## Progress of Reconstruction. THE

The Reconstruction act which passed the

late Congress over the President's veto already virtually accepted by the Sonth: It is (of course) denounced and execrated by certain noisy ex-Rebels (mainly of the bomb-proof variety :) • but not many even of those, talk of resisting it, while the policy of the "masterly inactivity" has few advocates, and their number is rapidly. dwindling. And for this there is excellent refuse to organize their States under the er Rebels should insist on testing the constitutionality of the act bef re the Supreme Court, they will simply compel that Court to decide whether a State organization by tion as American legislators loyal men in obedience to an act of Congress or a rival organization by ex-Rebels in defiance of Cougress shall be recognized and upheld by the authority and pow er of the Union : and it does not seem probable that a majority even of our present Judges will decide that issue against Con gress and the loyal organizations.

sult from the act which was so lately stigmatized by its enemies as one "to organize hell" in the South. On the contrary; the prospect is decidedly invorable to a nearer and ogues to be words that will shine brighter fiscal year ending June 30, 1888, and for District of Columbia. prospect is decidedly favorable to a nearer exhibited at the South for years. Outrage and violence are less prevalent there than they have been; a d there is reason to hope that the Reconstruction at hand will te marked by no such hideous tragedies as those which in 1866 disgraced the crites of Memphis and New-Orleans.

The only clouds on the horizon are fair ly chargeable to an omission by Congress to prescribe the machinery whereby Reconstruction is to be effected. Had the act it proved itself more faithful to human prescribed a day (say the fourth of July) progress and liberty than any of its prede whereon the people of the ten States re- cessors. The outraged and oppressed found spectively shall (not may) meet and choose in the these congressional halls champions delegates to a Constitutional Convention, and friends. Its key-note of policy was proand directed either the provisional State tection to the down-trodden. It quailed authorities or the military district comman and before the mightest and neglected not yard at Philadelphia. ders to designate persons to hold the polls, the obscurest. It lifted the slave whom count the votes, &c., all trouble would have the nation had freed up to the full stature been precluded.

That the omission is unfortunate, is al ready manifest in Virginia and in Louisiana. In Virginia, the Blacks and other loyalists ments that honor the American govern-Hunnicutt.

Rebels propose to hold a Constitutional treason or disloyalty. Fortunate will it be election as if in conformity to the act of for us if, when we surrender these seats to Congress, but to reject the votes of all col- our successors, we can point to a record ored men! We do not, believe they will which will shine on our historic page like ored men! We do not, believe they will which will which will be that of the Congress which has just expir-persist in this stupidity. If they mean to that of the Congress which has just expir-deny and resist the authority of Congress in the premises, their obvious course is to this Capitol, our whole national structure this begin permanently restored, resting on eteries.

JOURNAL. Coudersport, Pa. Tuesday, Mar. 19, 1867.

M. W. MCALARNEY, EDITOR. SPEECH OF SPEAKER COLFAX. Hon. Schuyler Colfax, who was elected

Speaker of the Fortieth Congress, addressreason, in the fact that, if the ez-R-be's ed the House as follows on taking the chair: Elected for the third time to this re act of Congress, the Unconditional Union sponsible and trying position, I appreciate ists (White and Black) will organize more than ever before the inheritance of each of and by themselves. If, then, the this trust, and realize more than when first entering on its difficult duties the absolute necessity of your confidence and support. Nor do I overrate the gravity of our posi-

"The year has never dropped their sand On mortal issue vast and grand As ours to-day."

