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To the Conservative Press of Louisiana:

It has been proposed to call a Convention of the conductors of the Conservative newspapers of the State, for the purpose of conferring together upon the various subjects of public interest, political, financial and industrial, which now agitate the people, as well as to consult together upon such policy as may be proper to be adopted by the Conservative press in the next political campaign, so that uniform and well understood action may be had.

This suggestion has already been approved by the following journals:

The Iberville *South*.
The Opelousas *Courier*.
The Baton Rouge *Gazette and Comet*.
The Assumption *Pioneer*.
The *Planters' Banner*, (St. Mary.)
The West Baton Rouge *Sugar Planter*.
The *Conservative* of Morehouse Parish.

And no doubt by others which have not yet been heard from.

The Conservative press of New Orleans also approve the suggestion, and as conductors thereof, we invite you to attend such a Convention in this city, on Monday, February 28.

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WAS OUR INDIGNATION BEEN UNPROVOKED?

The *Times*, of all the Conservative press of New Orleans, has been the only paper which has attempted to break the force of the late public demonstrances against the bribery, corruption and misrule which have marked the proceedings of our present law-makers in the State Government.

In its issue of yesterday it honors the *Bee* with its notice, no doubt with the hope of disturbing our equanimity and withdrawing our attention from more important matters. It does not undertake directly to defend the parties who have been accused of these corrupt and tyrannical practices, but it accomplishes the same end by employing its powers of ridicule and sarcasm in the hope of belittling and rendering ineffective the measures which have been adopted to give a marked public expression of the indignation of the people of Louisiana at the conduct of the leaders of the Radical Party in this State.

The *Times* actually puts this interrogatory to the people of Louisiana. "Shall We Be Indignant?" as if everything were serene, everything going on right, as if after surveying the field, it had come to the conclusion there had not been much harm done after all as if, after the subsidence of the storm, it had looked out upon the face of nature and exclaimed, "Hush! it was not much of a shower after all! The *Times* tells us we are all mistaken about the object of the committee of citizens in their visit to Governor Warmoth, and that we have misrepresented the Governor's speech in the paragraphs we made of it. The *Times* treats the matter lightly about which this entire population is agitated, and tells us in effect that there is no cause for our indignation, that the committee did not visit the Governor for any such purpose as to charge him with having received bribes and participated in making vicious laws, nor did the Governor repel the accusation by charging the people whom the committee represented with having been the bribing parties and responsible for the whole of things described in the resolutions." The *Times* must permit us to say that it is free ingenuous than we could have expected. Everybody knows who read the articles of the *Bee* which the *Times* refers to, that we did not profess to give the literal words of the resolutions presented to the Governor nor his literal words in reply to the committee. We stated distinctly that we had "reduced" Governor Warmoth's speech into "small compass" that we had "boiled it down," and the *Times* perfectly understands that we only intended to give the gist of the conference. We tell our cotemporary most distinctly that the time has gone by when political trickster's, and trimmers and office-seekers can take a charge of every shovelful that the mass meeting of Monday night and secretly use it for their own selfish and corrupt purposes. The time has gone by when artful persons, finding there is going to be a serious movement, can come forward to participate in it only for the purpose of causing it to fail.

We have had intercourse with some of the members of the committee who waited upon Gov. Warmoth, and who left his presence mortified beyond expression that they had been led into a trap by designing men. It was upon their authority we made the observations which have been so unpleasant to the *Times*. Those gentlemen feel that the charges of the Governor should have been answered on the spot; that otherwise they stand condemned, and that is the fault of those who interfered with the conference. The *Times* quotes from the remarks made by Mr. Marshall J. Smith, a member of the committee, but with Warmoth's own coming in creeps out of sight that part of his speech to the Governor that we objected to. It is in these words, as reported in the *Tribune*:

"Mr. Marshall J. Smith: For one, I acknowledge the error. I feel that if your intentions have been such as you now state, that I have been to blame, and in a great many respects, which I have observed, I perceive that what you have stated is perfectly correct. I have seen you veto bills of the most infamous character, and I have kept silent. Though I have no ambition as a politician, I believe, for myself it was our duty to give you support. I am sorry, Governor, you did not present yourself at this meeting the other night. There is a party forming in this city, who design to act against the honest men of every political shade and color. We intended to hold a meeting, and in that meeting honest men, without respect of party or color, will be welcome.

