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SUGAR INTERESTS.

The Sugar Planters' Association expressed its views Thursday on several matters effecting the sugar interests of this State. The proposition advanced by some of the Western papers to abolish the duty on sugar and substitute instead a bonus of so much on each pound raised by the planters was very properly opposed as being inimical to the best interests not only of the sugar producers but of the whole country, The association also expressed its opinion in a very forcible and emphatic manner on the subject of the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty, whose abolition it demanded as being wholly in the interest of a giant monopoly and of a foreign country, and against those of the United States.

Of all the matters relating to the tariff, the sugar duties are just now attracting the most attention and being the most discussed and argued, and it is only proper that our planters should speak out and lay down a platform on the subject.

It is gratifying to see that the present sugar duty is being well supported throughout the West and Northwest, both by the Republican and Democratic, the Protection and Free Trade journals. The Inter-Ocean, speaking for the Republicans and Protectionists, opposes bitterly any change in the present duty, which, it declares, is the last one the great Northwest wants altered. The St. Louis Republican, ultra free trade, joins in this sentiment, declaring that the sugar duty is the least oppressive of all in the present tariff, and demanding that a reduction should be made on other articles first—iron, steel, cotton and woolen goods, glass and earthenware—before sugar is touched.

With such support from both sides our Representatives ought to be able to prevent that attack on Louisiana's chief interest, which has been engineered by the Philadelphia Press, Record and other papers of that type.

We clip the above from the New Orleans Times-Democrat, the leading Democratic paper of Louisiana, and commend it to the attention of those gentlemen who lose sight of everything else in their blind zeal for a "tariff-for-revenue-only." Louisiana is a Democratic State, but it is so only by the work and devotion of those planters who demand protection for the industry in which they have their all invested. Apply the knife, cut down the tariff so as to afford no protection, in the face of the protests of sugar raisers, and how long can their support be counted on for the Democratic party? Legislation which would deprive these people of the protection which they demand and think they have a right to claim would give the State to the Republican party beyond the shadow of a doubt. We do not propose to discuss here whether they would be pursuing the right course in abandoning the Democratic party under these circumstances, but simply wish to State what we believe will result from an anti-protection policy as far as that State is concerned. As Louisiana is interested in the protection of sugar, so are other States in the special industries in which they are engaged, and so these States will be governed in their political action as Congress acts in accordance with or in opposition to the views held by the people of these States on the tariff question. It is in the power of Congress by conservative, wisely directed legislation to preserve unbroken the column of Democratic States, which not only may, but probably will be broken if the rash counsels of the extreme tariff for revenue only men, who discourse so warmly, but heedlessly about "principle," prevail.

Arthur's friends defeated the proposition of Frye, of Maine, in the National Republican committee to change the basis of representation in the National convention, increasing the representation from the Northern States and reducing it from the Southern.

Capt. Howgate who got away with several hundred thousand dollars of government money still has $77,000 worth of real estate in Washington City, on which the taxes are paid in his name. But the government can't find Howgate.

Mr. Horr has not yet introduced a resolution in Congress to investigate the row in New Orleans in which several persons were killed and a score wounded. Horr is getting behind on resolutions.

A Chicago society has struck the tramp problem by establishing a wood yard where any tramp who seeks for food may go and cut wood and thus earn the food and lodging he seeks temporarily.

It is a notable fact that every one of the Irishmen condemned and hung within the past year by the British government died as game as men could die.

Gen. McCook, the new secretary of the Senate, is the first New Yorker who has ever held that position.

Ice is eight inches thick on the Hudson river.

The wine product of California this year will be about 10,000,000 gallons.

President Arthur's trip to the Yellowstone country cost the government $25,000. We were told that it would cost the government nothing.

The Washington Critic pronounces Mr. Horr's resolution about investigating the Danville riot, "a very silly and very cheap piece of demagogy."

The "Christian soldier," Howard, says he did not propose to have deserters branded with a red hot iron, but only to have a big D tattooed on them.

If the British government showed one half the zeal and alacrity in ameliorating the condition of Ireland that it does in hanging Irishmen there would be fewer Irishmen to be hanged. There is a big day of reckoning coming some time.

In Judge Denham the British government has found the stuff to make another Norbury. Gen. Pryor says that he went out and got his black cap in order to be ready to pronounce sentence on O'Donnell while the jury was still out, and when it came in with the verdict which his instructions and conduct compelled the jury to give, he pronounced the sentence with a most unseemly haste.

Too Large a Sinking Fund.