A nation decirated by the conflicts of fraternal strife-a land' desolated by the destructive marches of hostile armies a peo-ple with the fruits of prolonged war ripened into the gloomy harvest dead with the ury te receive into the Treasury the re-idbullets as well as hearts heavy with bereave- uar legacy of James Smithson; to authorized under the late act of Congress, and ments and broken with anguish-look anrized under the late act of Congress, and Frents and orosen with and south and South alke to this tion to apply the income of the said legacy, tute," and to define and extend the powers States courts in New York city. to claim seats in the present (XLth) Con- capital of continental domain. But there and for other purposes. gress. So much is already a sured. And is a pathway of duty liminous with light, it is morally certain that the great body o their people. irrespective of past differences to guide our steps by the justice of God and Making appropriations to supply defic- United States, and for other purposes. of polities or condition, will participate in the rights of mon. It is to banish all mal tencies in the appropriations for contingent the rights of man. 14 is to banish an man expenses of the House of Representatives expenses of the Government for the year Nor is there any symptom of violent our works. It is to anchor our legislation of the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30,1868, and for other purposes. To provide ways and means for the great commoner of England, ending June 30, 1867. John Bright, declaras to be the simple bat sublime principles on which great national geant of the battallion of engineers. questions should be settled—the basis of Making appropriations for the set ternal rights. It is to write on our banthan the stars that gen the firmament- other purposes. Liberty, Loyalty, and Law. It is to make history that posterity will rise up and call us smuggling, and for other purposes, approrblessed. The Congress which has just ascol ed July 18, 1866. away has written a record that will be long remembered by the poor and the friendless, whom it did not forget. Misrepresented or misunderstood by those who denounced it as ensures, harshly and unjustly criticised by some who should have been its friends, of manhood. It placed on our statutebook the civil rights bill as our national Magua Charta, grander than all the enact-

are exhorted not to vote at the election ment had been destroyed by a vanquished spicies or the State authorities, but to hold fence to the weakest, that the freedman's other purposes an election of their own. We trust means hand should wield the freedman's ballot, an election of their own. We trust means and that none but loyal men should govern will be found to avoid a double election; and that none but loyal men should govern and we cannot help advising the lovalists a land which loval sacrifices had saved. and we cannot neep advising the lovalists a much which toyar sacrinces had saved. of that State to follow the lead of Francis Taught by inspiration that new wine could H. Pierpont rather than that of James W. not be safely put in old bottles, it proclaimed that there could be no safe or loval re-

In Louisiana, it is reported that the ex construction on a foundation of unrepented

To incorporate the Washington County Horse Railroad Company in the District of Columbia. To incorporate the First Congregational Society of Washington.

To punish certain crimes in relation to the pulsic securities and currency, and for Amendatory of "An act to amend an

act entitled 'An act relating to habens centence for offences against the laws of the gress to aid in the construction of a railroad corpus, and regulating judicial proceed United States. ings in certain cases," approved May 11. 1866.

To amend "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," approved September 24, 1789. To authorize the extension, construction, and use of a lateral branch of the Baitimore and Potomac milroad into and within

the District of Columbia. Exempting certain property of debtors in the District of Columbia from levy, attachment, and sale on execution.

To punish illegal voting in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes. To provide for the payment of pensions. Anthorizing the Secretary of the Treas-

For the admission of the State of Ne-

Making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department during the

Supplementary to an act to prevent Indian affairs, and for other purposes.

Amendatory of the several acts respect- service of the Government for, the fiscal in Oregon. ing copyrights.

To authorize the payment of prize money to certain officers and enlisted mon of the signal corps of the army. To authorize the nurchase of certain lots of Washington.

f ground adjoining the Allegany arsona', at Pitt-burgh, Pennsylvania. To authorize the Secretary of the Navy

to accept League Island, in the Delaware proclamations of the President, and acts mander S. L. Breese, U. S. navy, to the you pay low prices now GOODS river, for naval purposes, and to dispense done in pursuance thereof, or of his orders with and dispose of the site of the existing in suppression of the late rebellion against

To authorize the trustees of the Foundry (M. E.) Churcheto sell and convey square No 235, in the city of Washington. Concerning the fire department of Wash-

ington city. To regulate the duties of the Clerk of Making appropriations for the support Authorizing ment had been destroyed by a vanquished the House of Representatives in preparing of the army for the year ending June 30, for the deline, it declared, as a guarantee of de-

'To declare the sense of an act entitled "An act to restrict the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims, and to provide for the ment of the insurrectionary States payment of certain demands for quarter-Making appropriations for the payment of invalids and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1868.

Providing for the election of a Congressional Printer. To alter the places of holding the cir-

cuit courts of the United States for the tion, preservation, and repairs of certain To establish and protect national cem- the fi-cal year ending June 30, 1868.

Granting

For the relief of certain drafted men. Relative to the port of Camuen, New and towns upon the public lands. Jersey.

andria, Washington, and Georgetown Rail circuits, and for the appointment of a marroad Company in the District of Columbia. shal of the Supreme Court. Regulating the tenure of certain civil To amend an act entitled "An act to exoffices. In relation to persons imprisoned under ted States of the lands granted gy Con-

the city of Washington," approved May of said road," approved July 3, 1866. 17, 1848.

