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RECONSTRUCTION.

The Louisiana Convention has progress-

ed thus far:

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—In the conven-
tion, to-day, the second article of the con-
stitution, which was adopted on Saturday,
was reconsidered, and Judge Taliaferro's
proposition that citizens of the State shall
owe allegiance to the United States which
shall be paramount to that which they owe
the State, was incorporated therein, after
much discussion.

Article third, as adopted, declares that
there shall never be any slavery or involun-
tary servitude in this State except as pun-
ishment for crime.

Article fourth declares liberty of press
and of speech.

Article fifth declares that the rights of the
people in peace to assemble and to petition
government shall never be abridged.

Article sixth and seventh are rehearsals
of the common law for the punishment of
crime. The concluding paragraph of article
seventh says that the privileges of the writ
of *habeas corpus* shall not be suspended.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—In the conven-
tion to-day the following was adopted as
article eleven of the constitution:—
"No laws shall be passed regulating labor
and fixing the price thereof."

Article twelve declares religious liberty
and says no religious test shall be required
as a qualification for office.

The following resolution offered by Mr.
Pinckback (colored) was adopted as the
thirteenth article of the constitution:—
Resolved, The right of all persons to travel
on common carriages and to be entertained
at all places of a public character shall not be
abridged in any manner.

The following substitute offered by Mr.
Wycklife was subsequently recognized:—
All persons shall enjoy equal rights and
privileges while travelling in this State, and
all places of amusement, refreshment, enter-
tainment, or of any public nature whatever,
shall be open to all persons alike. No com-
pany, municipal, parish or character cor-
poration shall make any rules or regulations
creating any distinction between persons on
account of race, color, or previous condition.
The convention adjourned over without
coming to a vote on the substitute.

Alabama.

POLITICAL MURDER.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 28.—The coun-
try republican nominating convention to-day
nominated eight negroes and sixteen whites,
four whites and two negroes for the State
legislature. A majority of the whites are
northern men and are connected with the
Freedmen's Bureau.

A negro was shot dead yesterday on the
plantation of Mr. Merriweather, near this
city, for declaring himself opposed to the
Union League.

The Montgomery Council, which claims to
be the genuine League, has expelled John
F. Keffler, a leading radical, for dishonorable
conduct, and the action is calculated to
excite a war of races. Keffler has a league
which he claims to be genuine. The whole
affair will be laid before the Grand Council
of the Union for its action.

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 28.—District At-
torney L. V. B. Martin met Judge Busted of
the United States District Court, this morn-
ing, in front of the Custom House, and ac-
cused him, saying, "Judge, will you allow
that indictment against me to take its course?"
Judge Busted replied, "Sir, the law
must take its course." Martin then drew his
revolver, and fired upon the Judge, who fell
to the pavement, having received two shots,
one below the breast-bone, and another in
the right leg.

GENERAL SHERMAN will remain here un-
til about the middle of next month, for
the purpose of getting up his report of the In-
dian peace commission. He says the accounts
of the Indian war have been greatly exagger-
ated. The war was principally fought in
the newspapers and in Congress, and the
cost of the real war in the West was very
much less than has been represented.

Washington, Star, Dec. 30.

The Union League Club in New York have
leased Mr. Leonard W. Jerome's new club
house on the corner of Madison avenue and
Twenty-sixth street, for ten years. The club
will take possession in February. The lease
includes the theatre. There are already
two clubs, the Athenaeum and Eclectic, on
Madison square.

Five candidates for the senatorship, to
succeed Hon. Reverdy Johnson, are already
named. Among them are the inevitable
Governor Swann, and the somewhat cele-
brated B. G. Harris. Mr. William Pinkney
Whyte seems to be the favorite at present.
Mr. Johnson is not thought of as a possible
successor to himself.

In the eighth Ohio district represented
by the late Hon. C. S. Hamilton, the re-
publicans had 247 majority in October. They
talk of nominating Dol. R. Brinkerhoff, who
during the war did the country good service
both as post quartermaster at Augusta,
Maine, and on the stump.

