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LOUISIANA COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Committee appointed by Congress to investigate the Louisiana difficulty, has submitted a majority and a minority report. The minority, consisting of Hoar, Wheeler and Frye, in their report, charge that the White Man's party in Louisiana has had the purpose to take possession by fraud and violence of the State government; that to carry out that purpose they have not refrained from murder, fraud, civil war or coercion of employees; there have been three causes for the formation of this party; first, that the Administration party is made up of negroes and carpet-baggers; second, that there has been no just administration of government by these negroes and carpet-baggers, and third, that the white people honestly believe that they have been twice defrauded out of the results of elections in which they were successful. The minority believes that Kellogg was elected in 1872, and there was fraud and violence which prevented an expression of the will of the people in 1874. The Committee believes that there has been much dishonesty and corruption for which the Republicans are to blame. It concludes that Kellogg is the choice of the people and that he should be recognized and sustained.

On the other hand, the majority, consisting of Foster, Phelps, Potter and Marshall, submit the following report:

In our judgment all that is needed in Louisiana is to withdraw the federal troops and leave the people of that State to govern themselves. Before making this recommendation the committee say: "To avoid the mischief and confusion of change, the majority of the citizens of Louisiana seem willing to accept as a compromise Kellogg's recognition and the restoration to the conservatives of the control of the lower house."

For these reasons Foster and Phelps do not wish to oppose the recommendation that the administration of Gov. Kellogg be recognized in view of the fact that they know nothing of merits as judged by competent evidence; nor do they wish to be understood as urging it. They only wish to record their agreement with those of their associates who believe such a compromise might, by making a termination of the uncertainty in Louisiana, be on the whole less intolerable than the present situation of that distressed people; but to any resolution recognizing Kellogg, Potter and Marshall are utterly opposed. They find nothing to justify the belief that Kellogg was elected, that he seized the Government by aid of Federal troops through a void and fraudulent order which prevented the counting and returning of the votes, should be a standing presumption against him. When the people, outraged by the abuses of his Government, had successfully regained the office he had usurped, he was again reelected by Federal power through the forms of the laws by which he had entrenched himself. He once more sought to nullify the choice of the people at the late election, and to that end called in Federal troops to break up the meeting of the legislature. For Congress to recognize a usurpation so gross, so oppressive, is, they think, to establish a precedent by which, under pretenses that can only be found in any State Government may be overturned, the will of the people nullified, fraud and violence perpetrated, and republican forms perverted to destroy liberty.

An Able Paper Collapsed.

The Sacramento Union, for a quarter of a century the leading and ablest newspaper on the Coast, has succumbed to the powers that be, and been merged with its opponent, the Record, into a new paper called the Record-Union. From several numbers received, although it gives promise of being a good newspaper, the absence of the forcible and able editorials which characterized the Union, is readily perceptible. Thus has passed away the paper that has made Senators, Governors and Congressmen for California. Its demise may be laid at the door of the relentless Central Pacific Railroad Company, who found in the Union an adversary worthy of its steel. But so firm is its hold on the people of California and Sacramento, that it almost peremptorily ordered them to withdraw their patronage from the Union. The Railroad threatened to remove its offices, shops, etc., from Sacramento, unless the citizens dropped its opponent, which they reluctantly did. The people of that State have lost its ablest champion, and the time may not be far distant when they will sincerely rue it.

Civil Rights Bill.

The U. S. Senate passed the civil rights bill and the President has approved it. This infamous measure has therefore become a law. Time will make matters even with the Republicans on this score.

MODOC WAR MEASURE.

Hon. J. W. Nesmith has favored us with a copy of the bill prepared by the House Committee on Military Affairs, of which he is a member, for reimbursing Oregon and California on account of Modoc War expenses, as per report of Gen. Hardie, to-wit:

A BILL to enable the Secretary of War to pay the expenses incurred by the State of Oregon and the citizens of California in suppressing Indian hostilities in the States of Oregon and California in the years eighteen hundred and seventy-two and eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the proper accounting-officers of the Treasury to examine and determine the amounts justly due to the State of Oregon and the citizens of California upon claims for expenses incurred in suppressing Indian hostilities in the States of Oregon and California in the years eighteen hundred and seventy-two and eighteen hundred and seventy-three, which have been examined and reported upon by Inspector-General James A. Hardie, but in no case shall the sum allowed thereon be in excess of the amount reported by said General Hardie; and in such investigation, the testimony taken by General Hardie in relation thereto shall be received in evidence, but the same shall not be regarded as conclusive unless said officers are satisfied therewith; and the sums found due to the State of Oregon shall be paid to the State upon the presentation of evidence to the accounting-officers of the Treasury that the State of Oregon, by act of its legislature, has assumed the payment of the claims to the original holders thereof, or to their assigns; and the sum found due to citizens of California shall be paid to the persons entitled thereto by a disbursing-officer, under the direction of the Secretary of War.

Acknowledgment.

