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SATURDAY, JAN. 16, 1892.

ANNOUNCEMENT.  
We are authorized to announce C. HOMER MOUTON, as a candidate for Judge of the 21st Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Iberia and St. Martin.

That Ghost is There.

Sunday last this editor went to church, low mass, and while engaged in his prayers was disturbed by a conversation held in a low tone; we naturally turned our head to see who were the conversationalists, and saw the speaker was a grumbling politician, the listener was a friend of ours. His remarks were undoubtedly made for us to hear them. They were most probably inspired by that Democratic ghost which follows him even in the church.

His remarks were thus: "I have voted the Democratic ticket openly for thirty years, and can prove it, while I know many of those who claim to be Democrats who have voted a closed ticket and others who have voted the Republican ticket, and I can prove it." These words may not be the exact ones used by the gentleman, but the meaning is the same.

We must frankly admit that we have never in the least doubted the Democracy of the gentleman until he made the fatal mistake of going to a negro convention to accept the nomination (or indorsement, as it pleases him best) of that convention as a candidate for an office on their ticket. The gentleman cannot deny that he has made a serious and fatal mistake that reflects on his Democracy, regardless of his theretofore fealty to the Democratic party.

Now we believe the gentleman can return to the Democratic party and be as good a Democrat in the future as he was until the time when strayed, and we are glad to welcome him back, but we object to the gentleman to insinuate and question the fealty of those who have done no worse than him. If he knows and can prove that others have also strayed and voted the Republican ticket he has the privilege to expose them if they pause as immaculate Democrats, it is his right, all those who expose themselves become public property and are subject to criticism, he is no exception to the rule.

Democratic Anti Lottery Meeting.

Breaux Bridge, January, 10, 1892.

Pursuant to a Resolution passed at a meeting held on the 27, of Dec. 1891, the Presidents of the different Anti Lottery Clubs of the Parish of St. Martin, met at the Opera House at 12 m. J. Domec, president in the chair.

On motion Mr. Albert Martin was appointed as Secretary pro-tem.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Mills, duly seconded and adopted, it was Resolved that the Presidents of these clubs constitute a committee to form a Parish Anti Lottery Executive Committee, and to appoint a member to the State Executive Anti Lottery Committee.

After deliberation the following gentlemen were appointed as the Parish Executive Anti Lottery committee, for the parish of St. Martin, viz: P. D. Olivier, A. V. Fleming, Robert Martin, Numa Cormier, Valery Guidry, Clerfe Gauthier, Hema Hebert, Albert Schlessinger, A. C. Mills, A. D. Roy, Ernest Gillard, H. David. At large, Leon Gillard, J. Domec, Aug. Guichereu, Chas. Delhomme, L. C. Duchamp, and Albert Bienvenu.

Resolved, That as the 2d Ward is not represented here, your committee recommend that the Anti-Lottery Democratic voters of said ward recommend two Anti Lottery Democrats to represent said district in the Parish Anti Lottery Committee.

On motion of Mr. C. H. Mouton, duly seconded and adopted, it was Resolved that the members here appointed on the parish anti lottery executive committee, meet at the Opera House, at Breaux Bridge, on next Sunday January 17th at 12 m., for the purpose of organizing.

Resolved, That the Secretary is instructed to notify the absent members of said committee in writing.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be sent to the St. Martinville MESSENGER and to the Breaux Bridge Union.

On motion of Mr. Bernard, duly seconded, the meeting adjourned. J. DOMEC. ALBERT MARTIN, President, Secretary pro-tem.

Weak, Worn Constitutions rebuilt by W. W. C.

Robinson's show performed here Wednesday; it had a good audience, and the show was good.

Help Ntare.

