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No mail was received on Saturday, from any point beyond Mobile: the failure was doubtless occasioned by high waters.

The following letter written by the Hon. J. J. Caldwell, one of our Senators in Congress, and copied from the Argus of Saturday, sufficiently explains itself. We hope its publication will have the effect of calling the attention of all persons interested, to the important subject referred to by the writer.

WASHINGTON, DEC. 28, 1830.

Sir.—The pre-emption law of the 20th of May 1830, will expire on the 2d of the year, that is on the 28th of May 1831. This law will enable many persons to obtain their lands at the minimum price and with little trouble. It may be difficult to re-enact this law, and I recommend earnestly to the claimants to enter now, while the offices are open. I particularly request the Editors of the papers to call the attention of our citizens to the law.

It is said that notwithstanding the facilities that have been so long afforded by the Government, there are still numerous small tracts, parts of large tracts, along the whole coast of the Mississippi, which have not been confirmed. This has arisen in some cases perhaps from neglect, but generally from other causes. These lands have in many instances been cultivated forty and fifty years, and the length of time creates difficulty in tracing out titles and descents and partitions, &c. Those inhabitants have the best titles, and they may be perfectly confident the Government will not permit them to be disturbed in their possession:—they will be exempt from sale.

In the mean time measures must be taken to obtain a confirmation of their titles. Where the land is valuable from its connection with an estate, and where the tract is small, it is recommended to enter under the pre-emption law of the last session, to be foreclosed to. This will be a little expensive, but it will save trouble and secure the land.

Where the tract is large, or the claimant poor, or if it is inconvenient to pay the money, it will be proper to address a petition to Congress, supporting the claim by respectable witnesses, and showing it to be within the principles of the claims heretofore conceded. These petitions will be referred to the same committee, who will report a bill for the confirmation of all of them.

This will present the alternative of entering all under one hundred and sixty acres at the minimum price, or of petitioning Congress. I need not say that those who have titles and settlement rights, that are embraced by any of the laws, or fall within the general principles established by the several Boards of Commissioners, may rely with perfect confidence on the justice of the country, and that the representatives of the state will give the proper attention to them. In the mean time the sales of the public land will progress under exceptions of all this class of claims, that will be reserved from sale.

This is considered better than to open again the Land Offices, which greatly expose the Government to fraud and mistakes, and the sales.

Those who mean to avail themselves of the law, should lose no time in making their entry, furnishing the proof and paying the money.

We hope during the session to obtain the separation of our district from Mississippi, so as to have a separate Government in our State, with all the surveys and archives that belong to the office. It is found extremely difficult to obtain a competent person for the office.

The sales of the public lands increase with the growth and prosperity of the country.—They produced in 1829 \$1,572,833, in 1824, 1,860,000. It is estimated for 1831, at \$1,700,000. In a few years it will reach two millions a year.

I am with great respect, your obedient servant,  
J. S. JOHNSTON.

A prospectus of the biography of HENRY CLAY, by Geo. D. Prentice, Esq., which it is understood, will shortly be issued from the press of Messrs. Hamner & Phelps of Cincinnati Ohio, has been left at the Book Stores, in this city, and also at the offices of the Mercantile Advertiser and The Bee.

Mr. Prentice is justly ranked among the best writers in the country; and from what we know of him personally, and the opportunity he has had to possess himself of the requisite materials we believe we have nothing in saying that the work will be executed in a style satisfactory to the public, creditable to the author, and worthy its illustrious subject.

It will contain about 300 large double pages, and handsomely bound, will be furnished to subscribers at \$2 per copy.

The Agent of the publishers who is now in this City, informs us that the books will be delivered during the months of May and June next.

## CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.

In the Senate yesterday a Report from the Secretary of the Navy was received, on the provision made to relieve the national ships at foreign ports prior to the expiration of the term for which the enlistment of the seamen had been made; and also the provision ordered to enable those whose term of enlistment has already expired to return to the United States. It was ordered to be printed.—Mr. Dickson submitted his resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution by limiting the periods to which a person would be eligible to be elected President of the United States to two terms.—The trial of Judge Peck was continued. Three additional witnesses for the impeachment were examined, on which the Managers announced that they rested their case. On the Court's rising, the further hearing of the trial was postponed till Monday next, in consequence of the unexpected absence of Mr. Witt, leading counsel for Judge Peck, owing to the severe indisposition of a member of his family.