Hon. S. F. Chadwick, Secretary of State, has received the following letter from General Jeff. C. Davis, acknowledging the receipt of the joint resolutions passed at the last session of our State Legislature, which were engraved and sent to him some time since:

OMAHA BARRACKS, Neb.,
Feb. 7th, 1875.

Hon. S. F. Chadwick, Secretary of State. Dear Sir: Through some oversight I have neglected to acknowledge the receipt of your very courteous letter enclosing the joint resolutions of the Oregon Legislature. The complimentary manner in which these resolutions refer to my services in the Modoc war is fully appreciated. The honor thus done me by the people of Oregon through their Legislature is hereby gratefully acknowledged. The receipt of these high testimonials of regard has done much in mitigating the deep regret I felt when taking leave of a command I had become so pleasantly identified with, and of a people with whom I had become so intimately and pleasantly associated, and from whom I had, both in my private and official capacity, received so many evidences of confidence and consideration. With best wishes for the prosperity of the State and the happiness of its people, I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

JEFF. C. DAVIS,
Brvt. Maj. Gen'l. U. S. Army.

Acquitted.

Our readers will doubtless yet remember the killing of Major Harry Larkyns by E. J. Muybridge, (who received considerable reputation for his photographs of the recent Modoc War), in Napa county, California, not long since, for the seduction of his wife. He was tried at Napa City during the early part of last month, upon an indictment for murder in the first degree for said killing, which resulted in a verdict of "Not guilty." The insanity dodge was tried, but the jury put their verdict on the ground that Larkyns had seduced Muybridge's wife, and that justified the latter in killing him. They said, after it was all over, that they would have done the same thing, had they been in Muybridge's place, and that they could not and would not punish him for only doing as they would have done under the same circumstances. Muybridge's wife is now in the Willamette Valley, where she has relations.

Louisville Lottery.

Pursuant to announcement, the drawing of the Gift Concert of the Public Library of Kentucky took place on Feb. 27th. The managers announced that only 38 per cent. of the tickets having been sold, the prizes were sealed accordingly. D. W. Champlin, of Chicago, drew the second prize of \$38,000.

GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

Brick Pomeroy is ill in New York, with slight chances of recovery.

Navigation has been resumed on the Willamette and Columbia rivers.

The amount of the Spanish indemnity in the Virginius affair is \$80,000.

Troubles with Pennsylvania coal miners are aggravated—they burn company property.

A Grange store is shortly to be opened in Albany, and it promises to be an extensive affair.

The coal and lumber trade of the towns on Coos Bay, Oregon, is constantly on the increase.

Willard A. Holbrook, of Portland, who has held positions in various Legislatures, died there last week.

Messrs. Abrahams and W. R. Willis have a number of hands employed on the south end of the Canyon road.

Gov. Grover and Secretary Chadwick have the Modoc war bonds and coupons to sign with 10,000 signatures.

A wall fell on a church roof in New York, breaking it and killing six worshippers and wounding twenty-five.

One hundred and thirty-six Republicans and forty-six Democrats went out on the 3d of March. It was a solemn March for them.

Hon. George A. La Dow, of Umatilla county, has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism. At last accounts he was convalescing.

Richard B. Irwin, of Pacific Mail fame, has fled Washington to avoid criminal process charging embezzlement of the company's funds.

A training track has been laid off on the land of Congressman Nesmith in Polk county. The track is one mile long, the ground a dead level.

Hon. William A. Wallace, one of Pennsylvania's foremost lawyers and statesmen, is the new Democratic U. S. Senator from that State.

There is a little girl in Yamhill county who is perfectly formed excepting her knees, which are reversed, bending the wrong way, and of course she cannot walk.

The Pioneer Oil Mills, at Salem, have contracted with the farmers of Douglas county for their flax-seed of the coming season's crop, paying \$1.30 per bushel at Roseburg.

S. J. R. McMillan, a moderate Republican and Chief Justice of that State, has been elected U. S. Senator from Minnesota to succeed Ramsey, after a protracted struggle.

Articles of incorporation have been filed in the Secretary of State's office, of the McMinnville (Yamhill county), Alden Fruit Preserving Company. Capital stock, \$5,000, in shares of \$100 each.

McMinnville has a stock Board where the boys and young men buy and sell with all the regularity of the genuine business. They have a good deal of sport, and some money is made and lost.

San Francisco has a woman who lifts several hundred pounds with her teeth. She is a comfortable sort of woman for some fellow to marry. Think of the awful jawing she could do without fatigue!

Mart. Taylor is practicing law and Dr. Haskell practicing medicine at Coaledo, Coos county. If that community can get along well without the early use and application of tar and feathers we shall be much disappointed.

Judge McKean, of the Utah United States District Court, awards Ann Eliza Young, in her suit against Brigham Young for divorce, alimony to the amount of \$3,000 for law expenses and \$500 per month for support.

