

people have always been respected and obeyed by me. [Applause.] Mr. Chairman, I have said more: than I had intended to say. For the

nowheres when the "poor, destitute Constitution and laws and interests of ing the despaten to one associated with dark cloud introgenestication, and I saw that price, and shall ever recur, with rectained by your country," as illustrated by your me in the office, for my own feelings all would be safe in the end. Ings of profound gratification, to the ings of profound gratification, to the interests are not one associated with dark cloud introgenestication and have and interests of ings of profound gratification, to the ings of profound gratification, to the instead of the interest of the in you they "recognize a chieft we may justly conclude that we are in the language of Thomas Jeffrerson, ment of a convertion emanating sponanger that at first surrounded us. While our brave men have perform. Seen a Congress that seemed to forget manifestations of rogard and respect United States-that there was a limit | I repeat that I shall always continue to be guided by a conscientions con-We have seen a Congress in a minority viction of duty, and that always gives

remarks, three enthusiastic cheers audience.

How our Government Obtained Rebel Information.

The country will remember that du-ring the last winter of the rebellion, our Government obtained assurance. of the hopelessness of the Confederate cause by coming into possession of General Lee's testimony before a committee of the rebel Congress, whose sessions were strictly private, and whose report was made in secrecy to the Congress during an executive session. How the evidence 'fell into Mr. Luncoln's hands is told by a correspon-dent of the New York Times. Hg.

5ay8 "In the room where the committee met was a closet, and from that closet, immediately after their adjournment, came the priceless information. Out country carts of this section proceeding with the half of a newly killed beet toward the rebel lines in General But-

ler's front. No communication that the most lynx-eyed could perceive passed between the man and the cart, but the former gradually changed his direction and was soon walking back a planter just beyond the rebel lines

ings will furnish an adequate idea of Mr. President, which we are to place When the despatch informed me that my faith is abiding in the great kind allusions to myself contained in what class of people they thought the in your hands, you will find that that, in that vast body of men, distin- mass of the people. In the darkest your address, and in the resolutions

Congress has done many things that it will wish it had left undone, and it has left undone many things which it will wish it had done. They can stand the taxes because they have increased a month after month the fundamental ourselves free from the difficulties and principles of the Government. [Cries] and all, committee and strangers, please of the block of th danger that at first surrounded us.

> opinion of constitutional obligations ed their duties-both officers and men, that there was a Constitution of the you have exhibited on this occasion. and rights, and of the duty of looking (turning to General Grant, who stood solely to the true interests, safety and at his right)—while they have won to the sphere and scope of legislation. honor of the nation, such a class is in- laurelsimperishable there are still greatboror of the nation, such a class is in-capable of resorting to any bait for and more important duties to per-popularity at the expense of the public good. In the measures which you co-operation in the field, we now need in despotism or monarchy itself. [En-At the conclusion of the President's have adopted for the restoration of the their support in our efforts to perpetu- thusiastic applause.] This is truth, Union, the convention saw only a con-tinuance of the policy which for the same purpose was inaugurated by your ment is concerned, the effort has been the effort has been triviance of the policy which for the same purpose was inaugurated by your ment is concerned, the effort has been triviance of the publican feeling of the president and General Grant then remade to restore the Union, to heal the country, we have been denounced in tired arm in arm, and were immediimmediate predecessor, in his re-elecbreach, to pour oil into the wounds the severest terms. Slander upon ately followed by the committee and which were consequent upon the slander, vituperation upon vituperation

delegates from each State, appointed and been unly indicated, and has been the issues of the contest. by the National Union Convention to made one of the issues of the contest. wait upon the President with an office Those of his political friends who are wise physician would, a plaster bealing gontlemen, has been your and my sin? with convert of the proceedings of the now assailing you for sternly pursuing in character and coextensive with the What has been the cause of our offendyet think, that we had partially suc-by the Constitution of our fathers? ceeded. But as the work progressed, [Approaching Senator Johnson], I conas reconciliation seemed to be taking sider the proceedings of this conven-place, and the country becoming uniplace, and the country becoming uni-Lincoln's policy, and because he would ted into the east room by Marshal zed world with grief and horror-you ted, we found a disturbing and mar- of any convention that ever assembled in the United States. [Great applause.] In alluding to that element, I shall When I look with my mind's eye upon