An Ohio democratic paper mourning the
declining prospects of Mr. Vallandigham
says that "the masses" of the party have
their hearts set on his election to the Senate
but it is evident that they will be disap-
pointed, as a large majority of the members
of the legislature are pledged to Judge Thur-
man.

A Canadian paper relates that the mayor
of Brantford while reading a written motion
by one of the councillors, broke out into a
loud laugh at seeing a cannell. The mayor
explained that it should be spelled *cannell*.
Other members objected to this and a gen-
eral discussion ensued, which was finally en-
ded by a compromise being agreed on. By
unanimous vote, it was agreed that cannell
is the true root, a fact in etymology known
by either Webster or Worcester.

A grocer in Quebec advertises "The pecu-
liar delicacies of the far off Ind, and the
finely flavoured and humanising leaf of the
still farther Cathay, the more exciting,
though not less delicious berry of Brazil, and
the spices, sugars, and luscious fruits of the
Antilles; the sugared condiments and blood-
enriching wines of the Mediterranean, and
the salt-cured and brain-renewing fish of our
own stormy gulf." What he means to say
is that he sells tea, coffee and codfish cheap
for cash.

REMARKABLE BIBLE READING.

Many of the anecdotes compressed within the fol-
lowing paragraph it is easy to verify; and every
reader will acknowledge the value of the
lesson which they are intended to teach.

Remarkable as some of them are, not one ap-
proaches what is related, and earnestly be-
lieved in the East, of a famous Mohammedan,
namely, that during his confinement in the
prison at Bagdad, where he died, he read over
the Koran seven thousand times.

That we may see—says Dr. Plummer—what
can be done in becoming acquainted with
the Bible, let us look at a few facts:—Euse-
bius tells us of one who had his eyes burned
out in the Diocletian persecution, and who
repeated in a public assembly the very
words of Scripture with as much accuracy
as if he had been reading them. Jerome
says of Napo tian that by reading and me-
ditation he made his soul a library of Christ.

Theodosius the younger was so familiar with
the word of God that he made it a subject
of conversation with the old bishops, as if
he had been one of them. Augustine says that
after his conversion he ceased to relish
even Cicero, his former favorite author, and
that the Scriptures were his delight. Ter-
tullian spent a great part of his time in
reading the Scriptures, and committed large
portions of them to memory. In his youth,
Berna learned all Paul's Epistles in Greek
thoroughly that when he was eighty years
old he could repeat them in that language.

Cramer is said to have been able to repeat
the New Testament from memory. Luther
was one of the most indefatigable students
of the Bible that the world has ever seen.—
Ridley said: "The walls and trees of my
orchard, could they speak, would bear wit-
ness that there I learned by heart almost
all the Epistles; of which study, although a
great part was lost, yet the sweet savor there-
of I still carry with me to heaven."

John Hartop, a man of many cares, made
the Book of God so much his study that it
lay before him eight hours a day. A French
nobelman used to read three chapters of the
Bible every day on bended knees, with his
head uncovered.

THE WAR IN CRETE.—Fifty thousand refu-
gees have been taken off the island of Crete
to Athens, and other parts of Greece. The
latest news from the island is highly favor-
able to the Turks, who seem determined,
now that the insurgents have forced them to
renew hostilities, to carry on the war with
energy. The troops have moved and occu-
pied nearly all the mountain passes, to the
great dismay of the insurgents. The Eastern
and Western Districts have sent in their
submission, and the Central only shows signs
of resistance.

The reorganization of the government of
the island is most favorable to the future
welfare of the inhabitants. A Governor and
three Christian sub-Governors have been ap-
pointed. A general council are to be cre-
ated. The Cretans are the least taxed sub-
jects of the Porte, paying about \$2 per head
annually. When these reforms are carried
into effect the Grand Vicer will return to
the capital.

A Constantinople correspondent, writing
on Cretan affairs, says: Present appearances
indicate that the funds of the Cretan com-
mittee are exhausted. So long as the sin-
ews of war existed there was no lack of ad-
ventures and filibusters ready to join the
insurgent, but now they all desert the cause
and leave the unfortunate Cretans to their
fate. If Russia does not hasten to comply
with her secret engagement by rendering
more material aid, the insurgents will sur-
ely fail, and her influence in the East will
be irretrievably lost.