The House of Representatives were yesterday engaged in the presentation of petitions and reports, and in the further consideration of the resolution of Mr. Howard, relative to the printing of the old Reports of the Committees on Commerce and Manufactures. Some discussion again took place on the subject of this resolution, which was again interrupted by the message from the Senate, announcing that the Senate were sitting as a Court of impeachment.—The House accordingly proceeded to the Senate.

Nashville, Jan. 3.

The City Hotel in this town is again open, under the superintendance of its old landlord, Capt. James Edmondson. This noble building has arisen from its ashes with increased splendor and convenience, and is certainly among the most spacious and commodious edifices of the kind in the Western country. To the enterprise and public spirit of a few of our citizens is the community indebted for the prompt and satisfactory completion of this important work, and we trust they will be amply rewarded for their exertions by the gratification of witnessing the success of their efforts for the benefit of the town and the accommodation of strangers.

On Saturday last, being the first day of the new year, Capt. Edmondson took possession of

the premises, and commenced operations by giving a handsome entertainment to his friends and acquaintances generally. The hospitable board was suitably supplied with substantial viands and agreeable beverages, and a crowd of cheerful guests testified their entire approbation, by smiling contentment and lively conversation, and by the unrestrained freedom with which they partook of the good cheer so liberally provided, and so freely tendered.—National Banner.

## THE SLAVE TRADE.

Admiralty Office, Nov. 20.  
Captain Gordon, of his Majesty's ship Atholl, has transmitted to the Right Hon. John Wilson Croker, a letter from Commander William Broughton, of his Majesty's ship Primrose, to Captain Gordon, dated at the island of Ascension, 5th October, 1830, of which the following is an extract.

Proceeding in execution of your orders of the 3d September, I had the good fortune to fall in at 11, 30, P. M. on the 6th of the month, with the Spanish ship *Velas Passajero*, Jose Antonio de la Vega, master, from Mydahl, bound to Havana, pierced for 26 guns, but having only 20 mounted; and from the officer whom I sent aboard not being allowed to examine her below, as usual, I concluded she had slaves on board. Finding I had much the advantage of her in sailing, and wishing to avoid the effusion of blood by a night action with a vessel crowded with slaves, I remained by her until morning, when, being within hail, and still resolutely refusing permission to search her, we opened our fire, which she returned immediately; the ships nearly touched each other: after the second broad side we laid her on board, and in ten minutes carried her, with a loss on our side of three killed and 20 wounded, out of a crew of as near as I could ascertain of 150 men of different nations, and having on board 555 slaves, five of whom were killed. Being myself wounded in the chest by a musket ball, my place was ably taken by Lieut. Foley, Mr. Fraser, Acting Master, and Mr. Bentham, Midshipman, to each of whom I feel decidedly indebted for their zealous exertions—as also to Mr. Williamson, setting purser, who rendered his services on deck during the action; and I feel myself particularly obliged in particular to the conduct of the acting surgeon, Mr. Lames, who, though dangerously ill, exerted himself in an extraordinary manner in his attention to the wounded, having no assistant on board. I cannot speak too highly in praise of the gallantry and good conduct of the warrant petty officers and ship's company, who distinguished themselves not only for their valour in action, but for their great personal exertions in refitting the two ships afterwards. I enclose a list of the killed and wounded.

Killed.—James Graham, seaman; William Banker and Benjamin Allen, mariners.  
Wounded.—Commander Broughton, severely; Mr. Fraser, master, severely; Mr. Poulton, midshipman, slightly; Mr. Watts, boatswain, dangerously; Mark Denick, marine, dangerously; George Martin, seaman, slightly; Henry Amery, seaman, severely; Wm. H. Brown, seaman, slightly; John Compton, seaman, slightly; J. Owens, seaman, slightly; Thos. Walker, marine, severely; H. Stevens, marine, slightly.

N. B.—I am happy to add that Commander Broughton, and the officers who were wounded, are quite recovered, with the exception of Mr. Watts, the boatswain, who is still in a dangerous state. (Signed) A. GORDON, Captain.

## MARINE JOURNAL.

PORT OF NEW-ORLEANS.  
CLEARED.  
Ship Frances, Buler N York.  
Ship Ches Adams, McLellan Boston.  
Ship Mary Ann, Rice, Liverpool.  
Ship Hope, M'Callister, Liverpool.  
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## GERMANY.