In order that the Senate committee on finance may have before it data from which to determine properly the basis upon which the taxation of the country shall be adjusted, Senator Beck, of Kentucky, recently submitted a resolution—which was agreed to by his colleagues—calling upon the Secretary of the Treasurer as to the amount of the public debt at present; how much of it has been paid beyond the amount required by law to be applied as a sinking fund; and, further, what sums will hereafter be required annually until the maturity of the 4 per cent. bonds in 1907, in order to comply with the provisions of the law as construed by his department: stating how the amounts so required can be applied to the sinking fund prior to 1907. The point of Senator Beck's inquiry is to be sought in its last sentence. The Secretary of the Treasury stated in his recent report that the estimate of the sinking fund for the current fiscal year is $45,816,741, which amount will increase from year to year at the rate of about $1,000,000 until 1891. "An average of about $50,000,000 each year until then will be required for the sinking fund" In the same report the Secretary had stated that the bonds now payable are the $305,529,000 of 3 per cents., those which will next become redeemable being the $250,000,000 of 4 1-2 per cents. on September 1, 1891. The $737,620,700 4 per cents. are not redeemable till 1907. He shows this condition of things; that $85,000,000 of the public debt will be paid during the current year, and $106,000,000 is estimated to be paid during the next fiscal year, before existing laws are likely to be changed, leaving but $109,000,000 possible to be paid until 1891. Hence, if, as the Secretary proposes, $50,000,000 be applied to the sinking fund annually, all of the debt payable before 1891 will have been redeemed in less that three years. "In any event," says Mr. Beck, "all the 3 per cent. bonds will be paid three or four years before we can pay any more, even if the provisions of the ever-pressing sinking fund are dispensed with." What will the Secretary do with the annual $50,000,000 in the interval? The Kentucky Senator insists that "we shall not make provisions for the hoarding of money that we cannot properly apply." On August 31, 1865, when the public debt was greatest, it was $2,756,431,371; on the first of December, 1883, it was, less cash in the treasury, $1,509,785,060, a reduction of $1,246,646,510, which Mr. Beck contends, amounts to a cancellation of some $700,000,000 more than the utmost requirements of the sinking fund. In a word the $50,000,000 demanded by the Secretary of the Treasury is not required, as "the sinking fund has been fully provided for for fifteen or twenty years to come." That the amount of the debt already redeemed is greatly in excess of the demands of the sinking fund, and that the amounts redeemed are to be regarded as offsets to the demands of that fund, Mr. Beck proves by quoting from Mr. Lot. M. Morrill, while Secretary of the treasury in 1876, and also from the report of Secretary Sherman in December 1877. At a time when but $656,000,000 of the public debt had been paid, Mr. Morrill reported that amount to be $255,000,000 in excess of the requirement of the sinking fund. The following year Mr. Sherman reported $220,954,459 paid "in excess of the amount required by law, to be provided for that fund." The testimony of Hon. Wm. A. Richardson while Secretary of the Treasury is to the same effect, Senator Beck wants to know how much this "excess of the amount required by law to be provided" for the sinking fund is to-day. He estimates it at about $700,000,000, but wants exact information. With that information he hopes to convince his colleagues that the $50,000,000 called for by Secretary Folger may be dispensed with, and the taxes laid upon the people lightened to that amount.

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Digest of Supreme Court Decisions.

Raleigh News and Observer.

Phifer vs. Railroad.

1. A stipulation in a bill of lading given by one of an associated through line of common carriers, to the effect that if damage to the goods should be sustained by the shipper, only the company in whose custody the goods were at the time of loss shall be answerable, is a reasonable one and consistent with public policy; and the shipper who accepts it is bound by its terms and conditions, whether he reads it or not.

2. *Quere*, as to the extent of liability of common carriers by sea, and how far the same has been modified by act of Congress which exempts the owner of a vessel from responsibility by reason of fire on board ship, unless caused by the negligence of such owner.

3. The stipulation for exemption from responsibility must be just and reasonable in the eye of the law, and hence it is not lawful for a common carrier to so stipulate for negligence of itself or its agents.

4. The facts of this case do not show a copartnership but merely an association between the lines of road—each undertaking to transport freight over its own road and to act as a forwarding agent to the next connecting road.

Miller vs. Miller.

1. Where land is subject to the payment of debts against which, under the constitution, the right of the homestead does not prevail, and the debtor has no other property but the land, which is of less value than one thousand dollars, the sheriff need not have the homestead laid off in order to a sale under execution.

2. And the deed of the sheriff to the purchaser in such case is not affected by his failure to lay off the homestead.

3. A deputy clerk has power to issue executions in the name of the clerk, and may perform all the duties of the office, except such as are judicial in their character, or where a statute specifically provides otherwise.

4. Recitals in a sheriff's deed are *prima facie* evidence of an execution sale, notwithstanding the return upon the execution may be imperfect. The fact that there was a sale may also be proved by parol.

5. *Held further*, that the parol testimony is admissible to show that the land levied upon was sold as one tract, though described in the sheriff's deed as two tracts. (The evidence in this case goes to show that the land was designated and sold in one body).

