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HEADQUARTERS 2d MILITARY District,
Charleston, S. C., June 30, 1863.
General Orders No. 120.]

In conformity with the law of the United States, passed June 25, 1863, entitled "An Act to admit the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama and Florida to representation in Congress," all officers of the States of North Carolina and South Carolina, duly elected and qualified under the Constitution thereof, and not prohibited from holding office in said States by the third section of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States known as Article Fourteenth, will, upon the ratification of the said amendment by the Legislature, be inaugurated without delay; taking the oath of office prescribed by the Constitutions of the States in which they have been elected, and otherwise qualifying in conformity with the laws of said States.

It shall be the duty of each of the Boards of County Commissioners in South Carolina, immediately after their organization, to designate the time for the officers elected under the new constitution to enter upon their duties, and requires them to take the oath prescribed by the law of July 2, 1862, being superseded by the law above cited, is hereby revoked.

The third section of the proposed amendment to the constitution, known as Article Fourteenth, is republished for the information and government of those whom it may concern:

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"SECTION 3. No person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or Elector of President and Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any State, who, having previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State Legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the Constitution of the United States shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each house, remove such disability."

Should the disability of any of the officers elect, not have been removed, or if they should from any other cause be unable to qualify, the fact will be immediately reported to the Governor of the State, and the present incumbents, if they are charged with any active administrative duties, or with the care of public records, or with the custody of public money or property, will, in conformity with the law, hold over until their successors be duly qualified.

To facilitate the organization of the new State governments, the following appointments are made:

To the Governor of South Carolina, Robert K. Scott, Governor elect, vice James L. Orr, removed.

To be Lieutenant Governor, Lemuel Boozer, Lieutenant Governor elect, to fill a vacancy.

To take effect July 6, 1863, on the meeting of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina.

The County Courts of North Carolina and the District Courts of South Carolina having been abolished, the records of all such courts will be transferred to the custody of the Clerks of the Courts of the respective counties, and all unexecuted processes or other unfinished business of the said courts will be retained, in the former State to the Superior Court, and in the latter to the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions; at the first ensuing session held in such county; and in like manner the records, papers and public property in the custody of the Clerks of said County and District Courts, as well as in the hands of Clerks and Masters in Equity in North Carolina, shall be turned over to the incoming Clerks of said Superior Courts and Courts of Common Pleas.

For the purpose of organization, the County Commissioners elect of each county in the State of North Carolina shall, on the day provided by the Constitution for them to enter upon their duties, or soon thereafter as practicable, assemble together at the courthouse in each county, and elect one of their number chairman, who shall thereupon request the chairman of the retiring County Court to administer the oath of office to the said Commissioners; and the said chairman of the retiring County Court is hereby empowered and required immediately to administer to the said Commissioners severally, the oath prescribed by said constitution; which oath having been by them then and there taken and subscribed, said Board of County Commissioners shall be deemed duly qualified and inducted into office.

The County Commissioners elect in South Carolina will organize in like manner, the retiring Ordinary in each county administering the oath.

Until the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina shall expressly prescribe by

law the duties of the Sheriffs, Coroners and Clerks of Courts chosen or authorized to be chosen at the election held in said State on the 2d and 3d of June, 1863, the officers so elected shall, after ratification, perform the duties prescribed by said offices by law under the existing provisional government of the State.

Until otherwise provided by law, the Judges of Probate elected in South Carolina shall perform the duties heretofore performed by Ordinaries; and in respect to business appertaining to minors, and the allotment of dower, and in cases of idiocy and lunacy, and persons non compos mentis, shall conduct their proceedings as far as possible in conformity with the rules and regulations governing the practice in like cases in the courts of the provisional government now authorized by law to take jurisdiction of such business; and records and public property in the hands of Ordinaries will be transferred to the Probate Judges.

In like manner, until otherwise provided by law, the powers and duties of County Commissioners in South Carolina, shall include the powers and duties heretofore pertaining to Commissioners of Roads, Bridges, Ferries and Cuts, Commissioners of Public Buildings, and Commissioners of the Land.

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To request from each individual land holder a brief statement of what he is willing to do to encourage the coming of immigrants, either as laborers or tenants.

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Book Notices, &c.

THE LAND WE LOVE for July contains fifteen articles from the best writers of the South. Comparative Generosity is the first of two articles on Grant's military career. The causes of "Decay of Religion at the South" are treated in a masterly manner. "Cleopatra's Octopus" is a sprightly classical article over the well known name de plume of S. L. C. Dr. Ramsey completes his interesting history of the revolt of the State of Franklin. Prof. Blake furnishes one of his best agricultural articles on "Lime as a Fertilizer." Mrs. Porter gives a pleasant story. The poetry is from Mrs. Preston, of Virginia. Mrs. Davies, of Kentucky, Mrs. Clarke, of North Carolina, and the lamented Henry Timrod, the last piece ever written by him.

BURKE'S WEEKLY.—The June number of this favorite juvenile publication is received. It completes the first volume, and is accompanied by a handsome title page and index. A new volume, enlarged and greatly improved, will commence with the number for July 1, and the present is a good time to subscribe. Every boy and girl in the South ought to take this excellent paper, and we believe that thousands will do so if they can see it. Send for a specimen. Terms \$2.00 a year. J. W. Burke & Co., Publishers, Macon, Ga.

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SATURDAY, JULY 4, 1868.

While we reserve to ourselves the right of defining our own political position by means of our editorial columns, we will be pleased to publish contributions from our fellow-citizens upon the grave questions which now agitate the public mind, whether their opinions coincide with ours or not. A district newspaper, we consider, should be an index of the various shades of popular sentiment in the section of country in which it circulates. Our columns are open therefore, to any communications properly written, accompanied by a responsible name, not personal to their character, nor absolutely injurious in their tendency.

How-Citizens!!!

This is the GLORIOUS FOURTH, the Birthday of Independence, the "National Holiday."

The darkeys of the Union League stripe will monopolize its celebration, by turning out in worse in their Sunday rigs, and the extreme Rads in sky-blue, red and white badges; and Tom's son, and Dick's son, and Harry's son, will mount the rostrum, and act the parts of Merry-andrews to their admiring disciples.

We the white men of the South, who believe in something more tangible than the empty grandiloquence of demagogues, and the spouting of party stumpers,—we, who, despite the misfortunes of war, have in our hearts some memories of the lessons of civil liberty handed down to us from our forefathers,—we deem it more appropriate to celebrate the day with private reflections upon the blessings of liberty; and in reviewing the virtues of our ancestors, will form anew the high resolve, that the proud inheritance of patriotism, which they left us, shall not be tarnished in our keeping, by any base dalliance with Tyranny, any meanly acquiescence in oppression, or any foul lust after the pay of a hireling in the ranks of our enemies.

We expect yet to see the time, when we can publicly and heartily celebrate a "National Holiday."

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