December and the Napoleon Dynasty.

The month of December is remarkable for
events interesting to the Napoleon family.

Sixty-three years have elapsed since Napo-
leon I. was crowned in the Cathedral of Notre
Dame by Pius VII. On the first of Decem-
ber (1807) Jerome Bonaparte was proclaimed
King of Westphalia. On the second of the
same month (1805) was fought the battle of
Austerlitz. On the fourth (1808) Napoleon
entered Madrid. On the tenth (1848) Citiz-
en Louis Napoleon Bonaparte was elected
President of the French Republic. On the
sixteenth (1809) took place the divorce of
Napoleon from Josephine. On the eight-
eenth (1812) Napoleon returned to Paris
after the disastrous campaign of Russia.

On the twenty-third (1806) Napoleon defeat-
ed the Russians at Gernova. On the evening
of the twenty-fourth (1800) the infernal
machine exploded as the First Consul was
going to the opera. On the twenty-sixth
(1777) Marie Julie, the wife of Joseph Bon-
aparte was born. It was on the fifth of De-
cember, 1792, that the National Convention
decreed the penalty of death against all who
exported grain from the territory of the Re-
public. And the butchery of Napoleon III's
coup d'etat occurred in December.

The eruption of Vesuvius.

A correspondent of the London Times,
writing from Naples, gives interesting par-
ticulars of the eruption of Vesuvius. A day
or two since a perfectly formed circle of
flame, vacant within, mounted high into the
air, and then remained suspended for some
time. Though many persons ascend the
mountain every night, no accident has yet
occurred. The form of the mountain has
become materially altered, for the cone,
which for seven years past has been depressed
has now shot up above the crater. The lava
flows down in increasing floods, encroaching
even on the path of the ascent; and it is the
opinion of the scientific that the eruption
will continue for some time.

APPALLING DISASTER.—FOUR HUNDRED
LIVES LOST AT SEA.—A letter from Rio,
dated November 24th, contains the follow-
ing appalling statement:—This morning, a
Brazilian steamer has arrived from Monte-
video, bringing the news of the loss of the
English mail steamer Saturn, in a terrible
gale off that place a week ago. She was
iron clad, and one of the finest looking
steamers I ever saw. She left the harbor of
Bahia while we were at anchor there. When
she went down she had on board 400 persons,
including the crew and passengers. Among
the latter was the English Minister, who had
just been relieved to enable him to make a
short visit home. He, with the rest, was lost,
only fourteen out of the whole being saved.

INDIANA is to appropriate \$413,549 to per-
sons who lost property by Morgan's raid. The
commission having the matter in charge
report only \$330,000 of this amount as hav-
ing been attributable directly to Morgan's
men, and the rest to State troops and un-
known parties.

GENERAL NEWS.

France is to reduce the price of telegraph-
ic despatches again.

General Gillmore is bombarding a target
at Fort Tomkins.

California's debt is \$5,126,500,—less than
it was four years ago.

The internal revenue collections in New
York last year reached \$7,650,000.

A colony of Southerners have squatted at
Belize where land is only 25 cts. an acre.

Cholera is raging fiercely in the town of
Hamm, Prussia. It is in a very fatal form.

Cincinnati has 23,455 scholars in her pub-
lic schools, of whom 10,123 study German.

The sub-treasurer of New York counted
\$81,000,000 in gold, on Tuesday, in one hour.

Fifty-three divorces were granted by courts
in New York city during 1867.

Members of the Quebec local legislature
are to have a salary of \$3000. The premier
will have \$4000.

Although 143 newspapers are published in
Iowa, there is not one religious newspaper
among them all.

Greenbrier County, Virginia, has found
marble, equal in every respect to Parian or
Serravezza marble.

The United States contains 38,000 miles
of completed railroad track, the total cost
of which was \$1,655,000,000.