State courts," approved July 27, 1866. 25, 1866. To extend the provisions of an act entitled "An act for the final adjustment of private land claims."

Relating to write of appeal and write of error to the Supreme Court. To regulate the dispession of the pro-

curred under the laws relating to customs. To extend the time for the completion buted to honorably discharged soldiers free of certain street railways. To amend an act entitled "An act to in-

To provide for a temporary increase of

To prevent the absence of territorial offi-

cers from their official duties. Authorizing limited partnerships in the

To provide for an annual inspection into Making appropriations and to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the Sanfrancisco, in California, and Portland, year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hun-

dred and sixty-seven, and for other purposes. Revolutionary soldiers. To pay and discharge cert in debts and expenditures to the Corporation of the city York harbor...

To provide increased revenue from imported wool, and for other purposes. To declare valid and conclusive certain

the United States.

Making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the year of the United States engaged in the survey of a route for a ship canal across the Isthending June 30, 1868.

teers as a part of the army. To provide for the more efficient govern-

Making appropriations for the repair. master's stores and subsistence supplies preservation, and completion of certain furnished to the army of the United States." publick works heretofore commenced under the authority of law, and for other purposes. To amend existing laws relating to in-

ternal revenue. To authorize the building of light-houses therein mentioned and for other purposes. Making appropriations for the construcfortifications and other works of defense for

unds to and in the const

For the relief of the inhabitants of cities GOOD To provide for the allotment of the mem-To grant certain privileges to the Alex-bers, of the Supreme Court among the

NEW tend the time for the reversion to the Uni-

To amend an act entitled "An act to some point on or near Traverse Baygin the continue, alter, and amend the charter of State of Michigan, and for the completion STRANGE

To amend an act entitled "An act au-To amend an act entitled "An act for thorizing the construction of a jail in and the removal of causes in certain cases from for the District of Columbia, approved June

> JOINT RESOLUTIONS. To appoint two managers for the Nation-Asylum for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers

to fill vacancies. To provide for the exhibition of the cereal productions of the United States at ceeds of fines, penalties, and forfeitures in- the Paris Exposition in April next.

Authorizing certain medals to be distri-THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES of postage.

To procure a site for a building to accommudate the post-office and United

Appropriating money to defray the ex-penses of the joint select committee on retrenchment.

Authorizing the Secretary of War to transfer certain property to the National Asylum for Disabled Volunteers.

To provide for the removal of the wreck Prompt conformity to the Lowest of the steamship Scotland.

To amend existing laws relating to internal revenue.

Providing for the payment of certain Kentucky militia forces

To provide, in certain cases, for the removal of alcohol from bonded warehouses

free from internal tax. In relation to ocean mail service between

For the purchase of David's Island, New

To extend the time for codifying the 'aws relating to customs, au horized by the

joint resolution approved July 26, 1866. For the restoration of Lieutenant Com-

active list from the retired list.

Authorizing the employment of a public essel for the transportation of provisions

To extend aid and facilities to citizens

Authorizing the Secretary of the Treas ary to permit the owner of yacht "May flowe" to change the name of the same you know our prices we feel sure

that of "Silvie," and to issue an American register to the steam yacht Ulance. To provide for the ascertainment and

portionment of the proper quota of the We are in for the trade this spring rect tax of 1861 to the State of West irginia, and for other purposes.

Giving additional compensation to cer in employees in the civil service of the overnment at Washington,

Shall take the lead in furnishing this To extend the provisious of the act in -gard to agricultural colleges to the State ection of the country with the best of Tennessee.

To extend the time for the use of cer articles for the least money. Ours is the tain vessels for quarantine purposes at the Store where that can be done. COME, port of New York.

Authorizing the Secretary of the Nava SEE and he CONVINCED

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adhere to their present State organization, and take no part in the choice of delegates to make another.