would to reconcile the Southern people and thus preserve the Union. Congress passed a bill for the Gov-ernment to feed and keep the *negroes* of the South, more than they would do the time and the occasion justify. We ple, and contrast it with the collection which at one time the insurrection ex-isted, as far as they could accomplish the Government every effort, as it the country, I regard it as more imwere, to prevent the restoration of portant than any convention that has Mr. President: We are before you as a committee of the National Union Convention, which met in Philadelphia on Tuesday, the 14th instant, charged with the duty of presenting you with with the duty of presenting you with with the duty of presenting you with state of things is at war with the very convention, which met in Philadelphia with the duty of presenting you with state of things is at war with the very convention. That such a with the duty of presenting you with convention for the very with the duty of presenting you with convention the very convention and a second party walked lei-state of the state of the states, but in fact a common the very convention, which met in Philadelphia with the duty of presenting you with convention with the very convention with the very convention with the very convention the very convention the very convention the very convention with the very convention genus of our Government; inconsis. Congress of only part of the States. day pronounce it a second Declaration tent with every idea of political free- We have seen this Congress assume of Independence. [Cries of "Glorious," The House passed a bill conferring will permit us to congratulate you dom, and most pernous to the peace and pretond to be in the object for which the con-that on the object for which the con-he right of suffrage on negroes in the vention was called, in the enthusiand man can fail to believe. We have the the vention was called, in the enthusiand man can fail to believe. will permit us to congratulate you dom, and most perilous to the peace and pretend to be for the Union, when and most enthusiastic and prolonged

tion of the States inevitable. nothing more nor less than a reaffirma-Instead of promoting reconciliation tion of the Constitution of the United and harmony, its legislation has par-States. [Cries of "God," and applauso.] here, if possible, with even greater and harmony, its legislation has par-firmness to the course which you are pursuing by satisfying you that they are with you, and that the wish which the course and policy of one depart-by the course and policy of one depart poli ment of your Government. The hum- address are a second proclamation of lestation, and reached the pickets, ble individual who is now addressing emancipation to the people of the where it halted as a matter of course. you stands the representative of an- United States [renewed applause]; for The beef was destined for the house of the through passed a bin that within that you and the country will find earliest moment be allowed, and a con-the territories of the United States [renewed applause]; for territories of the United States [renewed applause]; for territories of the United States [renewed applause]; for territories of territori

ings will furnish an adequate factor in your hands, you will find that in that vast body of men, distin-what class of people they thought the in your hands, you will find that in that vast body of men, distin-most, and upon whom they conferred the convention performed the grateful guished for intellect and wisdom, every every every every struggle, when the clouds seemed to duty imposed upon them by their every every was suffused with tears on behold-the most favors. Union soldiers are nowheres when the "poor, destitute to constitution and laws and interests of now laws and interests of your country," as illustrated by your me in the office, for my own feelings all would be safe in the end.

tion necessarily involved, being upon

Union by keeping ten of the States in

it, in the condition of subjugated prov-

We hope, sir, that the proceeding of

here, if possible, with even greater

vention has but spoken the intelligent their pay. They can see the country and patriotic sentiment of the country. ruined because they will blame it on Ever maccessible to the low influences President Johnson. The Lord pre- which often control the mere partisan, serve us from having such another and governing alone by an honest

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Speech of Hon. Reverdy Johnson.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18, 1866.

time for the interview.

