes the parish of Orleans,) "shall put a ticket before the people, no other ticket shall be considered the democratic ticket to be supported by the democratic party."

Now, the N. O. States cannot be considered anything but a good democratic paper, and the democracy of its editor, Maj. Hearsey has never been questioned. His services to the party have been of a kind that not every alleged democrat can boast of, yet hear what he says on this action of the State Committee:

There is not a member of the Committee who does not know that the machinery of the party in this city, has fallen absolutely into the hands of a voracious, desperate and unscrupulous ring, who have so grossly mis-governed New Orleans that there is a general revolt of the property holders, business and industrial classes, against their power. There is not a member of the Committee who did not know, when he voted for this resolution, that, if the selections of the so-called primaries are to be crammed down our throats as the regular nominees of the Democratic party, then the city will be turned over again to the City Ring for four years longer. The Committee every member of it, knew this to be a fact; and, when the Committee adopted this resolution, it allied itself—not the Democratic party, thank heaven—still more closely with the City Ring and all other local rings in Louisiana.

We have not altogether a walk over in this State; and, if those who are in charge of the party, purpose to pursue such arbitrary measures as this, and attempt to force the people of a great metropolis with its vast commercial, and industrial interests, to abandon their right to a free and fair election and surrender body and soul to a city ring that is cursed from one end of the city to the other, they will be apt to provoke a wider revolt than that now in full blast against this particular local ring.

The Young Men's Democratic Association and the masses of the Democracy of New Orleans will give no heed to this insolent mandate, but will treat it with the contempt it deserves and proceed in their work of carrying the State for the Democratic State ticket, and smashing the city ring.—N. O. States.

Is he to be ruled out because he refuses to support the city ring? Democracy is not as well understood as it should be, and some of the gentlemen in Madison parish who so glibly undertake to assert what is, and what is not democracy, could, with profit to themselves, apply their powerful intellects to a study of the principles of that organization, and a comprehension its intentions.