Never before were the rivers in the west-
ern States known to remain so low so late in
the year.

Salmon ova to the number of 300,000 were
lately planted in a single day in a river of
England.

A Tyler (Texas) wine grower has shipped
thirty barrels of wine to New Orleans this
season. Market price five dollars a barrel.

In two years California has expended for
extraordinary purposes nearly three million
dollars.

Some of the New York merchants who
imported large quantities of opera cloaks in
the fall are now suffering therefor.

Certain Northampton ladies drew a barrel
of flour on a sled to the door of their pastor
on Christmas eve.

Baron Bens is a protestant, but the baron-
ess has been collecting subscriptions for the
Pope.

Out of 30,000 couples married last year
in Ireland, 11,600 of the men and 15,000 of
the women affixed their marks instead of
their signatures to the register.

It is anticipated that the coming prize
fight between McCoolle and Coburn will end
fatally, the hostility between the men being
of the bitterest character.

It is calculated that the perishable articles
frozen up on the boats in the New York
canals, principally potatoes and apples
amount to some millions of dollars worth.

It is stated that an operator on the Paris
Bourse pays 80,000 francs for the privilege
of writing the financial articles in one of
the journals.

Twenty-four of the leading banking houses
of Europe held at the close of October
£104,414,439 in specie, a slight reduction
during the month.

All the Prussian envoys are shortly to be
recalled, to be immediately reappointed in
the name of the North German Confederation.

Livonia is making an earnest effort, by an
address to the Czar through its parliament,
to have the German language continued as
the official tongue in the Baltic provinces.

In a suit before a court of Maine one item
in an offset account was "for looting in de-
fendant's shop, at the rate of fifty dollars
per annum." Storage is a fair charge.

Up to Dec. 23 the lumber survey at Ban-
gor, Maine, this year amounted to 206,488,
355 feet, about thirty million feet less than
last year, but forty million more than in
1865.

No more track is to be laid on the Union
Pacific Railroad this season, but the winter
will see the transportation of a vast quan-
tity of material to the present terminus, pre-
paratory to a vigorous campaign next year.

examination of an old chest purchased for
\$6 almost nothing at an auction sale by a gen-
tleman in Pennsylvania, revealed a false bot-
tom and a large amount of money in gold
and silver coin; all more than a hundred
years old.

An English lady who married an Italian
nobleman, complained to the Roman govern-
ment that her villa at Remi was sacked by
the Antibes legion. She was accordingly
directed to leave Rome within twenty-four
hours. Such is Roman justice.

The University at Pekin, China, has exam-
ined 14,000 students at one time and 6000 is
the average number. The low state of
education among the pupils may be inferred
when we state that not one of them can spell
so simple a word as *cat*.

In the case of a man charged with pur-
posely throwing a train of cars off the track,
and thus causing the death of the engineer,
the jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and
fixed his punishment at one years imprison-
ment in the county jail.

The United States Agricultural Society has
awarded its grand silver medal to Dr.
E. Kelley of Newburyport for successful
experiments in raising forest trees. His re-
port on the subject is to be published in the
next volume of the society's proceedings.

The Agricultural College at Amherst has
all the students it can accommodate, and as
new applications are constantly being re-
ceived, the trustees have determined to pe-
tition the legislature for a grant of \$50,000
with which to erect new buildings.

When the Empress Eugenie inquired of
the prefect of Paris why he had made the
boulevards so long and straight and tire-
some, he replied that it was because generals
of artillery had found it impossible to teach
cannon balls to turn a corner.

Some one writes from Pentwater, Mich.,
that that town has "one of the finest skating
parks in the State, three-fourths of a mile
by three miles; the ice is in splendid condi-
tion, and huge bonfires at night taking the
place of gas."

The Nevada courts decide, without quali-
fication, that a man convicted by his own
confession of stealing quartz specimens from
the ledge "must be acquitted, because a ledge
is real estate, and real estate cannot be
stolen."

