COMMERCIAL.

LATEST DATES.

New-York	mar 31	Boston	mar 26
Mobile	april 8	Baltimore	april 8
Philadelphia	" 1	Washington	" 6
Charleston	feb 22	Liverpool	feb. 25
Savannah	" 20	London	" 24

NEW ORLEANS MARKETS.

SALES OF COTTON, YESTERDAY.

1100	bales Mississippi		18¼
125	do	do	17¾
115	do	do	18½
65	do	do	19
60	do	do	18¼
55	do	do	18¾
95	do	do	17¾
47	do	do	18
40	do	Western District	15¾

NEW YORK, March 31.

COTTON.—The sales of the last four days amount to 11 to 12 mille, viz: 34, Mobile at 18 a 18½; and 638 Florida & Upland at 16 a 20¢. Holders of fine cottons are firm, the supply being small. Our stock in all hands is 25 317 bales, against 27,614 at the same period last year. The sales to-day amount to 1060 bales, viz: 600 Mobile at 19¢ a 20¢, and one lot of 25 fine at 21¢; 300 Florida at 18¢ a 20¢; and 160 Uplands at 17¢ a 19¢.

Flour.—The market has been quiet. The effect of the advices per Roscoe has been to make good & fine Cotton current at previous extreme prices, while the low r qualities are still freely offered at former rates.

April 1.—COFFEE.—There is a steady demand for all descriptions, and prices are fully maintained.

Flour.—There has been a limited demand for Western during the week, and in consequence of the stock being so very much reduced, holders have been enabled to obtain an advance of fully 25 cts per bbl, and they refuse to sell at this improvement, except in small parcels.

EXCHANGE.—There was a large amount of bills on England offered for yesterday's packets, which, notwithstanding a brisk demand, occasioned a further decline 1 ¼ a ¾ per cent. in the rate. The cash sales were chiefly at 7¾ a 8 per cent. on England, 5f 30 on France, 394 cents. The transactions on Amsterdam at ¼ a 1 per cent. above the cash rates, money being still very scarce.

At New York, on the 1st inst, 550 shares U S Bank stock sold at 121¼; 50 do, 122, sixty days, and on the 2d, 500 shares sold at 121¾ on time; 57 do, 121¼; 50 do, 121¾.

CHARLESTON, April 6.

COTTON.—Notwithstanding the favorable accounts from Liverpool, received here on Monday last, our market for Uplands has continued very inanimate and dull. There are but very few purchases in market, and although one or two lots of very choice quality were sold on Monday at 21 cents; 20 cents appears now to be the extreme. For inferior Cottons no enquiry whatsoever. In Long Cottons a few small lots, principally common Sea Island, have been disposed of.

RICE.—Has likewise been very dull for the last three days. The sales have been few, and, as we understand, at a reduction of about ¼ on last week's prices.

Mr Bayou Sir, please to announce Dr. James S. McFarlane as a candidate for Alderman in 2d Ward, 2d municipality, and you will oblige

MANY VOTERS

New Orleans, April 8th, 1836. 1t

Saint Charles Theatre.

Italian Opera Night.

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 14, 1836.

Will be performed the favorite opera of

NORMA.

Composed by Bellini.

Pollion,	Signor Montresor.
Oroveso,	de Rosa.
Flavio,	Sapignoli.
Norma,	Signora Pedrotti.
Adalgisa,	Murozzi.
Clotilde,	Thilman.

American Theatre.

CAMP STREET.

MISS RUSSELL, the Unrivalled in the

YOUTHFUL QUEEN.

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 15, 1836.

Will be presented the Comedy of

JOHN BULL.

Dennis Brulgruddery,	Mr Wills
Job Thornberry,	Russell
Lady Caroline	Mrs Russell

MRS KEPPELL will sing "By my Roses."

To conclude with the drama of the

YOUTHFUL QUEEN.

Queen of Sweden, Miss Russell.

Union Insurance Company.

THE books of subscription for the capital stock of this company, will be opened on Friday the 22d day of April, at the banking house of the Atchafalaya Railroad and Banking Company, and continue open for twenty days.

THOMAS BANKS,
SAMUEL THOMPSON,
J. P. FRERET,
LEON MAUDUY,
P. M. TOUCHE,
WM STRONG,
A. DESMARES,
CHARLES A. JACOBS.
THOMAS C. CASH,

} Commissioners.

ap 11-1m

NOTICE.—The partnership heretofore existing under the firm of Daymer & Lemoine, was dissolved on the 15th February last. The undersigned par ners declare they do not owe any body, either by account current or by notes.

Persons who are indebted to the subscribers are requested to call immediately and settle their accounts at No 179 Bourbon st DAUMER,

ap 13-3t P. LEMOINE.

THE CREDITORS of widow Baptiste St Amand and of Baptiste St Amand, are hereby requested to furnish their credential titles, either to Charles Derbigny, Esq, or to B. LE BRETON,

ap 13 37 Toulouse st

Office of the New Orleans Insurance Co.

New Orleans, April 11th, 1836.

AN election for nine Directors of this institution will take place on Monday the 25th ins, between 10 o'clock A M, and 2 P M. The Stockholders are requested to attend. AUG. ST MARTIN,

ap 12-12t Secretary.