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On the whole, the good work of Reconstruction is progressing fluorably and rap-your rules, out not as a partisan 1 appeal of Orponantione, approved out 20,000, of Calibratian To incorporate the joint stock company idly. These who have for years vociferation is of your rules, out not as a partisan 1 appeal To regulate proceedings before justices To incorporate the joint stock company idly. These who have for years vociferation alone a presiding officer can be sustained of the peace in the District of Columbia, of the Young Men's Christian Association of the transformation of We binder the interview of the peace in the District of Columbia, of We binder the peace in the peace in the District of Columbia. ing the Southern States unrepresented and pledging you in return an inflexible impar- and for other purposes. ing the Southern States unrepresented and provide your deliberations to grade the light statistic of the District of Co- Making appropriations for the light statistic of the Co- Making appropriations for the light statistic of the Govident, will be singing a very different song and invoking on your deliberations the fabefore December .- Tribune.

THE latest cable despatches tend strong- now ready to take the oath of office prely to show that the disturbances in Ireland scribed by law. amount to the dignity of a rebellion. Tip-perary County is reported the center of one

Congress.

of its chief demonstrations, and the Galtec Mountains, it is said, are swarming with Fenians. Other counties are excited, and lic acts and resolutions passed by the Thir- Columbia. the rising is general enough to give en- ty-Ninth Congress, and approved by the ployment to considerable numbers of President of the United States, together Bruish troops. This is the color of the with those which have become laws by story as filtered through the English press; being passed over the President's veto: and it is possible that the situation, from A British view, may be still more troublesome. The fact of the insurrection is at last decided. We have still to await news of its fate.-N. Y. Tribune. March 11.

Tex bushels of snake bones were found in the ledge of a rick a few days since, the construction of a military road from the ledge of a rick a few days since, the construction of a military road from the ledge of the let session of the Thirty-To amend an act entited "Au act to To amend an act entited "Au act to near Cedar Rapids, Iowa. (A correspond-the construction of a military road from To amend section 12, chapter 299, of Engene City to the eastern boundary of the laws of the 1st session of the Thirtythe place where the Copperheads went in said State." last fall.")

-We think it more likely that this is one of the many such places it to which the the Treasury as compensation to persons To change certain collection districts in mail steamship service between the United "Cops" have been crawling for years past, c aiming the service or labor of colored Maryland and Virginia. and which accounts for their non-appear- volunteers or drafted men, and for other Relative to collection districts in North ance at the polls.

tionality and validity of the prohibitory liquor laws. The decision was read by Chief Justice Chase recently, and covers not jonly the liquor laws but the laws against lotteries.

To inc reporate the National Safe De-The Copperheads are not satisfied with the military Governors lately appointed by posit Company of Washington, in the Dis- and diplomatic expenses of the Governthe President for the South. This is not trict of Columbia.

strange, as the only military Governors for To repeal section 13 of "An act to sup- and for other purposes." the South, which the Cops approved, were press insurrection, to punish treason and Making appropriations for the support tember 2, 1789. the rebels with arms in their hands. rebellion, to seize and confiscate the prop- of the Military Academy for the fiscal year Amendatory of

An important enlargement of the Erie proved July 17, 1862. Extension canal is now in progress neral Territories of the United States. Mendville, Crawford county.

eteries. the sure foundation-stones of loyalty, unity, your rules, but not as a partisan I appeal ors' Orphan Home," approved July 25,1866. of California.

therein. fions in the hollow of His hand. I am

The following is a correct list of the pub-

Making appropriations an I to supply umbia river, to Fort Boise, on the Snake I-ficiencies in the appropriations for the river. service of the Government for the fiscal To amend the 21st section of an act en-

To regulate the elective franchise in the District of Columbia.

Suspending the payment of moneys from Greetot. Michigan. purposes.

Setting aside certain proceeds from in- To amend the act entitled "An act fur-Arizona and Dakota. To fix the times for the regular meet- ther purposes," approved July 25, 1866

ings of Congress In ggard to the compensation of route Mississippi river at Clinton, in the State of Iowa, a post route. agents in the Post Office Department.

Making appropriations for the consular ment for the year ending June 30, 1868

Ninth Congr :89.

erty of rebels, and for other purposes," ap- ending June 30,1808, and for other purposes. To fix the compensation of the officers To regulate the elective franchise in the of the revenue cutter service, and for other

purposes

To amend an act entitled "An act to in- tion of a railroad from the city of Stockton of duty I come to this chair to administer corporate the National Soldiers and Sail to the town of Copperopolis, in the State

Making appropriations for the hilpislative To amend the law of the District of Coermnent for the year ending June 30, 1868. To establish a uniform system af bank-

For the punishment of certash crimes therein named in the District of Columbia, ruptcy throughout the United States. To establish certain post roads. and for other purposes.