Holland claims that Luxemburg owes her
seven million francs, a debt of thirty-seven
years' standing. The grand duchy insists
that Holland is her debtor, and Holland de-
clines to submit the two claims to an arbitra-
tion.

During the recent cold weather a boat was
placed on runners and pushed over the ice
from Fort Delaware to Delaware city, a dis-
tance of three miles. In twenty years there
has not been so much ice in the Delaware
River as at that time.

A Scotchman stopped at a hotel in Bou-
logne where the servants had just been im-
ported from England. In the morning he
accosted a waiting maid with "Fetch me
ma shoon, lassie." "Ah, sir," said she, "I
don't understand French."

The freemasons of Philadelphia are to
erect a granite temple 250 feet long, 150
feet wide and with a tower 300 feet high.
It is to be placed so that there will be a
street on every side, is to cost three quarters
of a million, and be five years in building.
The lot is already purchased.

An eagle that had been slightly wounded
at Easton, the other day, struck its talons
into the boot of a man who had attacked it,
and while in that position was seized by the
legs and neck by the man and captured alive.
From tip to tip it measured eight feet and
weighed seventeen pounds.

A dog stirred up a nest of rats in a barn
at Brattleborough, the other day, and a man
came up just in time to see them take refuge
in a barrel. Putting a cover on it, he poured
in a quantity of hot water, and when the
struggles within had ceased counted up no
less than seventy dead rats.

It is stated in a Paris periodical that sui-
cide by charcoal fires in a close room is
purely a literary invention, first used by M.
Crosnier in a drama produced in 1825.
Since then it has been the fashion for work-
ing girls bent on self-destruction to accom-
plish their ends in this way.

Judge Griswold riding in Western Mis-
souri was stopped by highwayman and com-
pelled to give up his pocket-book. He asked
the thieves to leave those papers which were
of no use to them, and they did so, handing
him back at the same time twenty-five cents,
telling him to keep it for beer-money.

The Russian government, through its com-
missioners, who for some time past have
been stopping in Hartford, has contracted
with the Colt patent fire arms company of
that city, for the manufacture of 30,000 Ber-
dan rifles, to be finished in 18 months.
The government also contracts for a number
of Gatling rifled cannon. Prussia has ordered
100 of the latter arm.

Dr. Abernethy rarely met his match, but
on one occasion he fairly owned that he had.
He was sent for by an innkeeper who had
had a quarrel with his wife, who had scar-
ed his face with her nails, so that the poor
man was bleeding and much disfigured.
Abernethy thought this an opportunity not
to be lost for admonishing the offender, and
said, "Madam, are you not ashamed of your-
self to treat your husband thus—the hus-
band who is the head of all—your head,
madam, in fact?" "Well doctor," fiercely
returned the virago, "and may I not scratch
my own head?"

During 1867, the public works of Chicago
were as follows:—Two and a half millions
expended in buildings, fifteen miles of sewers
constructed, 260 inquests, 337 application
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HEADQUARTERS 2ND MILITARY DISTRICT.

Charlesston, S. C., Dec. 31, 1867.

General Orders,
No. 165.

At the election held in the State of North
Carolina, on the 19th and 20th days of No-
vember, 1867, pursuant to General Orders,
No. 101, from these Headquarters, dated
October 13, 1867, a majority of the regis-
tered voters of the said State having voted on
the question of holding a Convention, and a
majority of the votes cast, being in favor of
holding such Convention, the delegates elect-
ed thereto, and hereinafter named, are here-
by notified, in conformity with the provi-
sions of the fourth section of the Act of Con-
gress of March 23, 1867, to assemble in con-
vention in the city of Raleigh, North Caro-
lina, at noon, on Tuesday, the 14th day of
January, 1868, for the purpose of framing a
constitution and civil government according
to the provisions of the aforesaid Act of the
23d day of March, 1867, and of the Act of
the 2d day of March, 1867, to which it is
supplementary.

A copy of this order will be furnished to
each of the persons hereinafter named, and
shall be the evidence of his having been
elected as a delegate to the aforesaid Con-
vention.

OFFICIAL LIST OF DELEGATES.

Anson.—Henry Ch