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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT;

AUSTIN, August 20, 1871.

To A. Siemering & Co.,
You are hereby notified that I have this day
appended to your "The San Antonio Express," the Official Journal of the Twenty-third
Judicial District.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed
my name and caused to be affixed, at
the City of Austin, this 22nd day of August, in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and the Independence of
Texas, the thirty-fifth.

EDMUND J. DAVIS, Governor,
By the governor,
JAMES P. NEWCOMB.

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Call for a Republican County Convention.

In compliance to a call of the President of the Executive Committee of the fourth Congressional District, for a Convention to be held at New Braunfels, on the 14th day of August, 1871, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress of said fourth Congressional District. The undersigned Republicans have agreed to call a

County Convention,

to be held on Saturday, the 15th day of July, in San Antonio, at the Fireman's Hall, to be composed of eighteen delegates and a like number of alternates, who will be elected by the Republicans of the different precincts, on Tuesday, the 11th day of July, as follows: Precinct No. 1, (city) 13 delegates, and 13 alternates. The meeting at this precinct will be held at the Fireman's Hall at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Precinct No. 2—One delegate and one alternate.

Precinct No. 3—One delegate and one alternate.

Precinct No. 4—Two delegates and two alternates.

Precinct No. 5—One delegate and one alternate.

San Antonio, July 20, 1871.

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Wm. Reid, Berkin Carpenter,

H. H. Walker,

Northern and Southern Treatment of Homicide.

The Democratic papers of Texas, whenever it happens that they pay editorial at

tention to numerous assassinations and

homicide, with the details of which their

columns are made interesting, either as an

excessive palliation, exaggerated accounts

of crimes that are committed in the larger

cities of the North.

It is perhaps unnecessary to say much on

the subject of crime in the South. In general, or in our own State in particular. Our exchanges, however, from the various associations of the State, show that in detailed account of prominent citizens settling their

misunderstandings by cowardly assassinations or by bloody mutinies on the public stage, experienced by bad whiskey and a want of moral courage to defy the depraved and wicked public sentiment which is always with the criminal and the body.

We all know how Texas juries dealt with

homicides in by-gone-days. Our own com-

munity is not a fair criterion to judge by,

as Western Texas has always been the civilised portion of the State; but even in our

own city, while hundreds of men have been

killed in "personal difficulties," and notwith-

standing it has happened time and again

that self-constituted, irresponsible

secret committees have hung and shot in-

nocent and guilty alike, it is not that

but two legal executions have taken place,

and then the condemned were Mexicans,

despots of friends and money; but a

Southern gentleman had anything to fear

from the law when the vindication of his

honor(?) or the gratification of personal

revenge necessitated the shedding of hu-

man blood, was an obscenity that might well have justified the abolition of the usual fare of trial. Thanks to Republicanism, this barbarous state of affairs has been somewhat modified to accord with the prevailing customs of more civilized countries.

Let us repeat the arguments of those who would excuse murder in Texas because it is practised likewise in New York.

The murders or homicides that are committed in the North are for the greater part confined to the lower classes in the crowded cities, and, generally speaking, to seaport cities, where the sum of the world is gathered together, and where the struggle for life is fierce, the competition being very great, that sometimes dozens of families occupy incredibly small space; under such circumstances that there should be frequent collisions is not so unusual, but how is it in Texas, where men live miles apart, and have, comparatively speaking, no difficulty in obtaining the necessities of life, and therefore are not brought into contact or collision? We think that upon observation we would find that this very class that are quoted as a set off to Southern rowdiness, belong soul and body to the same Democracy, and therefore the argument comes back upon its advocates with the force of a boomerang.

While in the South it was, and in many sections still is, the exceptional case that homicide is punished, in the North the reverse is exactly the case. There crime is inevitably followed by punishment, unless it be that the offender is some Democratic striker of sufficient political importance to justify a party effort to release him, as is being done now in the Foster case; but the rule is that the man who commits murder in the North is either actually hung or imprisoned for a long term of years, and it is unknown that he turns up again since his victim's death. While the criminals in the North belong to the uneducated and depraved class, the shooting in the South is done to a great extent by the men that are looked upon as being the first men of the country. The idea of a Northern farmer or merchant carrying weapons on his person for weeks, with the intention of killing a neighbor with whom he may have some business misunderstanding, is utterly incomprehensible to him. A similar condition of public sentiment can be brought about in Texas by an efficient management of the free school system, by the selection of reliable men of acknowledged ability for district judges, the maintenance of the State police in its present efficient condition, and in promoting the immigration of intelligent settlers. And the people of Texas ought to know from what party they are to expect these and similar beneficial measures.

Our Cuban Difficulties.

It seems that the United States Government is carrying on a war of no insurable dimensions.