Nature is the great curative, if you give her but half a chance. But in many instances nature must be assisted. Very many valuable lives have been sacrificed by expecting too much of nature. A little medicine taken in time, will do nine times the good than if administered after the disease has got a strong hold on the system. Therefore, as the season advances when our people should rid their systems of the accumulated secretions of poisonous humor in the blood, incidental to winter life. Nature should be assisted by using

Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla, it gives strength to every part and wonderfully aids nature in her work of renovation. It fortifies the system and renders one less susceptible to cold pneumonia, etc. It works out every particle of blood impurity that otherwise might lurk in the system and cause a severe spell of sickness. Take a few bottles of this excellent remedy now, and nature will carry you healthfully through the changeable season. Large bottle (192 tea-spoonfuls) \$1.00. Sold by druggists.

An old lady of Covington, Ky., writes: "I used a dozen or more bottles of Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla each year before the Spring sets in and that is about all the medicine I generally have to take the whole year through. It always puts me in fine health."

Some Facts About Nitro-Glycerine.

Nitro-glycerine is one of the most sensitive as well as violent explosives in the world. A slight jar or the smallest spark of fire is enough to set it off. Its manufacture is attended with great discomfort to the workmen. They suffer with what is known as nitro-glycerine headache, caused by the smell of the nitric and sulphuric acids, which are used in making the explosive. Sweet glycerine oil, as every one knows, is a very harmless liquid, but when subjected to the action of the acids named, the result of the milk-like fluid is the most deadly explosive agent known. Men who make nitro-glycerine are at first subject to these terrible headache, but after a few days in the factory they become acclimated to the smell, if such an expression be permissible. But if they knock off work for a day or two, they are compelled to undergo the acclimating experience again. "A single drop of nitro-glycerine exploded upon an anvil with a sledge hammer would probably blow the hammer thirty feet in the air. One day, in the Titusville oil field, a nitro-glycerine manufacturer was standing in front of a hotel, absently minding the flagstone walk, when there was a report as loud as the snap of a cap; the man flew in the air about a foot and let out a yell that was heard a block away. When he got back on terra firma again and looked at his feet his shoe was torn all to pieces. In working about his glycerine manufactory he had evidently saturated his shoe with a few drops of the explosive, which were set off by the stamping on his foot. —Pleasant.

Startling Facts.

The American people are rapidly becoming a race of nervous wrecks, and the following suggests the best remedy: Alphonsus Hempling, of Butler, Pa., swears that when his son was speechless from St. Vitus dance Dr. Miles' great Restorative Nerve cure him. Mrs. J. R. Miller, of Valparaiso, and J. D. Taylor, of Loganport, Ind., each gained 20 pounds from taking it. Mrs. H. A. Gardner, of Vistula, Ind., was cured of 40 to 50 convulsions a day, and much headache, dizziness, backache and nervous prostration by one bottle. Trial bottles, and fine book of marvelous cures, free at T. J. Labbe's drugstore who recommends and guarantees this unequalled remedy.

For some time past, this town has been infested with a gang of gamblers who have worked themselves into the good graces of several saloon keepers here, and every species of gambling, prohibited by law, is carried on openly and all sorts of allurements offered to the unwary to entice them into the swindling games practiced. Rooted out of New Orleans, these professionals have hid themselves to this place. Will the authorities permit them to carry on their avocation? On Thursday, last in one of these saloons, Mr. Sebastian Smith, of Bayou Chene, was robbed of his pocket book, containing \$250 and one of these fresh importations, who is suspected of having committed the theft, has disappeared. Mr. Smith believes that he was drugged. —New Iberia Enterprise.

Ladies, for Fair Skin and Complexion take only W. W. C.

The convention called to assemble at Lake Charles, on last Thursday, to select two candidates for the Senate from the district composed of St. Mary, Vermillion, Calcasieu and Cameron, resulted in a split, there being dual delegations from the several parishes. Two conventions were held at the same time in the same room, the McEneryites, nominating Dr. J. H. F. Wise, of Morgan City, and Dr. J. C. Munday, of Lake Charles; and the Fosterites Don Caffery, Esq., and Judge S. P. Henry, of Cameron. —New Iberia Enterprise.

LADIES. Needing a tonic, or children that want building up, should take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. It is pleasant to take, cures Malaria, Indigestion, and Biliousness. All dealers keep it.

Sudden Deaths.