To restore Lieutenant Joseph P. Fyffe Making appropriations for the naval The Work of the Thirty-Ninth to his grade in active service of the Navy. Bervice for the year ending June 30, 1868. Fixing the compensation for the bailiffs To define and punish certain crimes and criers of the courts of the District of therein named.

To incorporate the National Insurance Company. To create the office of surveyor general To authorize the construction of a sub-

merged tubular bridge across the Mississin the Territories of Utah and Montana, ippi river at the city of St. Louis. Granting lands to the State of Oregon and to establish a land office in the Territo ail in the construction of a military tories of Utah, Montana, and Arizona. To regulate the disposition of an irregu

wagon road from Dalles city, on the Colar found in the custody of the freedmen's 1864. Bureau. To abolish and forever prohibit the sys-

year ending June 30, 1867. To amend an actentitled "An act grant-gling, and for other purposes," approved Mexico and other parts of the United States, tem of peonage in the Territory of New

Ninth Congress. To amend an act granting the right of Territory of Idaho," approved March 3,

way over the military reservation at Fort 1863. To authorize the establishment of ocean

States and the Hawaiian Islands To amond an act entitled "An act concerning the fire department of Washington ity," approved February 18, 1867.

THE Supreme Court of the United ternal revenue for the erection of peniten-States has at length decided the constitu-tionality and validity of the brohibitory Washington, Colorado, Idaho, Moutana, in whole or in part by steam, to regulate ondaga to George Quintard, of New York. the salaries of steamboat inspectors, and for the construction of vessels of war and steam machinery.

Declaring Ulinton bridge, across the Allowing duties on foreign merchandise mported into the port of Albany to be secured and paid at that place.

Montana," approved May 26, 1864.

in the District of Columbia.

o grant the use of guns for trial of Ridg vav's battery,-For the erection of an equestrian statue

to ti e memory of Brevet Lieutenant Gen ra! Winfield Scotr. Prohibiting payments by any officer of

we are now offering at prices which can he Government to any person not know? o have been opposed to the rebellion and

in favor of its suppression. For printing additional copies of the Appendix to the Diplomatic Correspondnce of 1865.

Relative to the post office and sub-treas ry of the city of Boston. Concerning the right of way for the nrvey and construction of an inter-oceanic

ship canal through the Isthmus of Darien. To enable the Secretary of War to carry out an agreement in relation to water-pow

or for the arsenal at Rock Island. To amend, section 5 of an set entitled An act to increase duties on imports, and or other purposes," approved June. 30,

in relation to the erection of a jail in he District of Combia.

Instructing the Secr tary of the Interior o order a survey for a bridge or bridges across the Potomac.

Authorizing the Secretary of State to preseit to Captain James G. Smith, of the Bratish brig Victoria, a gold chronometer n token of appreciation of his services in rescuing from death the master, officers

trew, and passengers on board of the American brig E. H. Titler.

For the reduction of the military reser vation of Fort Riley, and to grant land for bridge purposes to the State of Kansas ty," approved February 18, 1867. Authorizing the Secretary of the navy act to extend the jurisdiction of the Court STICARS SUBJECT ACTION TO A COULT TO A to transfer the United States iron clad On- of Claims, approved July 4, 1864. To provide for the exchange of certain public documents.

In relation io banking associations. To facilitate the settlement of accounts of disbursing officers.

Authorizing Gustavus V Fox, late As sistant Secretary of the Navy, and the offi-To establish a department of education. cers of the iron-clad Miantonomah and gun-

Supplemental to "An act to establish boat Augusta, to accept presents tendered the Treasury Department," approved Sep- them by the Emporer of Russia. Thanking the Chambers of Senators and

Amendatory of "An act to provide a Deputies of Brazil for their resolutions of temporary government for the Territory of sorrow and sympathy on the death of REMEMBER WE PAY THE HIGHEST President Lincoln.

To incorporate the Howard University -Presnting the thanks of Congress to Cy rus W. Field.

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