Commodore Rodgers has unexpectedly attracted public attention to his prompt and efficient chastisement of the Cubans. Cuba has for many centuries maintained a bad reputation on account of the rigor and cruelty with which its inhabitants have uniformly treated all shipwrecked sailors that have fallen into their hands, and the frequent massacres of Catholic missionaries who have from time to time endeavored to establish missions on the peninsula. The pirates and wreckers having largely committed some acts of extraordinary cruelty on American citizens, Commodore Rodgers, with a small fleet, was sent into the Chinese waters to obtain redress from the Corsair authorities.

His efforts were treated with contempt, and evasion, and the outrages being repeated, the commodore demanded an apology, which was refused. A force was then fitted, and after two or three weeks' operations, five forts were captured, including the stronghold of Kiang Ho, defended by some four thousand troops; 481 pieces of ordnance were captured, and a quantity of warlike material. The superior range of the commodore's guns had much to do with this brilliant success.

The size of this country is about twice as large as our peninsula of Florida, and the population is estimated at from ten to fifteen millions, and resemble their neighbors, the Chinese, very much.

The vigorous advances of Commodore Rodgers may lead to the breaking down of Cuban exclusiveness and result in extending our commerce.

We admire this boldshell diplomacy, but it should not be confined to the "barren China." The Spaniards have frequently, of late years, insulted American consuls, and molested American citizens, and our naval officers have generally countenanced themselves with reporting the outrage to the department. Commodore Rodgers should be sent to the Cuban waters, and he would be then the right man at the right place.

The Universal Safeguard.

It is indeed for State legislatures to pass laws for the preservation of the public health, if the great law of self-preservation, which depends for its enforcement upon the will of the individual, is sufficient to remain a dead letter.

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The following extract from the State Journal of the 21st will be found interesting to our readers:

MONS. VILLENT IN BASTROP.—We learn by letter from Bastrop that terrorism still has the sway in the lower end of the county, where the late outrages of burning school houses, and whipping teachers were committed.

On last Saturday night fifteen men armed and disguised, assembled in the little village of Serbin. They spent the night terrifying families in the neighborhood, and, robbing women and children from their homes. The full extent of their outrages is not known. The Governor has been called out for protection which will doubtless be promptly given, but we suggest to those citizens whose households are thus attacked and terrified that if they would resort to the simple means of defending their thresholds with their shotgun, these outrages would quickly cease. Such men are base cowards, and if they understood that house-breaking would be met with cold lead, they would take up some more paying occupation.

In consequence of the incursions of hostile savages within the line of our settlements, Governor Davis has exempted from the operation of the law regulating the right to carry deadly weapons, the county of Bexar west of San Antonio city limits, the county of Comal one mile west of New Braunfels, the county of Hays west of San Marcos, and the county of Coryell west of the Leon river. The Sheriff of each of the above counties is ordered to give publicity to the Proclamation.

On Thursday of this week Governor Davis returned from his trip to Corpus Christi much benefited in health by his brief vacation. He was received and welcomed with a salute of twenty-four guns. The Secretary of State returned from San Antonio yesterday. —State Journal.

ATTENTION.

Call for a Republican Congressional Convention in the Fourth District.

The Republican Executive Committee of the Fourth Congressional District hereby makes a call for a Congressional Convention to be held at the city of New Braunfels on the 14th day, being the second Monday of August next.

Atascosa—One delegate with alternate.

Banderas—One delegate with alternate.

Bastrop—Four delegates with alternate.

Bell—Two delegates with alternates.

Brown, Comanche and Hamilton—One delegate with alternate.

Bexar—Four delegates with alternates.

Blanco and Hays—Two delegates with alternates.

Brazos—One delegate with alternate.

Brazoria—Three delegates with alternates.

Cameron—Two delegates with alternates.

DeWitt—Two delegates with alternates.

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CANDIDATES.

We are authorized to announce that Hon. EDWARD DEGENER, as a candidate for re-election to Congress from the 4th District of Texas, subject to the nomination of the Republican Nominating Convention of this District.

Caution!

We hereby warn everybody not to pay any money due us to one R. F. Gosch, who, for a short time acted as our agent, but failing to remit money collected, we couldn't help by renounce any and all connections with him.

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¹³ See advertisement of Dr. Butt's Dispensary, headed "Book for the mills," MARIAH GUIDE—in another column.

INFARS.—Much suffering to these tender little buds of the human family might be alleviated by using Mrs. Whitecomb's Syrup. See advertisement in another column.

ATTENTION is called to an extract from the *State Journal*, in another column, relating to the carrying of weapons.

HON. ED. DROENKER is expected to arrive in our city during the latter part of the present week.