Leipzig, Oct. 27.—Two Commissioners from that city at Frankfurt, will shortly arrive, and form in concert with the Governor of the Grand Duchy, Wilmur, a Committee of the German Confederation.—Prince Philip of Hesse Darmstadt, is named as the intended Commander-in-Chief of the troops of the Confederation destined to occupy the Grand Duchy.—Within the last few days immense convoys of corn, rattle, and other provisions have entered the fortress, together with a considerable quantity of stores for the winter. On the 25th, a corps of Prussian soldiers made a sortie from Leipzig, but was driven back as they were engaged in the Valley of March. The country was at first alarmed, but returned into the town without committing the least act of hostility. The Prussian flag is floating at Leitz within sight of the Prussian garrison.

## COMMERCIAL.

From With's Price-Current, January 15.

GENERAL REMARKS.—The weather since our last has been disagreeably wet, cold, and tempestuous, and altogether unfavorable for outdoor business. The Mississippi continues to swell slowly, and was yesterday upon at 9 feet 6 inches, a low ordinary high water mark. There has arrived since our last twenty-seven steamships, generally of the largest class, with full cargoes; ten of which were from different towns on the Ohio river. Our market is now well supplied with western produce, and has not changed much since our last report; notwithstanding the importance and strong interest felt in the late news received from abroad, which will in time have some effect on the primary part of commerce, as the negotiating Bills of Exchange on houses in any part which confidence and shipments were formerly common circumstances.

COTTON.—Cleared, this week, for Liverpool, 4503 bales; N. York, 1614; Boston, 1196; Providence, 710; in all, 8523 bales. Arrived, in the same time, from the interior and Mississippi, 6130 bales; Tennessee 1993; together, 8122 bales. The sales are estimated at full seven thousand bales, at within a slight shade of our last quotations. We heard of a few small operations in Tennessee (western district) and Alabama, at from 9.8 down to 9 cents. We are still unwilling to venture quotations for country, as we are still unable to get a fair price for our country, but hope soon to have that satisfaction, based upon fair and general sales. Using the Liverpool classification, we quote Louisiana and Mississippi, viz:

Ordinary . . . . . 8 a 8 1/2 }  
Medium . . . . . 9 a 9 1/2 } good  
Fair . . . . . 9 a 9 1/2 } demand.  
Good Fair . . . . . 9 a 9 1/2 }  
Good and fine . . . . . 10 a 10 1/2 }  
SUGAR of good merchantable quality, on the plantation, is not brisk at our last quotations of 6 a 5 1/2 cents per lb, and from all we could learn, we are led to believe that the article has not improved this week, either in price or demand. Cleared for New York 1313 hds, 204 bbls; Boston 107 hds; Baltimore 350 hds; together 1769 hds and 204 bbls. We continue our former quotations for MOLASSES, remarking as before, that the lowest rate is intended for that above the city. (15 cents) and the highest for that below. Cleared for New York 915 hds, 1314 bbls, Baltimore 90 hds and 49 bbls.

New-York,	Hds.		Bbls.		MOLASSES.	
	1830	1831	1830	1831	1830	1831
Baltimore,	2920	440	277	43		
Philadelphia,	1203	481	600	268		
Charleston,	3742	316	501	300		
Baltimore,	658	187	196			
Boston,	267	12	25	146		
Norfolk,	600	9	1	2		
Providence,	8	1	2	148		
Portsmouth,						
Petersburg,	90	15				
Alexandria,	157	1	118	10		

Exported since the 30th September, coastwise, for the following ports, viz:  
DESTINATION, SUGAR, MOLASSES.  
Hds. Bbls. Hds. Bbls.  
New-York, 7759 473 2773 404  
Philadelphia, 2920 440 277 43  
Charleston, 1203 481 600 268  
Baltimore, 3742 316 501 300  
Savannah, 658 187 196  
Boston, 267 12 25 146  
Norfolk, 600 9 1 2  
Providence, 8 1 2 148  
Portsmouth,  
Petersburg, 90 15  
Alexandria, 157 1 118 10  
Total 1774 1894 3629 3345  
Same time in 1829: 4057 244 1093 973  
Same time in 1828: 28437 746 3355 845  
Same time in 1827: 14763 282 7706 1216  
Same time in 1826: 12925 281 1985 1037  
TOBACCO.—We continue our former quotations of 21, 31, a 4 cents, for crossed, second and first, as regards the small amount in hand lists, who are willing to sell. We have not any exchanges to report this week, and are rather led to believe that the article is not in so good request as it was when freights were in full operation less than the present high rates.