"Here we find Mr. Smith acknowledging that he had committed an error in charging the Governor with any misconduct, and apologizing for his having refused the Governor his support. If Mr. Smith was right, the committee and the mass meeting which represented it were wrong, and they are not prepared to admit.

Now Mr. Smith is entitled to his own opinion, but we cannot allow his speech to close the case, so far as it was uttered by a private citizen, without taking occasion to express our astonishment. He had no authority to make apologetic language for the citizens of New Orleans. His services in the war have nothing to do with the question.

In a tone of levity unsuited to the gravity of the occasion the *Times* asks, "Shall we be indignant?" The community have already answered this indecent impertinency. They are indignant not only that they are ignorant in their minds of why committee to have nothing to do with Radicals, yet feel so differently in associating with them when they desire to make use of them, but that there are persons among them, who stand ready to take off the edge from every accusation that may be brought against the Radical leaders, and secretly play into their hands, while at the same time they

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The gentlemen who composed the committee, and who paid the Governor so high a compliment as to accept his variously worded statements as a refutation of the many charges which are daily made against his honesty and veracity, must feel now how useless it is for honest and sorry men to have any dealings with such a man as Warmoth. They could not have him upon his own ground, for the very reason that they were honest, and therefore ignorant of the many dishonest dealings of the Legislature and administration.

Warmoth did not meet them with positive and clear explanations, but by suggestions and charges against others. It is a large excuse of one's conduct to say that others were worse, and the Governor, notwithstanding his careful weeding of his remarks, and the more correction of the proof in the *Republican*, has evidently put his foot into it.

He makes a distinct charge that he was offered, by a gentleman of this city, a bribe of fifty thousand dollars if he would sign the bill to pave St. Charles street with the Nicolson pavement. But, cautious Governor, does not charge the Southern Paving Co., or any of its officers with having done so. He only mentions the fact that E. J. Hart is the President of that company, and that the Board of Directors is composed of some of our most respectable merchants, and intended that the two assertions should be taken together, and lead the readers of his remarks, and his hearers below, to infer that E. J. Hart indirectly offered him a bribe. Unfortunate Governor! Innocent Warmoth! You made a great mistake, and one for which the people of New Orleans should return their thanks. You pitched upon the one man of all men who was and is the most prominent and shining example of that large class of merchants in this city who will not and can not do anything that will bear the slightest resemblance of a suspicion of fraud and corruption. E. J. Hart has been prominent before the public of New Orleans for over thirty years in whatever as a merchant, and in that character, even, he has never allowed his name to be noticed by newspapers, except as to a simple advertisement of his mercantile firm. He does not allow any editorial notices to be given, and refrains always from having his name, as an individual, published. This is owing only to the deep sense of modesty and timidity which he has always manifested in private affairs, in having either his name or person noticed in public. The history of his untiring energy, integrity and liberal sentiments is not recopied in the files of the newspapers of our city, but is well attested in the books of our merchants—our banks—our insurance companies—our railroads, and in our steamship companies, and above all, in the grand climax of every great merchant's hope, the credit and standing of his house here and all over the world. He stands, to-day, as the representative man of our merchants—and this is the man whom Warmoth has forced from his retired position.

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Henry White and Milt McDermott were acutally disposed of for like offences.

Officer John McCartney was convicted of false imprisonment of J. J. Foley, Esq. The sentence was postponed.

Robert Britton was sentenced for larceny to one month and five days in the Parish Prison.

Adeline Ralfour, charged with assault and battery, was sentenced to pay $1 or lie three days in the Parish Prison.

A new trial was granted in the case of Starrel, charged with assault and battery.

New Orleans vs. Carrollton.—City Attorney Beckwith having discovered that there was still seven preliminary notes executed by the city of Carrollton, in favor of the city of New Orleans, for a loan for the Carrollton Railroad, and in a fourfold storm of the night. Thus far four fire disasters have been reported off the coast, all occurring yesterday. The schooner Elenor, from Baltimore, with a cargo of fertilizer consigned to Parsley & Co., of this city, was blown ashore, at 4 P. M., on the beach below Fort Fisher, and immediately went to pieces. She was supposed to be her entire crew was lost. When the vessel went to pieces there five men were clinging to different portions of the wreck, but in a few moments were all washed off by the heavy sea and lost.

