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REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

CHARGE OF TIME ORDERED.

A Committee of the Republicans of Texas is hereby called to assemble in the city of Houston on the second day of April, 1872, for the purpose of nominating Presidential Electors selecting Delegates to the Philadelphia National Convention, for a discussion of the present condition of the country, and the action of other bodies in their present position.

Those friendly to the administration presented their names to Dr. STACY,

Chairman of the State Convention.

J. P. NEWCOMB, Secretary.

THE Herald of yesterday has the following:

According to the documents from the War Office, the deed from the Mayor to the city of Houston which "prohibited the sale of slaves" was signed in blank, and it is understood that it should be acknowledged and recorded forthwith. For the reasons above given the deed was not recorded, but held in his possession until the return of Mr. Brackenridge. It is thus seen that the purchase was not fully accomplished nearly two months ago, and was still in the hands which "promised citizens" have given themselves over this purchase, could in no event be of any avail.

There is another important fact in connection with this purchase, which seems not to be generally known. When the proposition of sale was made to the council by Maj. Brackenridge, as agent for his brother and mother, he distinctly stated to them that there could be no delay in its accomplishment, or result, such as would be necessary if it should be submitted to the vote of the people. The proposition would have been withdrawn if such delay had been demanded.

The council exercised their best judgment in accepting the proposition, instead of losing an opportunity which, in all probability, would never have been presented again, and we believe it acted wisely, and that everybody will in the end approve and applaud the purchase.

The fact is, at that time a large majority of the citizens expressed their selves in favor of the purpose, and such expression influenced the action of the council. At least one of the associate editors of the Herald approved of it. The opposition which has sprung up since, is based simply upon the fact that the question was not submitted to the people, which—as we have shown—is an impossibility.

The people would vote for the purpose to-day; and the chief design in the present agitation is to discredit the present Mayor and the Council as then constituted, and to prevent the appointment of men to those offices less devoted to the interests of the city than to their own.

THE EDITOR.

The following is an extract from "The Herald," correspondence to the editor and signing the deed, was delayed simply in deference to the minority of the city council, who opposed a purchase without submitting it to a vote of the citizens, and so wait the return of Mr. G. W. Brackenridge, thinking that perhaps the purchase might be cancelled. But it is asserted, and has been the opinion of the writer all along, as heretofore expressed in this paper, that when once a claim of property by the city has been absolutely proven by a completed bargain and sale, a part of the consideration being the dedication of the same to the public use for the citizens of San Antonio, no power exists in the present, or can exist in any future city council, to cancel such purchase, or make any disposition of the property contrary to the provisions of the deed of purchase. Any citizen could by appealing to the Courts compel the city, as well as Mr. Brackenridge, to abide by the contract as shown by the records of the city council, and by the deed itself. By nothing short of an act of the legislature of the State of Texas, can the present, or any future city council, be authorized to cancel the purchase, or dispose of the property in any way.

Gov. Davis in recommending, in his annual message, to be submitted by a telegram to the Mayor, a non-consummation of the contract, has evidently had both fully informed.

He opposes the contract to be in effect, when in fact it is complete.

The last question involved his decision, never having brought to his notice—the red seal of the city.

We repeat some of the facts with exactness. Before Mr. Brackenridge left for the North, he made application in writing to the city council to purchase some of the city property adjoining and below his own, on this side of the river. The city council was opposed to the sale of any of the city property, and was accordingly unable to Mr. Brackenridge, that in the opinion of the council the whole of his property ought to belong to the city, should never have been sold by it, and that he was public spirited citizen ought to receive it to the city upon the most reasonable terms possible. Major Mr. B. had fully detailed every particular, which he did reluctantly, he was compelled to go north; but left with his business sold in blank signed by himself, for himself and his mother, who who the owner of a portion of the property, and her power of attorney died. While absent he authorized his brother to make application to the city council. This particular, and no excepted by a full board of the council as thus constituted, not a single member of the council opposing the purchase, two only insisting, and

thereupon casting their votes against the purchase, stating as a reason that it would be better to submit the matter to a vote of the citizens of the city.

The proposition having been accepted, the deed, signed in blank, was handed to the writer to his self, and it is understood that it should be acknowledged and recorded forthwith. For the reasons above given the deed was not recorded, but held in his possession until the return of Mr. Brackenridge. It is thus seen that the purchase was not fully accomplished nearly two months ago, and was still in the hands which "promised citizens" have given themselves over this purchase, could in no event be of any avail.

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Is not the following "good sound health" coming from a so-called "Health?"

Thus the liberal Friends, we find, "Old women" in this older City," these words: "For my part, I can't be but charge him, using his language like so many boats of barrels, and turning them off or selling them when they grow old, to the account of a mean and ungenerous spirit, which thinks that the sole issue between man and man is justice. She is an expert worker of embroidery, and executes the finest work without the aid of glasses. Every day, the weather permitting, she may be seen out in the fields or orchards near her residence busy at work with her needles.

People who think Texas an unhealthy, are requested to read the following extract from the U.S. Census Taker's report: "The general health of Texas is surpassingly noble on the face of the globe. While the average death is 12 per cent, the well-natured man, as far as his living is concerned, reaches a larger sphere than justice. The obligations of law and equity reach only to mankind, but kindness and beneficence should be extended to creatures of every species; and these still live free from the breast of the well-natured man, as far as his living is concerned."

A good man will take good care of the poor, old, dogs, not only while they are young, but when old and past service. Thus the people of Athens, when they had finished the Temple called Hephaeston, set at liberty the beasts of burden that had been chiefly employed in the work, sending them to pasture on the mountain. Corin Torbet has all the facts at Washington.

A Wilmington hen has been laying an egg with the inscription in raised letters, "War in 1776—England and America." What here commence prophesying what may we not expect?

Two young ladies in New York, who have been noted for their beauty and style, have recently become quite paralyzed by the use, the physicians affirm, of paints and cosmetics of different kinds.

THEATRE!

FIREMEN'S HALL.

THIS WEEK ONLY!!

DRAMATIC TROUPE

FROM THE GALVESTON OPERA HOUSE.

Thursday Evening, March 14.

Will be presented Sterling Gaynor's sparkling Comedy, in three acts, entitled

EVERYBODY'S FRIEND!

Major Wellington...Mr. Vining Bowes.

Mrs. Standish...Miss Jessie Clifford.

To conclude with the popular operatic

la belle in one act, entitled

JENNY LIND.

or THE SWEDISH NIGHTINGALE.

Jenny Leopoldini with song and dance.

Miss Jessie Clifford.

Born Switzer...with song Mr. Vining

Bowes.

Admission 25¢—children 10¢—crown 25¢.

Dress open at 7½. Curtain rises at 8 o'clock.

13-72-72W.

LOST.

A black and white SETTER DOG. A

£100 reward will be paid to the person who delivers him to me.

JACOB WAGNER.

WANTED.—A Wheatsheaf, to take

the charge of a blacksmith's shop,

formerly Crawford's, now the Iron Works, 13-72-72W.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

HAVING GOOD REASONS, set forth by worthy motives, we originated the encents report that "any charge for professional services with customary rates" is, in itself, a self-defence fuel compelled to demand payment of a premium, and that it is, as it were, a military air or state of men in position.

These reasons in themselves are sufficient to sustain the charge.

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A readable discrepancy of opinion

among the members of the medical

profession, and the public at large,

is not to be wondered at.

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