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Does Louisiana want honesty in politics?

A pure ballot would be a great boon for Louisiana.

Go to the polls Tuesday and vote for the Convention.

Give Alexandria, Wise and Bell a rousing vote Tuesday.

All America would take courage if Hanna were defeated.

Boodle is used in other elections besides that for the Ohio Senatorship.

Let's give our women suffrage. What says the Constitutional Convention?

If our women were allowed to vote we would have pure politics in Louisiana.

The Democracy is confronted by several Independents, Populists and a fusion ticket.

They are having an exciting campaign in Calcasieu parish. This is an election to fill a vacancy in the Legislature.

We need a remedy for ballot box stuffing so badly, that the Constitutional Convention is worth that much to our State.

It seems to us that our people are not quite ready for an honest, moral government. If they are, they don't act that way.

Will the Constitutional Convention do anything against dealing in futures and options? Senator Caffery says this is a state issue.

It is said that only 1500 of the legal voters of St. Landry parish had registered up to three weeks ago. Of those who registered 100 were negroes.

The citizens of Amite City have organized a law and order league. They express themselves as being determined to put down lawlessness in Tangipahoa parish, by legal methods.

The Progress notes that Hon. A. B. Booth, once one of the most prominent Populists in the State, is supporting the Democratic nominees for the Constitutional Con-

vention. What have our Populist friends to say to that?

Next Tuesday the voters of our State will decide two very important questions. First, shall Louisiana hold a Constitutional Convention? Second, and if so who shall constitute it?

The charge that Hon. Benton McMillen is a gold bug will hardly win. Unless he has always been reported incorrectly, he has been an ardent, consistent silver advocate.

From Morehouse Clarion the Progress notes that the name of Dr. T. Y. Aby, of Ouachita parish, has been stricken from the list of candidates for delegate to the Constitutional Convention. This was done by the treasurer, auditor and secretary of state, the board to pass on the legality of a candidate. The law provides that one who is a candidate of no regular party must have the petition of at least one hundred qualified voters asking him to run before he can legally stand for office, and the Board declared that Dr. Aby's petition did not thusly comply with the law.

Say, cousin mine, of the Marksville Enterprise! Why don't you get yourself straightened out with the New Year? Transpose the make-up of your forms, put your head on the first page, fold the Enterprise right side out with care, and then folks won't imagine you are still on a Christmas booze.—Colfax Chronicle.

Glad to hear you talk out in meeting, Brother Goodwyn! But Brother Fields cannot be accused of getting on a Christmas jamboree unless he is known to commence celebrating a long time ahead of holiday times, because The Progress has noticed the condition of his New Enterprise several months since. But he needs the jag and nag any way. Any man who can write like he does, ought to be lambasted for turning out his paper as he has been doing in the last month or two.

A New Counterfeit Bill.

Lookout for a new counterfeit \$2 treasury note recently discovered. It is of the series of 1891, check letter B. Tillman Register and Morgan Treasurer. The note is printed by photo-mechanical process, of fair workmanship, and on good paper. In the portrait of McPherson the nostrils and lower end of the nose are covered by an ink blur and the epaulettes are poorly formed.—Abbeville Meridional.

Yes, The Progress will keep a strict and careful lookout; not only for this counterfeit, but for any other kind which may happen to straggle in at our door.

A good Christian woman said recently that she just must have The Progress because it was such a lively, newsy paper.

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Slander and Gossip.

Slander is envy's child. It knows no honor. A poet says:
'Twas but one whisper. One
That uttered low, for very shame,
The thing the slanderer dare not name,
And yet its work was done.

'Twas but a venom'd word
That struck its coward, poison blow,
In craven whispers, hushed and low,
And yet the wide world heard.

A hint! So light, so low,
And yet so potent in its power,
A human soul in one short hour
Was crushed beneath its blow.
—Abbeville Meridional.

The Bashful Lover.

Folks hung up the mistletoe—I was
standin' by,
An' Mary lookin' at me with a twinkle in
her eye—

An' when she stood right under it I felt
my feelin's stir;
But when it comes to mistletoe I dunno
what it's fer!

("Come, John—Come, John!
If you wait you'll miss her;
Mary's at the mistletoe
An' some one else'll kiss her!")

That's the way they hollered—fer all o'
them, they knowed
That I'd been lovin' Mary half a year
 afore it snowed;

That I'd write my love in letters in a al-
bum book for her;
But—when it comes to mistletoe I dunno
what it's fer!

("Come John—Come, John!
If you wait you'll miss her;
Mary's at the mistletoe
An' some one else'll kiss her!")

That's the way they hollered! an' a feller
from the crowd
Just took the invitation an' smacked her
lips so loud

That my heart it give a flutter—but 'twus
far away from her;
Fer when it comes to mistletoe I dunno
what it's fer!

("Shame, John! Shame, John!
Told you that you'd miss her;
Mary's left the mistletoe
An' John'll never kiss her!")

—Atlanta Constitution,

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