The other three vessels are the Sesame Coburn, Capt. Farrow, of Hyde county; the Ellen, Capt. Satchell, of Elizabeth City, and the schooner Jane, of this county, all having cargoes of corn, consigned to merchants here. It is not definitely known what the storage of the total loss or not. Some hopes are entertained for the safety of the Ray.

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WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Internal revenue receipts to-day over $500,000.

Chisbeck has deciined the Portuguese mission.

The President has promulgated the Chinese treaty.

Hugh Ewing will be recalled from the Hague.

HOUSE.—A general debate to-day.

Mr. Sheldon, of Louisiana, spoke on the cotton tax and tariff, arguing from facts and figures in favor of maintaining the duty on sugar.

Washington, Feb. 5.—SENATE.—The Committee on Commerce held a meeting to-day, and considered, among other things, the levees of the Mississippi river. The matter was finally referred to a sub-committee, composed of Senators Buckingham and Kellogg.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The Hon. Truman H. Hoge, a representative from Ohio, died of pneumonia to-night.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

New York, Feb. 5.—Mr. Stoughton, of Prince Arthur's party, denies the assassination story.

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—Three fires occurred here to-day. Loss $20,000.

Louisville, Feb. 5.—Gen. Preuitice will be buried with Masonic honors to-morrow.

Wilmington, Feb. 5.—Last night was one of the most terrible ever experienced here, and the gale is still raging with great fury. Nine disasters have been reported off the coast, all occurring yesterday. The schooner Elenor, from Baltimore, with a cargo of fertilizer consigned to Parsley & Co., of this city, was blown ashore, at 4 P. M., on the beach below Fort Fisher, and immediately went to pieces. She was supposed to be her entire crew was lost. When the vessel went to pieces there five men were clinging to different portions of the wreck, but in a few moments were all washed off by the heavy sea and lost.

The other three vessels are the Sesame Coburn, Capt. Farrow, of Hyde county; the Ellen, Capt. Satchell, of Elizabeth City, and the schooner Jane, of this county, all having cargoes of corn, consigned to merchants here. It is not definitely known what the storage of the total loss or not. Some hopes are entertained for the safety of the Ray.

The only advices from Fisher is reported in $240 State charge at 74½. Dealers bought State at 72@72½ and Metropolitan Police at 70, and sold at 72½@75.

City Treasury notes were without any apparent movement. Dealers bought small sums at 93 and sold at 93½. A lot of $700 sold yesterday at the latter rate.

COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE BEE,
SATURDAY EVENING, Feb. 5, 1870.

COTTON.—The sales to-day amount to 6000 bales, for regular and ready prices, especially for the inferior grades, which are relatively higher than good style middling, quarter inch and half inch long middling, quite clean white and even colored, bring full prices, without extra staples—said, as above over outside figures; we now quote as follows: Low ordinary 9½@9¾; ordinary 10@10¼; low middling 10¾@10¾; middling 11@11¼; good middling 11¾@11¾; strict middling 11¾@12 and good middling 12¼@12¼.

Both the supply and the demand were moderate, and several lots were purchased at prices a fraction higher than the rates of yesterday. The market was generally steady at easier rates, and in many cases at a decline of fully ¼c. The sales were confined to the lower grades of middling descriptions, which are generally represented with a straight staple, and some allege that low middling should be quoted at 11½@11¾, as yesterday. The extent of the business was as follows: 50 bales at 9½c for average low ordinary and 20 11-16@9¾ for strict rendered; it is necessary to go back to 1866 to find our quotations above, but with the accompanying qualification.

COTTON STATEMENT.

Stock on hand Sept. 1st, 1869, bales	770
Arrived since last statement	1,500
Total	2,270
Cleared to-day	2,750
Cleared previously	695,110
Stock on hand and on shipboard	694,360

To-day's exports embraced 3139 bales to Liverpool, 3270 to Boston, 1807 to New York and 174 to Philadelphia. The exports since last evening and since September 1st 1869 for the corresponding time last year and since September 1st 696,780 against 569,967 last year.

