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Republican State Convention.

A Delegate Convention of the Republican party of Texas was yesterday called to assemble in the city of Houston, on the second and Tuesday of June, 1872, for the purpose of nominating Presidential Electors and for the transaction of other business.

The basis of organization is the same as for members of the Legislature under the present arrangement.

Delegates from the various border counties will be present.

G. C. TRACY,

Civ. Rep. of Texas.

Executive Committee.

J. F. NEWCOMB, Secretary.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,

OFFICE OF THE REPRESENTATIVE U. S., WASHINGTON, Dec. 15th, 1871.

To the Publisher of the Express,

San Antonio, Texas.

SUM.—The Express has been selected for publishing the acts and public documents passed during the second session of the Forty-second Congress, and made public by the United States may be selected and forwarded to you to be published without delay.

I am, sir, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Clark of House of Representatives U. S.

Candidate for Justice of the Peace.

The undersigned respectfully declines the support of his fellow-citizens for the office of Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 3, Bexar County.

JULIUS LIEK.

Baron Liek and Son's.

The undersigned would like to have Mr. W. J. Locke, our newly appointed Supervisor of Education.

Whig, now that you have so far ascribed to me the name of Whig, we will let you know what you mean by it, and if you are not a Whig, then you are not a Whig.

If W. J. Locke is the most intelligent and best qualified of all the radical parts in the plastics for the action of Negroes at the South, then he is the most intelligent and best qualified of all the radical parts in the knowledge of what we say, that there is not among the Negroes either white or black, that is no ignorant as W. J. Locke, nor is there one that is not for him. He is the most ignorant of all the Negroes morally, than this man W. J. Locke, to tell all the other of the Negroes.

Our friends have not looked well at he would have found an individual of the Democratic party infinitely more ignorant, infinitely less intelligent and infatuated than yourself.

Such a man can be found at the "World" offices at all times when the "World" is not about.

As to Col. Locke, the writer has lately made his acquaintance, and has never subjected him to an examination to see if he is a Whig or not. We have seen his services of education, appointed him to the Negroes, whom we pronounced unfit for anything except bad carriage of certain subjects. We much for them.

We have always been to go to all public offices, whatever political party they may happen to belong to. We always consider it a duty to wait until we have clearly ascertained their inability to perform their duties before condemning them.

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The Negro is decidedly strong in negroism, and has a great influence over the negroes, and it is difficult to get rid of him.

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This great question has been discussed as much, that we do not wish to enter upon it.

It interests materially with the almost absolute control of the schools, until now exercised by the clergy, and it is the strongest pillar of power, and he will continue to do so until he is removed.

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## Separation of Church and State.

There can hardly be found a movement, more deserving the applause of all liberal minded men, than the one now being agitated in almost every legislative Assembly in Europe, making towards complete "disengagement" of the department of the church from civil law, and proved so beneficial, so evidently practical, that of grant complete liberty of conscience to all citizens, and throwing upon the various denominations the burden of supporting their own religious organizations.

The last instance of the kind we notice in the German "Reichstag," where the author appears to have been most thoroughly disengaged, and where there is even as the differentiation between ecclesiastical administration and civil government, as the addition of the former taken by the framers of the American constitution, and by which every one is left free to follow the dictates of his conscience, unhampered by state or clerical authority.

In most of the European nations, there yet exists a "State" or "Established" Church, whose priests are placed under the super vision of a Cabinet Minister, a "Ministry of Religion." The whole organization is supported and defrayed out of the State treasury. As some states it is considered unlawful for a person, not to belong to one or the other of the "authorized" religions, communities, and his religious denomination is even made upon his passport. Such a state of affairs is certainly not in union with the liberal spirit of the century.

Such a system has practical defects; it leaves injurious upperclass, who are taxed to support a State Church, in whose doctrine they do not believe. It concentrates, particularly in less enlightened communities, an undue power in the ministers of the established church, who are apt to corruptly use their influence upon the minds of their flock to the furtherance of political interests.

Minister Latz, the Bavarian plenipotentiary, bitterly complains of the action of the clergy in his own State. He proposes at least, the passage of a law, subjecting energymen to the State court for the infringement of State laws. There loosened injunction of the old system, which has done much harm. It is certain that instances have occurred, in which priests, guilty of the most heinous crimes, have been acquitted and shielded by corrupt ecclesiastical courts, and the enraged law cannot reach them.

But, say the clerical Dugdale, pious Ministers of the Gospel in opposition to the State laws, and by being placed upon a footing of equality with the laity, they will lose much of the respect of the common people, and consequently much of their influence and power to do good. We cannot sustain that objection.

In our own free country ministers of the gospel have been subject to the civil authority for a hundred years, and we venture to state as an indisputable fact, that no one energymen enjoy the respect and confidence of the majority of the people, even of those who do not agree with them in a religious point of view, in a higher degree than in our own.

We trust, however, that the opposite to the proposal has two other motives, more important and one of them at least, more plausible than intelligent; that is, that really the State, in making such a proposal, does not offer to the clergy, placed by its adoption in opposition to the civil law, a fair equivalent.

Why not, at the same time restore to them ecclesiastical liberty?

This is practically the American option; here the government has nothing to do with the appointment of clergymen, with the adoption or rejection of a clerical regulation or tenet of faith. It has no "Department of Public Worship," regulating all three affairs.

It favors not one denomination to the prejudice of another, because it interferes with none.

As the clerical party are willing to accept that, why not grant it? it would be fair to all.

But the second reason, why the clerical men desire to do away with us, has clearly exposed their inability to perform their duties before condemning them.

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## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

### Deferred Dispatches.

New York, Dec. 20.—Henry Barnard is elected Director of the Erie Railroad, vice T. C. Hall, resigns.

The T. C. Hall committee met last night to reorganize. Much sympathy is expressed for T. C. Hall.

W. M. Tweed, testified before the Senate Committee on Finance, that he had been examined as to his conduct in the "Black Friday" affair, and that he had given his evidence regarding Black Friday, and that he had given his evidence to the Senate Committee on Finance.

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