

Address of the Republican Congressional Committee.

To the Republicans of the United States: The executive and legislative departments of the national government and two-thirds of the State governments have been committed to your keeping. Such power carries with it grave responsibilities.

In the present juncture it behooves the Republican party not to forget its origin, nor its history. Amid the difficulties that beset it, and the responsibilities and labor which the needs of the country in the new and untried condition of affairs imposes, it should remember that it was born of the nation's necessities, and thus far it has grandly met the exigencies for which it was formed.

Recurring to their origin, Republicans will remember when the land was the theatre of a stern and irrepressible conflict between the demons of slavery and caste and the spirit of liberty and equality, when the slave power held great interests and powerful organizations in its grasp, and ruled the nation with imperial hand.

Entering upon its second era, appalling responsibilities at once arose. The slavemasters, in the pride and arrogance of power, instantly plunged the nation into the fire and blood of civil war.

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Differences of opinion on matters so recalcitrant and complex, in an organization embracing so many men of large intelligence, trained to habits of independent thought, expression, and modes of action, are inevitable.

Unaided it has fought the battles of reform with constancy and courage. Nor in the work still before it can it hope for aid from those who still cling to the traditions of the past, pride themselves on their conservatism, and, who, during the conflicts of the past twenty years have resisted all reform, and mourned over every effete and hateful abuse as it fell.

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Having achieved this grand work, having passed through these three eras of its history, the Republican party, entering on its fourth

penditures, its debts, and its taxation, are so fearfully large. Not faultless, but high, noble and glorious, is the record of the Republican party. History will note it, and the world will gratefully remember it.

Chairman of the Congressional Republican Committee. JAMES H. PLATT, Secretary.

RAILROAD LINES.

READING RAILROAD—GREAT TRUNK LINE R. From Philadelphia to the interior of Pennsylvania, the Schuylkill, Susquehanna, Cumberland, York, Lancaster, Valley, the North, North-west, and the Canada.

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1870.—FOR NEW YORK.—THE CAMDEN RAILROAD COMPANY'S LINE FROM PHILADELPHIA TO NEW YORK AND WAY PLACES.

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RAILROAD LINES. PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL RAILROAD. AFTER 8 P. M. SUNDAY, JULY 18, 1870.

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AUCTION SALES. THOMAS & SON, NOB. 129 AND 131 S. 4TH STREET.

Thomas & Son, Auctioneers. No. 110 Chestnut Street.

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