MOLASSES.—The receipts this morning were small, being confined to 150 hogsheads. The demand is good, and the supplies were mostly sold at firmer prices. Interior 14@16c; common strictly prime; good common 18@20c; fair 20@22c; good fair 24@26c; fully fair 26½@27c; prime 31½@32c; choice 33@34c; yellow clarified 34@35c; white 38@40c per gallon.

SUGAR.—The receipts were light this morning, being confined to 70 hhds and 300 half do. The demand is good and prices are still firmer. The supplies were all sold at 6¾@7c per gallon for interior; 7½@8c for fair to prime; 8½@9c for choice; 9½@10c for strictly prime to choice. Half barrels prime sold at 7½@8 gallon.

ARRIVALS FROM THE WEST.—The steamer H. Wicks, from Louisville, has arrived since our review of yesterday.

CORN.—Good Corn continues scarce and in request, and firmer prices, while poor is plenty and dull. Sales to-day were 4100 sacks, of which 600 inferior at 68c; 1800 white in store, 840 white and yellow and 1460 do. in sacks and on the landing, at 71@72½; 2000 white at 68 and good shedding 70½@72½.

OATS.—We note a light supply and firm market at 75c per bushel. 400 sacks 1100 sacks sold at 75c per bushel.

BRAN.—Is in light supply and firm at $1 20 @ $1 40 lbs. 450 sacks sold at $1 30 per 200 lbs.

FLOUR.—Treble and choice extra are in fair supply and dull, while double extra and the grades below are scarce and very much in demand. Fine is quoted at $5 @ $5 25; superfine $5 30@$5 50; single extra $5 65@$5 75; double extra $5 80@$6 00; treble extra $6 to $6 25; choice extra $6 50@$6 75; family extra $7 50@$8 per bbl. Owing to the scarcity of the grades wanted, the sales to-day are confined to 2500 bbls, of which 100 fine at $5 30, 200 and 300 superfine at $5 60; 100 do at $5 90; 25 single extra at $5 75; 50 double extra at $5 90, 200 and 250 double extra at $6 05; 100 and 500 treble extra at $6; 100 do at $6 25; 150 and 150 choice extra on private terms.

HAY.—Is in light supply and firm at $28 for prime, and $30 for choice. A lot of 200 bales choice Western sold at $30 per ton, and some prime at $28.

PORK.—Is in light supply and fair demand at firm prices. Sales to-day are bbls mess, of which 60, 100, 300 and 175 at $20 50; and 150 at $20 75 per bbl. Subsequently holders were asking $20 at wholesale. It is retailing at $20 50.

DRY SALT MEAT.—R. S. and 10 casks shoulders sold at 12c; 2 R. S. and 10 casks shoulders sold at 12c; clear rib sides 17@17½c; clear sides 18½@19c; P. R.

LARD.—Is in fair supply and demand. 10 tierces pressed sold at 16½c; 100 and 500 kegs do at 18c.

LOUISIANA RICE.—The local demand is fair and prices are steady. Receipts are only moderate but the stock is on hand in large. We quote round lots as follows: Choice 7½@7¾c; prime to good 6½@7c; ordinary 5¾@6½c; inferior and broken 2¼@5½c per lb.

CORN MEAL.—Is scarce and firm. Kiln-dried is quoted at $2 @ $2 10 on the landing and $2 25@$2 50 from store. 50 bbls sold from store at the latter price.

BALING TWINE.—Is selling slowly at 20@21c per lb.

Rooms and Insurance Office of BRUNO & WARNER,

No. 148 Gravier street, near St. Charles.

Quotations Sovereigns.....
Old.....
English Bank Notes.....
20 Francs.....
Bank of France (on France).....
Prussian.....
5 Thaler Prussian.....
5 Guilders Holl.....
Kroners.....
Swedish.....
Spanish Doubloons.....
Patriot.....

GOLD.

English Silver.....
Mexican Dollars.....
Spanish.....
Peruvian.....
German.....
Trade.....
Peruvian Paper Thaler.....
Guilders.....
Specie.....
Spanish Silver 5 Duros.....

United States Market.

OFFICE OF THE BEE, Feb. 5, 1870.

Arrived yesterday—Steamer Ouachita, Vicksburg and Yazoo City, mdse.

Steamer Natchez, Natchez, mdse.

Steamer Ben Franklin, Red River, mdse.

Steamer Ida, Bayou Sara, mdse.

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