Heart disease is by far the most frequent cause of sudden death, which in three out of four cases is unsuspected. The symptoms are not generally understood. These are: a habit of lying on the right side, pain or distress in side, back or shoulder, irregular pulse, asthma, weak and hungry spells, wind in stomach, swelling of ankles or dropsy, oppression, dry cough and smothering. Dr. Miles' Illustrated book on Heart Diseases, free at T. J. Labbe's drugstore who sell and guarantee Dr. Miles' unequalled New Heart Cure, and his Restorative Nerve, which cures nervousness, headache, sleeplessness, effects of drinking, etc. It contains no opiates.

PROMULGATION.

—OF THE—  
Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the State of Louisiana,  
ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN 1890.

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 concurred in by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house of the General Assembly of this State, at the regular session thereof, held at the City of Baton Rouge in the year 1890, and which are required to be published for the information of the qualified electors of this State for three months preceding the next election for Representatives, and which proposed amendments more fully appear in Joint Resolutions Nos. 110 and 151, which are heretofore officially published for the information of the qualified electors of this State, and which will be submitted to them for their approval or rejection, at the next general election which will be held on Tuesday the 12th day of April, 1892, (it being the Tuesday next following the third Monday of said month) in each parish and form that the qualified electors may vote for or against each amendment 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 amendments, or either of them, so approved and ratified, shall become a part of the Constitution of this State. JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 110—AMENDMENT NO. 1. "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution providing for the funding of the bonded debt of the City of New Orleans, other than Premium Bonds, into four per cent bonds; providing a special tax of one per cent, to pay the bonded debt of the city, and exempting the said four per cent bonds from taxation, and further authorizing the said city to assume and pay such unpaid claims of the Board of School Directors of said city and parish which it may find to be expeditiously due by said board."

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, two-thirds of all the members elected to each house concurring, That the following amendments to the Constitution of the State be submitted to the electors of the State at the next election for Representatives for the General Assembly in the year 1892, for the purpose of retiring the now existing valid outstanding bonds of the City of New Orleans, including the bonds certificates or bonds issued under the act of the Legislature No. 38 of 1892 and to retire judgments now or hereafter rendered against the City on floating debt claims prior to 1879, entitled to be funded under act No. 67 of 1891, and the City of New Orleans is hereby authorized and directed, on and after the adoption of this amendment, to issue through the Board of Liquidation of the City Debt, bonds to be known as the Constitutional Bonds of the City of New Orleans, not exceeding ten millions of dollars, at fifty years, bearing four per cent, per annum interest, to bear date and be in the form prescribed by the Legislature. The said bonds shall be applied by the said board to the retirement of said outstanding bonds and judgments, by the sale of said Constitutional Bonds, and application of the proceeds of sale by the Board of Liquidation, to pay or purchase said outstanding bonds and judgments, or by exchanging the said Constitutional Bonds for bonds, on the terms and in the mode prescribed by the Legislature. For the payment of the interest and principal at maturity, of said Constitutional Bonds, and other outstanding bonds not retired under the amendment, and for the payment of the annual allotments and premiums of the Premium Bonds of said city, the said city is hereby authorized and directed to levy annually, and until the full payment of said bonds, special tax of one per cent, on all the real and personal property of the city, said tax to be paid of, and in addition to the tax of twenty mills and two-thirds of a mill on the dollar of valuation now levied for all purposes by the City of New Orleans, and the said tax shall be paid over as collected to, and be applied by the Board of Liquidation, to the payment of the interest and principal at maturity of said Constitutional Bonds, and outstanding bonds not retired, and to the payment of the allotments of Premium Bonds and premiums extant in the hands of holders.

Said tax is hereby declared to be the contract right of the holders of all said bonds; and the exemption of said Constitutional Bonds from all taxation by the City of New Orleans and State of Louisiana is hereby recognized and declared; and after payment of all the annual interest on said Constitutional Bonds and bonds not retired and the payment of the said annual allotments of Premium Bonds and premiums extant in the hands of holders, and after making provisions for a sinking fund, at such time and of such an amount as the Legislature prescribes, the surplus of said one per cent, shall be disposed of as prescribed by the Legislature.

