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**THE DAILY ISSUE AT AUSTIN.**

These seem to be no prospect of any agreement or compromise between the veto and anti-slavery parties in the legislature, each having received, according to the reported session action of the 18th, to take its own course on the status of the two houses. The supporters of the governor, who from being the minority at the regular session have become the majority, are bent upon carrying out their own program as marked out for them by him, while the minority are equally firm in refusing to yield to their demands. The real and only issue at stake is the question of the appropriation of one-fourth of the revenue for the maintenance of the public free schools. The vote by the governor of the interest item of the appropriation bill was inexplicable by anything contained in the veto message of the time, and has remained unexplained since. The reasons attempted were no reason. They were but little better than pretense. A make-weight was needed, and the vote of this item was thrown into the scale to carry over the vote of the vetoed appropriation. As to the other subjects of legislation recommended by the governor in his proclamation, and added to it in subsequent messages until he has fulfilled work for six months' session, there is not a tare in legislation nor any mark of intelligence in the state who does not see and feel the absurdity of thus piling up a mass of business-relevant and irrelevant—utterly incapable of accomplishment during the special session. Did Governor Roberts really expect action to be taken on all these matters? If so, he has spent too much of his life constraining laws to be able at this late day to learn what is necessary to pass them. If he did not expect the legislature to accomplish the intended task of making laws at the rate of two or more per day, what was his object? Did he think that behind such a cloud of new subjects the people would not use the real law, which is the attack on the public schools? If so, both the governor and his supporters will find that they have made a grave mistake. Neither are the professions of friendship for the public free schools, which are made by so many of his supporters, will hide the fact that the war begun by the veto is a war upon the schools. It is wonderful, by the way, how many friends the public free schools have among the veto men. Almost every man professes his opposition to the appropriation of one-fourth of the revenue with the declaration that he is a friend of free schools. The places "I am a friend of free schools" with which most of these gentlemen open their speeches have become stereotyped, and the name of the schools might well be made to sustain—"whatever man from me." But notwithstanding all these professions, it may well for those members who have determined to follow the lead of Gov. Roberts on this question to reflect that the people of Texas will hold them fastidious for their actions and will not be likely to give them much credit for works undertaken with those actions, however conscientious and high-minded. Texas has had an established policy on the subject of public schools since the days of the Republic, and this policy, which has been incorporated in every constitution, was perpetuated by the present organic law of the state. To erode this system by an inadequate provision is to destroy its efficiency and kill it indirectly. There is no escape from the issue. Those who are not for the schools in this country are against them. Education goes hand in hand with liberty and the advancement of society; or, more prosaically, it is most peace both. This truth is well expressed by the constitution, which, in the first section of article VII, declares, that "a general diffusion of knowledge being essential in the preservation of the liberties and rights of the people, it shall be the duty of the legislature of the state to establish and make suitable provisions for the support and maintenance of an efficient system of public free schools." This is the command of the people of Texas, speaking in their sovereign capacity to the legislature.

**DEATH OF PRINCE LOUIS NAPOLÉON.**

The dispensation which appears elsewhere conveys the intelligence of the death of Prince Louis Napoleon in England. The most uniform of the mediations who have viewed this announcement probably has been one of sympathy for the beloved mother who has lost her object in which her affections and hopes were centered. Some names in the news, whether in the palaces or the hives, in which the best wings from Creole have brought to the up-roots of France the trumpet her former undying hope and her mother's last remembrance only that her beloved son is no more—she by means in distant Africa and the nations of Asia, and here degrees in the old and new worlds who have watched events will also forget for the moment how political possibilities have been affected by the intelligence in an empire of kindly sympathy for that suffering and desolate mother.

Prince Louis Napoleon was the son of Charles Louis Napoleon, or Napoleon III., and Eugenie, wife, before her marriage, was Eugenie de Toto. The prince was born March 16, 1856, and was known as the prince imperial of France. Some months ago he volunteered to serve under Lord Chelmsford in Africa in the Zulu campaign. In taking leave of England he wrote a general letter, in which he expressed a desire to share his experiences of the hospitality and kindness with which he had been received and treated by the English nation, and had asked his godmother with his kiss. What he lived, in his thoughts of the future, he may have returned to France to die his father. But death came all, and the party which had looked to the last princess as the young flower of their hopes of French power must now turn their eyes elsewhere, or give up the shadow of the dynasty of the Bourbons.

What will the government do next? The people are surprised. Don't know, unless he comes. John Peck is there in the Indian office, having the money collected the other day, and this order delivered up to the Indians a few dollars to be distributed to represent the needs of the Indians having been interrupted in their thriving, number one week.

The major faults which the government evidently made in this deal are not good enough, for the next world, and has disgruntled the Indians, perhaps, or compelled to change, some difficult roads in the neighborhood of Houston.

**A DISGRACE TO THE STATE.**

The following telegram to the Galveston News is a frank diagnosis to the state—a disease because such a combination of circumstances should exist as to render it possible: Austin, June 19.—The attorney general this morning was demonstrating his qualifications to the bar. He had been told he had heard that the two Houston lawyers who had presented his case to the court had been red-hot all day long, and he had been compelled to admit it. Shortly afterward, he received a report that Mr. Kirby's case was decided by the court's unanimous vote. Colonel Shepard telegraphed from Franklin to the appellate court clerk to send down the mandate, but Attorney General McCormick to-night has notified the practitioner he will apply a writ of habeas corpus to the record. The attorney general is to be tried over again, the indictment being found defective, as it contains "Aggravated peace and dignity of statute." The latter word alone is to stand. Counsel have agreed to drop the former case, and the attorney general has agreed to drop the latter. The two cases are to-night pending over a proportionate fee to the attorney general.

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