FLOUR is plenty and dull during the former part of the week, at from \$4 25 a \$4 50, up to Thursday, when the late news from Europe induced holders, generally, to ask \$2 per bushel; what it may be worth before the present sheet is printed and distributed, is entirely uncertain, depends much upon arrivals, of which nobody has any serious doubts as to a reasonable quantity.

PORK is plenty and dull, and not in that good request as it was some weeks past. The asking price continues the same as in our last.

LARD arrives freely and attracts a moderate demand. Judge of the city Council, I shall expose for sale on Wednesday the 26th of January, at 12 o'clock, at noon, at the Exchange Coffee House, corner of St. Louis and Chartres streets, a new handsomely four wheel carriage, acted at the suit of Pierre Levesque.  
L. PAUNTY, marshall.

## EXCHANGE ON BOSTON.

60 days sight for sale by  
STETSON & AVERY.

## LABOURERS.

30 LABOURERS wanted for five or six months at No. 49 Common Street.  
H. W. PALFREY.

## 500 POUNDS GEM SHELLAC.

for sale by WILLIAM G. HEWES.  
No. 9 Camp street.

## 200 MOLASSES HDS.

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No. 9 Camp street.

## PAPER.

—200 reams wrapping paper, 76 reams writing paper, landing and for sale by  
LINCOLN'S GREEN.

## SAIL CLOTH.

cutted to debarre, for sale by  
W. G. HEWES, Camp st.

ORLEANS BALL-ROOM.  
This evening, Monday January 17th, for the benefit of Mrs. E. Berns, a GRAND DRESS BALL, to be preceded by a BALLET d'operas, which will commence at 6 o'clock. The grand ball will take place immediately after, on Jan 17.

## HALL-ROOM.

At the corner of Bourbon & Orleans streets, On Wednesday, January 19th, A DRESS AND MASQUERADE BALL. ADMITTANCE—Gentlemen, . . . \$1. No ladies will be admitted without a personal ticket. Gentlemen will find a private room where they can deposit their canes, cloaks, hats, &c.  
On Saturday, 22d of January, A Grand Dress and MASQUERADE BALL. No lady will be admitted who shall not have received a ticket of invitation; nor will any tickets for ladies be delivered on the day of the ball. The price of gentlemen's tickets is \$1.

## SACKS & BALE ROPE.

Large double twined sack, 75 coils bale rope, for sale by  
J. W. ZACHARIE & Co.

## LANDING from brig Mantaro.

and for sale at No. 53 Levee street.  
100 bales fresh meadow Hay.  
10 barrels superior new Flour.  
THOMSON & GRANT.

## 21 BALES Deer Skins.

received per Steamboat Cumberland, and for sale at No. 27 Camp street, by  
STETSON & AVERY.

## PORK, LARD, BUTTER & Bale Rope.

200 Barrels Prime Pork, 10 do Cargo do, 250 Kegs Lard, 237 do Fresh Butter, 52 Coils Bale Rope, landing from Steamboat Cincinnati; for sale by  
STETSON & AVERY.

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## RUSSIA SHEETINGS.

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W. G. HEWES, Camp st.

## FLOUR & BUTTER.

—275 barrels and 50 half barrels best Flour, 50 Kegs Ohio Butter, just received and for sale by  
STETSON & AVERY.

## PORK and Lard.

—150 barrels mess Pork inspected, 10 do. lard, for sale by  
STETSON & AVERY.

## OX CART WHEELS.

—30 pair of Ox cart wheels, with sixteen five inches on the tread, well adapted for the use of planters, for sale by  
L. M. TOURNE.

## MACKEYELL.

—200 half and 100 half barrels mackerell, 235 barrels sperm oil, and 500 kegs cut nails, well assorted and in 100 lb. kegs, received by brig America and for sale by  
W. G. HEWES, no 9 Camp street.

## MARSEILLES WINE.

—For sale by  
J. MAGER.

## UNPRECEDENTED ATTRACTION.

JAMES T. COPE, from the Tower of London, and late of New York, begs leave most respectfully to inform the public that he has opened for their inspection his Exhibition at the corner of Levee and Chartres streets, where he hopes to meet with that encouragement so liberally bestowed by a discerning public, on subjects of natural history amongst which will be found an immense Apeconda, or mountain serpent of Cayana, also the Boa Constrictor, or Strangling serpent of Java, and great Bark serpent of Bengal, the oriental Cobra, or Head serpent of Sibiridgong, and two of those surprising snakes, bipeders, or golden headed serpents of Siam and the same destroyer, the real Egyptian Ichmoum, four of those astonishing reptiles of many hues, the Cameleons from Egypt.