The act passed at the present session No. 35 entitled "An act to carry into effect the Constitutional amendment passed at the present session relative to the bond debt of the City of New Orleans," etc., be and is hereby approved and confirmed in all its parts as a contract between the City of New Orleans and the holders of said Constitutional Bonds, Premium Bonds and of the bonds outstanding not retired as aforesaid.

SECTION 2. Be it further resolved, etc., That the City of New Orleans be and is hereby authorized and empowered to examine into and assume the payment of the claims or obligations of the Board of School Directors for the City and parish of Orleans due for the years 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, and 1884, now in the hands of original owners, who have in nowise parted with their right of ownership or pledged the same, as may be found to be equitably due by said board for services rendered, labor performed or materials furnished by authority of said board.

SECTION 3. Be it further resolved, etc., That all electors voting at said election for said amendment shall place upon their ballots the words, "For the City of New Orleans debt amendment," and all electors voting at said election against said amendment shall place on their ballots the words, "Against the City of New Orleans debt amendment."

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring therein, That article two hundred and twenty-nine of the Constitution of eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows, viz:

Article 229—The school funds of this State shall consist of: 1. The proceeds of taxation for school purposes as provided in this Constitution; 2. The interest on the proceeds of all public lands heretofore granted by the United States for the use and support of the public schools; 3. Of lands and other property which may hereafter be bequeathed, granted or donated to the State or generally for school purposes; 4. All funds or property (other than unimproved lands), bequeathed or granted to the State, not designated for other purposes; 5. The proceeds of vacant estates falling under the laws of the State of Louisiana. The Legislature may appropriate to the same funds the proceeds, in whole or in part, of public lands not designated for other purpose, and shall provide that every parish, or every school ward in each parish, may levy a tax for the public school therein, which shall not exceed five (5) mills on the dollar, the vote on such tax to be decided by a majority of the property tax payers of each parish, or each school ward or municipality in each parish, in value and in number voting at said election—and all moneys so collected to be expended in the school ward were levied. "All elections under this act shall be ordered by the Police Jury in the parish in which tax is proposed to be levied."

"SECTION 2. Be it further resolved, That the above amendment to article two hundred and twenty-nine (229) be submitted to the citizens of this State at the next general election for their approval or rejection, and that upon all ballots cast at that election for State or parish officers there shall be printed these words: "For amendment to article 229 of the Constitution," "Against the amendment to article 229 of the Constitution."

Witness my signature and the seal of the State of Louisiana at the City of Baton Rouge, this 20th day of November, 1891.

Dec. 18. L. F. MASON, Secretary of State.

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The Senatorial Convention.

The delegates from Cameron, Calcasieu, Vermillion and St. Mary assembled at the courthouse in Lake Charles, at 11:35 a. m., on Thursday. On going up stairs in a body they found the doors closed and a deputy sheriff on guard who stated that the Lottery men claiming to be delegates were in caucus and the doors would soon be opened. Promptly at 11:55 o'clock, W. B. White, chairman of the senatorial executive committee appeared, a minute later the doors were opened and as the delegates marched in Alex. Reid and Boss Gambier seated on the rostrum announced in a loud rasping voice that the convention had already organized. As Mr. Whit approached the stand Reid brandished a stick and said the chairman had no right to call the convention to order. Unmindful of Reid's ravings chairman White rapped on a table for order and calling the convention to order announced John McCall, of Cameron, as temporary chairman. As McCall approached Reid again waved his baton and dared McCall to take a seat. Mr. McCall sat down and the convention proceeded to business utterly unmindful of Reid and his little caucuses.

After the report of the committee on credentials was read and adopted Hon. Don Caffery, of St. Mary, and Hon. S. P. Henry, of Cameron, were elected by acclamation as the regular Democratic nominees for the senate from the 10th senatorial district.

The Reid caucus named Dr. J. H. F. Wise, of Morgan City and Dr. J. C. Munday, of Lake Charles, both of whom are unknown and unheard of outside of their own towns as their choice for the choice. —Abbeville Meridian.

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