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Relevant event	Primary Source	Source Date	Source type	Repository
Louisiana Black Codes	Acts Passed by the General Assembly of Louisiana in 1865, Act No. 16	November 23, 1865	Amendments	Collection, Tulane
Presidential pardon of former Confederates	A Proclamation: Full Pardon and Amnesty, Andrew Johnson Papers, Series 7, Executive Order	December 25, 1868	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Library of Congress
Memphis Riot	Scenes in Memphis, Tennessee, during the Riot, Harper's Weekly	May 26, 1866	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
14th Amendment	14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: Civil Rights (1868)	June 16, 1866	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	National Archives
Mechanics' Institute Massacre	Stereograph, Mechanic's Institute New Orleans, Louisiana/ Lilientha's Photographic Establishment	1860-1870	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Mechanics' Institute Massacre	A Terrible Day, New Orleans Daily Crescent	July 31, 1866	Newspapers	Library of Congress
Mechanics' Institute Massacre	Interior of the Mechanics' Insitute during the riot, illustration, Harper's Weekly	August 25, 1866	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Mechanics' Institute Massacre	Siege and assault of the convention by the police and citizens, Harper's Weekly	August 25, 1866	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Mechanics' Institute Massacre	"Sheridan's Dispatches," New Orleans Tribune, African American Newspaper	August 31, 1866	Newspapers	Library of Congress
Mechanics' Institute Massacre	Report of the Select committee on the New Orleans Riots	1867	Testimony and Reports	Library of Congress
Federal Reconstruction Acts	First Reconstruction act, March 2, 1867, 14 stat 428	March 2, 1867	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Library of Congress
Federal Reconstruction Acts	Second Reconstruction Act, March 23, 1867	March 23, 1867	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Library of Congress
Federal Reconstruction Acts	Third Reconstruction Act, July 19, 1867	July 19, 1867	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Library of Congress
Federal Reconstruction Acts	Fourth Reconstruction Act, March 11, 1868	March 11, 1868	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Library of Congress
Black Americans voting	"The first vote," drawn by A.R. Ward, Movember 16, 1867, Harper's Weekly v. 11, no. 568	November 16, 1867	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Louisiana Consitutional Convention of 1868	Extract from the reconstructed Constitution of the state of Louisiana with portraits of the distinguished members of the Convention and Assembly, A.D. 1868	1868	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Louisiana State Constitution of 1868	Constitution adopted by the State Constitutional Convention of state of Louisiana, March 7, 1868	March 7, 1868	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Library of Congress
Louisiana Slaughterhouse Act 1869	Acts passed by the General Assembly of Louisiana, 1869 Act No. 118, Slaughterhouse Act	January 4, 1869	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	Law Library of Louisiana

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15th Amendment	15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: Voting Rights (1870)	February 26, 1869	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	National Archives
Louisiana Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases	State of Louisiana vs. Wm Fagan, et al, Supreme Court of Louisiana, November 1870	November 1870	Court cases	Law Library of Louisiana
Growing Black political power	The first colored senator and representatives - in the 41st and 42nd Congress of the United States	1872	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Ku Klux Klan Act 1871	Visit of the Ku-Klux/ drawn by Frank Bellow, Harper's weekly, v. 16, no. 791	February 24, 1872	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
US Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	Pork Packing in Cincinnati, published by Ehr Gott & Krebs, chromo-lithograph exhibited by Cincinnati Pork Packers' Association	1873	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
US Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	Perspective View of New Orleans and Environs from the South	1884	Maps	Historic New Orleans Collection
US Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	1890 Butchers in the French Market, Mugnier Photograph	1890	Prints and Photographs	Louisiana State Museum
US Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	Jefferson City Butcher Directory 1868 (Merged in New Orleans 1870, part of uptown)	1868	Publications	Law Library of Louisiana
US Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	Excerpts of US Supreme Court Majority and Dissenting Opinions in Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	1873	Court Cases	Constitution Center
US Supreme Court Slaughterhouse Cases 1873	Slaughterhouse Cases dissenting opinion, 1873	1873	Court cases	Library of Congress
McEnery supporters attack Metro Police March 5, 1873	"The Louisiana Militia Surrender to US Troops," The Daily Picayune, March 6, 1873	1873	Newspaper	Law Library of Louisiana
Lead up to the Battle of Liberty Place	"A Black League," The Daily Picayune, June 30, 1874	June 30, 1874	Newspaper	Law Library of Louisiana
Lead up to the Battle of Liberty Place	Crescent City Club. Its complete reorganization as a White League. The Daily Picayune	July 1, 1874	Newspaper	Law Library of Louisiana
Murder of Julia Hayden, Lead up to Battle of Liberty Place	"Louisiana and the Rule of Terror; portr. Of Julia Hayden (murdered August 21, 1874 in Tennessee), Harper's Weekly	October 3, 1874	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Lead up to the Battle of Liberty Place	Ratification. An immense turn out of the Democracy, White Leagues and other Organizations Composing the People's Party, The new orleans Times	September 2, 1874	Newspaper	Law Library of Louisiana
Battle of Liberty Place: September 14, 1874	Revolution in New Orleans-Overthrow of the Kellogg State Government of Louisiana, Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper	1874	Prints and Photographs	Historic New Orleans Collection

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Battle of Liberty Place: September 14, 1874	Sharpshooters behind cotton bales, Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper	October 3, 1874	Prints and Photographs	Historic New Orleans Collection
Battle of Liberty Place: September 14, 1874	Battle of New Orleans for Freedom, Map, Published 1874	1874	Maps	Louisiana State Museum
Battle of Liberty Place: September 14, 1874	Letter from Algernon Sidney Badget of the Metropolitan Police giving father a detailed account of Battle of Liberty Place	December 22, 1874	Correspondence	Tulane University Library
White violence against Black people	The Union as it Was The Lost cause, worse than slavery, KKK and White League shaking hands, Harper's Weekly	October 24, 1874	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Population Demographics 1870	Colored aggregate population (1870), United States Census Office	1874	Maps	Library of Congress
Civil Rights Act of 1875	Civil Rights Act of 1875	1875	Laws - Statutes, Acts, Amendments	National Archives
White violence against Black people	"Is this a repbulican form of government," Black man kneels by slain family, by Thomas Nast, Harper's Weekly	September 2, 1876	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Contested Louisiana Governor Election 1876, Cabildo attack January 9, 1877	"Louisiana - The Dual State Government - Seizure of the Supreme Court Building at New Orleans by the State Militia, Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, p.348	January 27, 1877	Prints and Photographs	HathiTrust
Compromise of 1877	A truce - not a compromise, but a chance for high-toned gentlemen to retire gracefully from their very civil declarations of war / Th. Nast., Harper's Weekly	February 17, 1877	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Compromise of 1877	The political farce of 1876 [graphic].	1877	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Compromise of 1877	The Proceedings of the Electoral Commission of 1877	January 29, 1877	Publications	GovInfo
Withdraw of Federal Troops from Louisiana	Louisiana--the withdrawal of the federal troops from the State House in New Orleans, at noon, on April 24th [graphic] / from sketches by our special artist, A.J. Bennett.	May 19, 1877	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress
Hall v. Decuir 1877	Hall v. DeCuir, 95 U.S. 485 (1877) Overview and Opinions	1877	Court Cases	Justia
Louisiana Separate Car Act	Louisiana Separate Car Act of 1890, Act of Louisiana	1890	Laws	StudythePast.com
Citizens' Committee formed	Reform at home, The New Orleans Crusader	October 17, 1891	Newspapers	Xavier University
Desdunes Challenge Separate Car Act Feb 24, 1892	"Jim Crow is Dead," The New Orleans Crusader	July 16, 1892	Newspapers	Xavier University
Plessy v. Ferguson 1896	Plessy v. Ferguson, 163 U.S. 537 (1896), Overview and Opinions	1896	Court Cases	Justia
Louisiana State Constitution 1898	p. 75 discusses who shall be allowed to vote	May 12, 1898	Laws	Harvard University
Lynching	"The Reign of Lawlessness" p. 3, Richmond Planet	September 15, 1900	Newspapers	Library of Congress
Segregation Laws	"White" and "Jim Crow" railcars, McCutcheon, John T.	1904	Prints and Photographs	Library of Congress