Hours of exhibition from ten in the morning till 9 in the evening. Admission 50 cents entrance in Conti st.

N. B. for further particulars see hand bill, Jan 6.

## THE subscribers have formed a partnership

under the firm of LIVAUDAIS & CHARBONNET. They have opened their store at No. 56 Levee street, where will be constantly found a great assortment of Hardware and Ship-Chandlery.  
P. E. LIVAUDAIS, L. A. CHARBONNET.

## 250 dozen first quality Madeira Wine.

for sale at No. 40, Toulouse street, between Royal and Chartres.  
January 4  
M. S. ISRAEL & Co.

## TO RENT—A commodious two

story brick dwelling house, situated in Foucher street, near the corner of John street. Apply to  
P. M. TOURNE, 15, New Levee.

## ALEXANDER, book-binder, and Manu- facturer of blank

books &c. offers his services to the public, to execute all orders in his line of business. He may be found at No. 128 Toulouse-st. Jan 8

## 1000 pounds of CADIZ CHOCOLATE.

landing from Gibraltar, and for sale by  
F. OHIOL & Co. corner of Main and Conde Streets.

## FRESH FLOUR.

—300 barrels fresh flour (Baker's brand) now landing from steam-boat Criterion, for sale by  
PASCAL M. TOURNE, No. 15, New Levee street.

## SAIL CLOTH.

—No pieces first quality Russia Duck, received per brig Envy, for sale by  
W. G. HEWES, No. 9, Camp street.

## FOR BOSTON.—A Packet.

The fast sailing copper-fastened ship HELEN MAR, Captain Holmes, is now ready to receive cargo and leaving port on Monday will have dispatch. For freight or passage apply to the master on board, or to  
STETSON & AVERY, 27 Camp street.

## FOR PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

The copper-fastened brig PROGRESS, Capt. Foster, requires about 400 bales to complete her cargo, apply to the master on board, or to  
STETSON & AVERY, Camp street.

## FOR LIVERPOOL.

The (A) ship MOUNT VERNON, Capt. Foster, requires about 400 bales to complete her cargo, apply to the master on board, or to  
STETSON & AVERY, no 9 Camp-st.

## FOR BOSTON.

The (A) copper ship HELVE-TIA, Master Foster, having returned to the city to complete her cargo, can take yet the bulk of 100 to 200 bales cotton, if applied for immediately.

## FOR TAMPOICO.

(Passage only.) The fine fast sailing schooner NANTUCKET, Wm. H. Living master, having all her freight engaged will have immediate dispatch. For passage only apply on board opposite post no. 29, or to  
J. W. ZACHARIE & Co. Jan 14

## FOR BOSTON.

The A. I. ship CABINET, Toppan master, has part of her cargo engaged, and will meet with immediate dispatch. Apply on board or to  
LINCOLN'S GREEN.

## FOR CHARLESTON, (S. C.)

The fine fast sailing schooner MARY, Capt. Wicks, wants some light freight to complete her loading, and will meet with dispatch; for freight of which, or passage, having good accommodations, apply to the captain on board, or to  
J. W. ZACHARIE & Co. Jan 12

## FOR BOSTON.

The A. I. brig AGENORIA, E. Charrier Master, will meet with immediate dispatch. For freight apply to the master on board opposite Post No. 68, or to  
ALPHEUS GURNEY, 62 Gravier St.

## FOR HAVANA.

The fine fast sailing schooner GEN. GEDDES, Hagee Master, having part of her cargo engaged and going on board, will sail in a few days. For balance of freight or passage, having good accommodations, apply to the captain on board, near the Ferry or to  
J. W. ZACHARIE & Co. Jan 11

## FOR NORFOLK.

(Passage only.) The superior fast sailing coppered and copper fastened schooner TRANS-PORER, Watkins master, having good accommodations, apply to the captain on board, or to  
J. W. ZACHARIE & Co. Jan 10

## WANTED—A vessel of 4 to 500

bbls. sugar, for a round port. Apply to  
H. PERRET & CHARBONNET Jan 7

## FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

The fine ship MOUNT-VERNON, Captain Foster. Apply to  
W. G. HEWES, No. 9, Campstreet Jan 7

## FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

The fine brig ELIZA, Captain Perry, will carry about 200 bbls. sugar. Apply to  
W. G. HEWES, Jan 6

## FOR BOSTON.