vanced and said:

which declared the negroes citizens of the United States, and otherwise interfered with the rights of a State. Prosident Johnson vetoed the bill, but Con-gress made it a law. Before placing it in your hands, you

have you a mint china or a tame norset to be the shear fean Mustang Liniment. For cuts, sprains, burns swellings and caked breasts, the Mexican Minstang Liniment is a certain cure. For theumatism, neuralgia, stiff joints slings and bites, there is nothing like the Mexican Mustang Liniment. For spawined horses, the poil evil, ringbone and sweeny, the Mexican Mustang Liniment never fails. For windgalls, scratches, big-head and splint, the Mexican Mustang Liniment is worth its weight in gold. Cuts, bruises, granths and swellings. Are so common and certain to occur in every family, that a bottle of this Liniment is the best luvestment that cau be made. It is more certain than the doctor, lit swerget time In should never be dispensed with. the right of suffrage on negroes in the sching for the doctor-it is cheaper than the doctor, and whold never be dispensed with. "In lifting the kettle from the fre, it tipped over and scaled my hands terribity. \* \* \* The Justang Lini-ment extracted the pain, caused the sore to bed republy, and left very little scar. CHAS. FONTERI, 420 Broad street, Philnda. Mr. S. Litch, of Hyde bark, Vi., writes ''Ni hones was District of Columbia. The same bill was considered in the Senate, but no vote was taken. President Johnson addressed a colored delegation to which addressed a colored delegation to which ciples it has declared were adopted, pursuing by satisfying you that they he said that the people should decide and more especially in the patriotic are with you, and that the wish which and constitutional character of the lies nearest to their heart is that a perthat question.

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failed to vote thereon.

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Congress met when the policy of President Lincoln was being successfully carried out by President Johnson, and the people of the South were becoming reconciled to their condition, and were acceding to everything that was fair and just. S. T.---1860---X. Persons of sedentary habits troubled with weakness, Institude, palpitation of the heart, luck of appelle, dis-tress after eating, torpid faver, constipution, K., decarvo to suffer; if they will not try the celebrated PLANTATION BITTFit(k, which are now recommended by the bityhest medical suchorities, and are warranted to produce an in-medical suchorities, and are supersected all other tonles where the gents stimulant is required. They create a leadity appelle. They are an antificate to change of water and dist. They are an antificate to change of water and dist. They are a set and constitution. They care by excompliant and Nerrous Headner. They use by excompliant and Nerrous Headner. They use by excampliant and Nerrous Headner. They use by excampliant and Nerrous Headner. They make the weak strong, the languid brilliant and an exchanced Insulated Science and Insulated over the cor-station count exclusion. The dimensions and deleterious atom of the set-with plantation science. And our signature on a fine steely which plantation and leaterion to this is not reflich with spin same dieleterion atom. Any person indicating this botther or spilog any other material therein, whether called Pinnstein Blitters or not, is a criminal under the U.S. Law, and will be so presected by us. The demand for brick efficient on the set for the set less. Change on the presenting of the set of these changes for the set of the set of the line state state of these sets of the set of the set of the line state state of the set of these cherers and or a signature on a fine steely line stat

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Congress didn't like Lincoln's policy because it was "too mild," and they commenced to censure President Johnson for following in his footsteps.

Congress, from the first, wished to punish the South by depriving them of their right to legislate, unless the millions of ignorant negroes should be privileged to vote, although the Con-

stitution declares that "all legislative powers shall be vested in a Congress of the United States." Congress commenced to legislate for

the freedmen; and acknowledged that they had better rights than white men. Congress commenced to dislike President Johnson still more, because not do more for the negroes than he would to reconcile the Southern people

of the South, more than they would do for the destitute soldiers of the North. President Johnson vetoed the bill, and it failed to pass by a two-thirds vote. Congress passed a civil rights bill,

gress made it a law.

The House passed a bill that within principles themselves, we are confident fect restoration of our Union at the

Congress.

to the President.