Lieutenant-Colonel Frank Wheaton has been promoted to the rank of full Colonel in the United States army. This promotion is in recognition of gallant services in the field. Colonel Wheaton is now command at Fort Walla Walla.

The Alden Fruit Drying Company, of Salem, have just shipped about 5 tons of dried fruit, which is all packed in nice shape for market. About two-thirds of this is apples and the remainder pears, all of which is in first-rate condition.

In the Senate, the House bill for the admission of Colorado as a State, with a Civil Rights Constitution, was passed—ayes, 48; noes, 13. Also the House bill for the admission of New Mexico, same terms—ayes, 81; noes, 11. Also bill granting right of way for Willamette Valley and Coal Narrow Gauge Railroad Company.

The floral tributes to the parties concerned in the Beecher trial are numerous. Mr. Beecher has a bouquet most of the time. Mrs. Beecher and Mrs. Tilton have one apiece, and not to be outdone in this thing, Mr. Tilton has one also. If some one would only set a pot of flowers on Judge Neilson's desk, and put a nosegay in the button-hole of each jurymen's coat, the effect would be at once peculiar and picturesque.

Our eastern exchanges are bringing us terrible accounts of the extreme cold weather in the older States during January. Many cases of freezing to death are reported on the Kansas prairies. A man, wife and two small children while driving in a wagon, near Hutchinson, Kansas, were frozen to death. The horses carried the corpses to a house on the road. Hunters and cattle men have had their limbs so badly frozen as to require amputation.

A procession of negroes, representing every State in the Union, have petitioned Congress to nominate and appoint, by legislative enactment, the 12th day of February as a "legal holiday," because it is the birth-day of Abraham Lincoln. They ask that this be done so that "a universal people may rejoice together in this great gift of God to man." It will be heart-rendering news to the negroes to know that even an abolition Congress regarded this request as evincing a little too much emancipation for serious consideration.

The Wool Market.

Advices from New York up to the 20th of February report the movement in the wool market quite moderate. As to values, Fall California continues in an unsatisfactory state, and holders are continually shading their views to effect sales. Supplies of Spring are reduced and prices are very firm. The transactions include 601 bales and 169,500 pounds California, at 26c. to 35c. for Spring, 15c. to 23c. for burry to free Fall, and 65c. to 75c. for scoured. At Boston the market has been active and the aggregate sales large, chiefly to supply the wants of manufacturers. California has sold to an extent of 404,700 pounds, at 25c. to 37c. for Spring, 20c. to 27c. for Fall, and 70c. for scoured. On the question of the best wool to raise, L. C. Peters, of Brooklyn, New York, writes to the Tribune to say that:

Worsted wools are more valuable now than clothing wools. It is not good farming to spend time on the less valuable production. Cheap clothing has forced the worsted into general use, and manufacturers will make that kind of goods for which there is most demand. Grant was right about the wool question, as the dealers tell me they find but little of the wool that used to come from Washington county, Pennsylvania. Nearly all the clothing wool of best grade comes from the South Sea and South America, and I hope the time will soon arrive when there will not be grown a pound of extra clothing wool in this country. It has always been the wool of the aristocracy, and as a general thing it has not been useful for the milliner. It is not cheap wool to raise nor useful to the poor man when raised. Of the capacity of our country to produce wool and sheep there can be no doubt. But England laid the foundation of her manufacturing prosperity in her combing wools, and so must this country till we get cheaper labor.

THE NATIONAL GRANGE.

This body, lately in session at Charleston, S. C., has declared that no provision has been made whereby the Patrons of Husbandry can be represented as an association at the Centennial Exposition, and that the commissioners have provided no adequate plan through which the agricultural interests of the country can be systematically and fully represented. They therefore recommend that further consultation be sought with the directors of the Exposition to ascertain whether a modification of their plans may be effected so as to secure proper recognition of American agriculture. The committee suggest that there be a full exhibition of plants, products, stock, wool, silk and agricultural publications, and say in conclusion: "We deem it part of our mission as Patrons of Husbandry to produce among our people proper interest in the celebration."

The committee to whom was referred the resolutions of the Texas State Grange and other bodies in different sections of the United States, asking the National Grange to extend its aid to the Texas Pacific railway, submitted a report expressing great interest in the speedy completion of this road, and as it is an enterprise too great to depend alone for success upon

private capital, justice to all sections of our common country require the aid of the national government to forward this work under proper restrictions and safeguards, insuring the government against loss and the people against impositions and discriminations.

The Granges.

Some of our exchanges are trying to figure up the annual revenues of the Society of Patrons of Husbandry. A correspondent of the Chicago Times makes the following estimate: "Initiation fees alone—paid up to July last amounted to \$6,000,000. The monthly dues yield \$2,400,000 per annum. The six-cent quarterly dues to the State Granges amount to \$480,000 per annum; in addition to which, large sums are derived from charters and dispensations. What precise sum the National Grange has now on hand we are unable to state, but it must, we should think, be a large amount."

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