The building of Mrs. Schmitt, on Commerce street, a short distance above the Express office, is rapidly approaching completion, and will be an ornament to that portion of the city.

The official count of the vote on the proposition to donate to the Columbus road \$50,000 on certain conditions, it is as follows:

For the donation, 1123
Against the donation, 13
Uncertain, 4

The case of Otto Fuchs, charged with the murder of Lorenzo Pioch. The killing was done on the Martinez road, about fourteen miles from town. This happened several months ago, the man was not killed on the spot, but lingered 14 months. This case is being tried to-day.

ERASTUS DUNSON, who was charged with the murder of a man by the name of Holland, was tried a few days ago. The killing took place in Kendall county, near Fredericksburg crossing of the Guadalupe. Both parties were shingle makers, and quarreled about the timber they used. Holland was shot while standing in the road, no one saw the shooting, but some persons in the neighborhood were very close to see so little, the dead man was actually left face down in the road, by those witnesses. The prisoner came along shortly after and said something about the deceased not shooting anybody now, and there was a confession in evidence in which the prisoner is reported to have said "that it was his (the prisoner) only chance." The Judges charge was strong, and the evidence was stronger still, but circumstances made by the deceased seemed to have a great weight with the jury, so the prisoner received the benefit of the doubt, and was acquitted.

There is a belief in Texas of being shot, but it is best to be quiet while your "shouting" was the remark of one who knew what he was talking about.

An Eastern proverb says that the dart of silent contempt will pierce the shell of a turtle.

In that case, it would have no difficulty in penetrating the hide of an ox. We prefer, therefore, to indulge in no controversy, as far as we are personally concerned, with the *Herald*. When the *Herald* and its friends cease to find fault with the Express, we will begin to entertain doubts as to our political and moral integrity, and resign at once what our friends neither would call "the editorial tripod." But the undiscerning crew need not expect that we shall keep silent when they malign Republicans, who are simply doing their duty as public servants.

A late number of the sheet referred to indulges in its periodical tirade at our Secretary of State. This is very silly, and we suppose the *Herald* knows what is best

done to the Democratic stomach, but it looks as if they would require a change of diet. Consider that should not a better argument against Mr. Newcomer than is conveyed in the repetition of the word "Lowdown!" Everybody in San Antonio knows that Mr. Newcomer is more of a man, physically, mentally and morally, than the combined editorial trio of the *Herald*. Although he might be that and not in much after all. The editor of this Democratic luminary do seem to be aware that it is almost impossible for any respectable person to pronounce the names of the three wise men without laughter.

In another column we notice another characteristic sign at the State Police. Since the result of the other suit, little more caution is observed in those trying illustrations. This time therefore the *Herald* has no knowledge (nobody ever imagined it had), it is "an old citizen" that has good ground to believe that the State Police are acting in concert with the Indians. As we have already, in a previous number explained why the *Herald* had a spite at the State Police, and the criminal code, it is here more necessary to call attention to the insouciance, that it may be despised.

Still another paragraph in "the sheet," (and a dirty, nasty sheet it is, too) should be noticed, where mention is made of the foundation of a "building on the west side of the plaza, and a singular expression is made use of about "the seeds of sin having been planted deep in times past."

Well we declare you don't say so. We want to know the particulars; how did it happen? It is not fair to awaken the public curiosity thus. We shall read the *Herald* with interest from now on; there is no telling what the fellow won't say next. If this telling tales out of school continues, however, we should not be surprised if some fine day one of the old ladies around the *Herald* office did not seize the local, throw a prominent portion of his body into bold relief across the back of a chair, and administer such a castigation as will cause a perceptible falling off in the local column for a few days.

We owe an apology to our readers for the following ventilation of this unsavory subject, but, to tell the truth, we couldn't help it. Local items are scarce, and the foreman says he just have a column. We will not offend again soon.

Proceedings of the City Council.

Called meeting.

Present, his honor, Mayor Thielepage.

SAN ANTONIO, July 10, 1871.

Councilmen—Moses, Moses, Penitentiary, Green, Bell, Dusser, and Callahan.

The object of the call was explained by the Mayor, which was to purchase a new strip of land on Flores street.

A resolution of the Board of Education requesting the city to purchase said strip of land, and for that object the following resolution was passed:

A resolution providing for the procurement of one varia of land from Fernin Casiano, for public free school purposes.

Whereas, the Board of Education of the city of San Antonio, have, by resolution, made known that they require from Fernin Casiano, one varia of land, front on South Flores street, next north and adjoining the lot of ground now occupied by them in the erection of a public free school house on Flores street, of said city.

Therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the city of San Antonio, that the Mayor of the city be requested, and he is hereby authorized to purchase said varia of land if it can be obtained for a reasonable compensation.

Council then adjourned.

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