**Reply of President Andy Johnson.** 

The Committee, consisting of two tion by the people after that policy

and postponed until one o'clock the ions which their support of his re-elec-

About one o'clock the committee, the same ticket with that much lamenheaded by a band of music, reached ted public servant whose foul assassihe continued to carry out President the White House. They were conduc- nation touched the heart of the civili-Gooding, and were so arranged as to would have been false to obvious duty ring element opposing us. form a circle. The delegates to the if you had not endeavored to carry out

> Welles and Browning, and Postmaster General Randall. The Hon. Rover-dy Johnson, of Maryland, then ad-Mr. President: We are before you as

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there exists amongst the people a pub. complished by the measures which you tive franchise to citizens of the United lic sentiment which renders an early States, because of race or color, and and complete restoration of the Union all persons should be equal before the law. as established by the Constitution certain and inevitable. Party faction, The Senate considered the bill, but seeking the continuance of its misrule,

ailed to vote thereon. Congress was now directly opposed principles of political liberty for which sincere support. to President Johnson, because he our fathers successfully contended, and to secure which they adopted the Conwould not co-operate with them in their efforts to give the negro equal political privileges with the white man. try has been placed by such misrule,

He could not recognize their right to that it will not be permitted a much pass laws for the South without the longer duration. We wish, Mr. Presipass laws for the South without the dent, you could have witnessed the spirit of concord and brotherly affec-Congress established a contral direction which animated overy member tory of fifteen members, composed of the convention. Great as your confidence has ever been in the intelprincipally of the leading Radicals in ligence and patriotism of your fellowboth Houses, who were to report the so-called Confederate States were enti-Union, and their present determina-

tled to be represented in either House tion to maintain it, that confidence of Congress. After being in session would have become a positive convic six months the Committee reported in tion could you have seen and heard all that was done and said upon the occasubstance that the said States were not sion. Every heart was ovidently full entitled to representation, although of joy, overy eye beamed with patriot. the Constitution gave them such right, ic animation; despondency gave place and that they were subject to the North. to the assurance that our late dreadful

The Radicals in Congress held a cau civil strife ended, the blissful reign of peace, under the protection not of cus in which they bitterly denounced arms, but of the Constitution and laws, President Johnson, and threatened to would have sway, and be in every part impeach him, if he persisted in thwart- of our land cheerfully acknowledged, ing their efforts. Some went so far and in perfect good faith obeyed. You as to intimate that they would drive would not have doubted that the recurhim into the Potomac. The President tions in the future are not to be apprekept cool, and didn't say a word, al- bended. If you could have seen the

though we have no doubt he thought | men of Massachusetts and South Carothey would have a good time trying it. lina coming into the convention on the Congress yielded a little to let Ten. first day of its meeting, hand in hand, amidst the rapturous applause of the teld," so whole body, awakened by heartfelt that that State might not come up gratification at the event, filling the against them in this fall's campaign. eyes of thousands with tears of joy, President Johnson did not oppose their which they neither could nor desired inclinations, and was pleased to see the to repress, you would have felt as every person present felt-that the time Radicals "giving in." had arrived when all sectional or oth-

Congress passed another freedmen's | er perilous dissensions had ceased, and bureau bill, which the President again that nothing should be heard in the future but the voice of harmony provetoed. The bill became a law, neverclaiming devotion to a common countbeless. try, of pride in being bound together

by a common Union, existing and pro-Congress thought they would adtected by forms of government proved journ before they would get the choleby experience to be eminently fitted ra, or be still more inconsistent by adfor the exigencies of either war or mitting other Southern States. peace.

Congress closed its session by re-In the principles announced by the convention and in the feeling there membering the Union soldiers, whom manifested, we have every assurance they had forgotten all along, and gave that harmony throughout our entire them \$50 and \$100 (a fortune no doubt); | land will soon prevail. We know that but they remembered themselves bet- as in former days, as was cloquently deter, and passed a bill increasing their clared by Webster, the nation's most

own pay \$2,000 for the session. This gifted statesman, Massachusetts and South Carolina went, "shoulder to was a fitting finale to all their inglori- shoulder through the Revolution," and ous proceedings.

are pursuing. And in the discharge of the dutics which these impose upon you, we, as did every member of the convention, again for ourselves individually tender to you our profound respect and assurance of cordial and

With a reunited union, with no foot but freedmen's treading or permitted stitution, are so glaringly inconsistent to tread on our soil, with a nation's faith with the condition in which the coun- pledged forever to strict observance of all its obligations, with kindness and fraternal love everywhere prevailing, the desolations of war will soon be removed ; its sacrifices of life, sad as they have been, with Christain resignation, be referred to a providential purpose. of fixing our beloved country on a firm and endurable basis which will forever place our liberty and happiness beyond citizens, in their deep devotion to the the reach of human peril; then, too, gave, to a speech I ever made, to a and forever will our Government chalwe in no danger of any efforts to impeach our honor.