6. *Held also*, that the deed in such case, reciting in substance the execution under which the land was sold, and purporting to convey title to the purchaser and his heirs, shows that the sheriff exercised his power in the premises, and conveys the title of the defendant in the execution

Commissioners vs. March.

1. A bond executed by the prosecutor to pay the cos of a criminal action, the matter then being compromised by entering a *nolle prosequi* and the accused paying the prosecutor a sum of money, is against public policy and void.

2. The statute in reference to taxing a prosecutor with costs does not provide for a case where a *nolle prosequi* is entered.

Shelton vs. Shelton.

Where a judge goes out of office before preparing a case on appeal, a new trial will be awarded unless the parties agree upon a statement of the case. The writ of *certiorari* applied for is granted to afford the parties an opportunity to adjust their differences in the premises.

Lee vs. Bishop.

1. In an action of ejectment the plaintiff who is a stranger to the judgment need only show the execution under which the land was sold in order to establish his title against the defendant in the execution; nor is his title affected by any irregularity in the judgment.

2. A transcript of a justice's judgment containing the names of the plaintiff and defendant, the amount of the judgment, and the costs of action, is sufficient. The law does not require the entire record to be sent up to be docketed.

State vs. Horton.

1. It is error in the Superior court of one county to tax the prosecutor in a criminal action in that court with costs of prosecution in a like action pending in another county.

2. The court cannot tax the prosecutor with costs where the grand jury ignores the bill of indictment.

3. A motion to set aside a judgment taxing the prosecutor with costs because of excusable negligence must be made within twelve months after the rendition of judgment. The presence of the prosecutor is not essential to the validity of such judgment.

4. An irregular judgment may be set aside at the term ensuing its rendition, but an erroneous judgment must be corrected by appeal or *certiorari*.

Burke vs. Turner.

Where the report of a reference in the statement of an account does not conform to the order of reference, the court will set it aside with instructions to observe strictly, in restating the account, the method pointed out in the order of the court.

Stanly vs. Railroad.

1. In a suit against a railroad company it is sufficient to designate it as a "company," by its corporate name without an averment of its corporate capacity, and if this is disputed it should be by answer and not by demurrer.

2. The complaint in this case, alleging negligence, is sufficiently explicit in the statement of facts constituting such negligence.

Harshaw vs. McDowell.

Appeals will be dismissed if not perfected according to law. In all cases of appeal, except *in forma pauperis* a written undertaking is required (unless properly waived) and one of the sureties must make affidavit that he is worth double the amount specified therein.

Morphew vs. Tatem.

The justification of the surety to an undertaking on appeal must be made by the surety himself. The affidavit of another as to the pecuniary reputation of the surety will not answer the demands of the law.

One-Sided Elections.

Elections were held in the Norfolk, Petersburg and Mecklenburg senatorial districts in Virginia Monday for Senators to fill vacancies. In each case the coalition nominees were elected, the democrats refraining from voting for the reason that the democratic members of the election committee of the Virginia Senate has decided that the Governor had no right to issue his proclamation ordering the filling of these vacancies. Another election will doubtless be held under a proclamation from the clerk of the Senate.

BURNED AT SEA.

A Spanish Steamer Burned in the Bay of Biscay.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A portion of the crew of the Spanish mail steamer, St. Augustine, bound from Manilla for Liverpool, has arrived at Dartmouth. They report that the steamer took fire Monday last in the Bay of Biscay. Eighty-two of the crew and passengers took the boats. The first boat reached an English brig, the second boat returned to the burning vessel, the third boat has not been heard from, the fourth boat contained fourteen persons who were those who landed at Dartmouth. When the latter left St. Augustine there were thirty people on board. It is hoped they were rescued, as a steamer was seen to be bearing down towards the burning vessel.

China's Last Proposition.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The Figaro newspapers of to-day says that it understands that Marquis Tseng, the Chinese embassador, has proposed to France the following as a fresh basis of negotiation for a settlement of the Tonquin question, The Delta of Song Koi, Red River, together with the city of Sontay to belong to France. The Delta of Song Can River with Bac Ninh to belong to China. The Northern and Western provinces of Tonquin to be neutral and China to renounce her suzerainty to the kingdom of Annam.

A Policeman Sentenced to be Hanged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Ex-police officer Wm. Conroy, who killed Peter Keenan with a club and pistol on the night of November 3rd last, and was convicted of murder in the first degree on last Saturday, was to-day in the Court of General Sessions sentenced to be hanged on the 8th of next February. A motion was made by the prisoner's counsel for a new trial, but was denied.

Nominations Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Senate yesterday confirmed the nominations of internal revenue commissioner Evans, United States treasurer Wyman and assistant treasurer Graves, Richard Gibbs to be United States minister to Bolivia and a number of minor postmasters and other officers.

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