And permit me, sir, in conclusion to charged that I failed to advocate the add, that great as your solicitude for amelioration and elevation of the great and your labors to that end, you have "Never !" and great applause.] So far also a watchful eye to the rights of the as charges of that kind are concerned, nation, and that any attempt by an as- I will say that they are simply intensumed or actual foreign power to en-force an illegal blockade against the Government or citizens of the United one in power who is usurping and States, to use your own mild but expressive words, "will be disregarded." In this determination I am sure you will receive the unanimous approval of your fellow citizens. Now, sir, as the chairman of this

committe, and in behalf of the convention, I have the honor to present you with an authentic copy of its proceed-

ings. When Mr. Reverdy Johnson had concluded, the President said : MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN OF

THE COMMITTEE : Language is inadequate to express the emotions and feelings produced by this occasion. Perhaps I could express more by permitting silence to speak, and you to infer what I might and ought to say. I confess that, notwithstanding the experience I have had in public life, and the audiences I have addressed, this occasion and this assemblage are well calculated to and do overwhelm me. As I have said, I have not language

to convey adequately my present feel-lings and emotions. In listening to the ments, but have stood there in conjunction with patriotic spirits, soundaddress which your elequent and disthey transpired, recurred to my mind. Seemingly I partook of the inspiration that prevailed in the convention, when I received a despatch, sent by two of that prevailed in the convention, when this great struggle against tyranny "And the people will not disappoint in such a crisis is found to grace its re-I received a despatch, sent by two of and despotism was, that the struggle you."] And I repeat, that neither the cord. To retain political power, to its distinguished members conveying should be sufficiently audible for the taunts nor jeers of Congress nor of a circumvent the President, to keep up in terms the scene which has just been American people to hear and underdescribed of South Carolina and Mas- stand. They did hear and looking on drive me from my purpose. [Great vide jobs for sorviceable adhereate stood hand in hand around the Ad.

sachusotts, arm in arm, marching into and seeing who the contestants were, applause.] I acknowledge no superior and to give a few sops to greedy see We have not thought it worth while ministration of Washington, and felt that vast assemblago, and thus giving and what that struggle was about, except my God, the author of my ex- tional agitaters-these, for the most ovidence that the two extremes had they determined they would settle this istence, and the people of the United they are the they determined they would settle this istence. tional agitators-these, for the most to mention the Constitutional amend- his own great arm lean on them for ments Congress sought to pass, (about | support, so they again with like mag-A great opportunity has been wasted -but so little was hoped for of late come together again, and that, for the question on the side of the Constitu- States. [Prolonged and enthusiastic sixty,) nor the number of inconsisten-cies of which it was guilty; but the above correct statement of its proceed-them for support. In the proceedings, of the Union. from it, that the country will be thank-

The manner in which he was called great truths you have laid down a con- and in plain sight of their outposts, upon to occupy that position I shall stitutional platform upon which all can and about equidistant between them not allude to on this occasion; suffice make common cause, and stand united and our own outposts. These explanit to say that he is here under the Con- together for the restoration of the ations made and a careless search of titution of the country, and being here | States and preservation of the Governthe cart made by the rebel sentry, that by virtue of its provision, he takes his ment without reference to party. The is a look into it, the cart proceeded on stand rampart of civil and religious query only is the salvation of the its way. Just as it neared the house liberty. (Prolonged cheering.) Having country, for our country rises above all a small party of our cavalry made a party considerations or influence. been taught in my early life to hold dash at it, and to the utter surprise of it sacred, and having practiced upon [Cries of "Good," and applause.] How the rebel pickets, who saw the whole it during my whole public career, I many are there in the United States affair, our men only hovered a momen shall ever continue to reverence the that now require to be free? They Constitution of my fathers and to make have the shackles upon their limbs around the cart, then galloped back with one more man than they came it my guide. (Hearty applause.) and are bound as rigidly as though with, leaving cart and beef, and driver they were in fact in slavery. I repeat, I know it has been said, and I must and mule behind them. They did not then, that your declaration is the secbe permitted to indulge in the remark. know it then, but under the beef was ond proclamation of emancipation to that the Executive Department of the a man, and the man bad a package, the people of the United States, and Government has been despotic and and the package contained the state offers a common ground upon which tyrannical. Let me ask this audience ments of General Lee before the Comall patriots can stand. [Applause.] of distinguished gentlemen around me mittee of Congress a few hours before. Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, here to-day to point to a vote I ever In outline, this was how the thing me in this connection ask you what I was done. It may seem strange, but have to gain more than the advance-Lincoln and Grant knew long before many of the highest officials of the insingle act of my whole public life that lenge the admiration and receive the has not been against tyranny and des-respect of the nations of the world, and potism. What position have I ever much opposed to the indulgence of surgent Government the sworn stateegotism as any one, but here, in a conoccupied, what ground have I ever asment of their commander as to the versational manner, while formally re hopelessness of further resistance .sumed, where it can be truthfully ceiving the proceedings of this conven-Knowing that the Government and tion, I may be permitted again to ask, Grant had this information explain the restoration of our domestic peace mass of my countrymen? [Cries of what have I to gain consulting human many things in connection with the arrival within our lines of Hunter, ambition more than I have gained, except in one thing? My race is near-Stephens and Campbell, at the time of ly run. I have been placed in the high the Hampton Roads conference, which office which I occupy under the Conat the time were inexplicable. The ded to deceive and delude the public stitution of the country, and I may mind into the belief that there is some feat of obtaining this information is say that I have held, from lowest to unrivalled in the annals of war, and highest, almost every position to which gradually, as the facts come to light, trampling upon the rights and perverta man may attain in our Government. ing the principles of the Constitution. it will be found that Grant had every I have passed through every position, It is done by those who make such day such particular information from charges for the purpose of covering idency of the United States; and surerebel capital that he knew what the their own acts. [Cries of "That's so!" and applause.] I have felt it my duty, Jeff. Davis was talking about each day and applause.] I have felt it my duty, ly, gentlemen, this should be enough to in vindication of principle and the gratify a reasonable ambition. If I in the most private of his conversa tions with his Cabinet and members of Constitution of my country; to call athis Congress."

tention to those proceedings. When perpetuate my own power, how easy would it have been to hold and wield we come to examine who has been playing the tyraut, by whom do we that which was placed in my hands by and that despotism has been exercised? the measure called the Freedmen's Bureau bill. [Laughter and applause.] As to myself, the elements of my nature, the pursuits of my life, have not With an army which it placed at my made me, either in my feelings or in discretion I could have remained at my practice, aggressive. My nature, on the contrary, is rather defensive in fifty or sixty millions of appropriations Never had a hody of men a nobler opits character. But I will say that hav-ing taken my stand upon the broad principles of liberty and the Constitu-tion, there is not power enough on wints the liberty and the Constitu-tion, there is not power enough on the worked by my own hands, with my satraps and dependents in every town and village, and then with the civil the worked by my own hands, with my satraps and dependents in every town and village, and then with the civil the worked by my own hands, with my satraps and dependents in every town and village, and then with the civil the base called. There is hardly earth to drive me from it. [Loud and rights bill following as an auxiliary to be found in the annals of any naprolonged applause.] Having placed [laughter] in connection with all the tion a more ignoble failure. They myself upon that broad platform, I other appliances of the Government, I have contributed nothing to the public have not been awed, dismayed or in- could have proclaimed myself dictator. need; as far as their action is cou timidated by either threats or encronch. ["That true," and applause.]

But, gentlemen, my pride and my as remote as ever. Never before was ambition have been to occupy that so large a majority of any representa

of the close of Congress:

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A JUST CRITICISM .- The New York

Journal of Commerce speaks as follows

It found the country torn and was-

ted by a long civil war, the finances

disordered, the currency depreciated,