HOOD'S TRUSS—For the cure of Hernia or Rupture—Dr Warren, respectfully informs the public, that being under the necessity of leaving town for a few months, he has obtained the consent of Dr Pierre, No 19 Bourbon street, to apply said truss during his absence, and would therefore refer all applications for treatment to his care. ap 12-2t

To Let—The elegant three story brick house, lately occupied by Mrs Eliza Baldwin deceased, at the corner of Carondelet and Hevia streets. The building is all one, handsomely finished, commodious and well adapted for a large family. Apply to

HENRY CARLETON.

ap 12-3t

For Freight or Charter—The fine fast sailing brig SYRENE, Pendleton master, burthen 328 tons, having excellent accommodations for passengers For terms apply to

ap 12 JNO A. PECK, 29 bienville st

FOR HAVANA, on Wednesday, the fine packet brig SARAH, Farmer, master, having superior accommodation for six more passengers. For particulars, apply to the master on board, opposite Jefferson st, or to

ap 12 R GRONING & co.

For Tampico—The fast sailing schooner ATLANTIC, Capt Anderson, is ready to receive cargo for the above port. For freight or passage apply to

ap 12 MATEO FIOL, 82 Bienville st

To Let—Store No 21 Old levee street between Custom house and Bienville streets, for terms apply to

ap 12 J. EVANS & Co. 10 Chartres st

Passage for Portsmouth, N. H.

The ship DUBLIN PACKET will take a few passengers for the above port. Apply to the Captain on board, near the Levee Cotton Press.

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FOR MOBILE—The fast sailing schr Aurora, Harting master, having the greater part of her cargo engaged, will be despatched immediately. Apply on board, or to

a 15 WILLIAM BRYAN, 36, Old Levee.

FOR LIVERPOOL—The fine A I copper fastened and copper fastened British Barque Madrass, H Thornton master, will sail for the above port on Saturday next. For passage only, she has very superior accommodations for two or three passengers, apply to the Captain on board, three tiers below the lower Cotton Press, or to

WILLIAM VANCE,

a 15 18 Custom-house st.

FOR GIBRALTAR AND MALAGA.—The Spanish ship Constantia, Capt. TOTOSAUS, will sail for the above ports on the first days of the present month.—For passage or freight apply to Mr A M de Miranda & Co, 86 St Louis st

a 15—8 t

For Mobile (daily line)

The United States Mail packet LIONESS, will leave THIS DAY at 2 P M. Passengers must be at the Railroad in season to get a 2 o'clock cars. For freight or passage apply to TOURNE & BECKWITH,

28 & 29 New levee.

Dinner served on board at 3 o'clock. ap 15

For Louisville, Cincinnati and all intermediate landings—The well known steamer ROMER, Gay master, having part of her cargo engaged, will have immediate despatch. For freight or passage, having superior accommodations for cabin and deck passengers, apply on board, or to TOURNE & BECKWITH,

a 15 28 & 29, New Levee.

For Louisville, Cincinnati and all intermediate landings—The new and splendid steamer BEAUMONT, Long master, having part of her cargo ready to go on board, will have immediate despatch. For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply on board, or to TOURNE & BECKWITH,

a 15 28 & 29 New Levee

For Vicksburg, Natchez, Lake Providence and intermediate landings—The well known steamer ABEONA, Wright master, having nearly all of her cargo engaged will leave on Saturday 16th inst. For freight or passage apply on board, or to

TOURNE & BECKWITH,

ap 13 28 & 29 New levee

DR. F. LACROIX, being about to visit for Europe has appointed Mr I. Pitts, of this city, his agent and has entrusted him with general powers during his absence. ap 14-6t

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THE BEE.

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NEW-ORLEANS:

FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 15, 1836.

FOR PRESIDENT

M. VAN BUREN.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

RICHARD M. JONSON.

☞ We have again to notice a large and valuable sale of Real Estate to be made this day, Friday 15th ins., at 12 o'clock at the "Arcade Exchange," by Isaac L McCoy, Auctioneer.—It consists among other items, of a large portion of Mr Walden's handsome property situate in Tchoupitoulas, Girod & Commerce sts, particulars of which are given in an advertisment under our head of "auction sales." This property when once sold and divided among 15 or 20 respectable commercial houses, will of itself, constitute greatly to enhance its value, add to which, there cannot remain a doubt, that as soon as the wharves in front of Petersburg St Mary are completed, that they will be occupied by a large portion of the valuable shipping which now frequent our port, which together with the present extensive Steam boat, River, and upper country trade transacted in this immediate section, cannot fail to render it in the course of a few months, the most important and valuable part of our city. Persons therefore disposed to make an investment under such favourable circumstances, would do well to attend the sale, as a happy result, in case of a purchase, can scarcely be doubted.

The proceedings of the extra session of the city council on Wednesday are today published in full, on account of the importance of the subject to the citizens in general; and the ulterior results which may emanate from them. It will be perceived by any reflecting person, that after deducting the various sums paid or to be paid to the lawyers engaged in the late suit of the United States vs the corporation of New Orleans, very little will remain to be deposited in the sinking fund to redeem the debts of the city. All the municipalities and wards are therefore interested in the matter; and the responsibility has fortunately been transferred from from the central municipality by the supplementary law for the division of the city.

But this extended report has necessarily precluded the insertion of other matter.

TEXAS.—We publish today a circular issued by Gen' Houston of the Texian army; and a requisition made on the governor of this state by General Gaines for a brigade. But we have no further intelligence of movement from Texas.

We learn that the Gaslight bank will in future pay in the notes of the United States bank, as well as its own.

According to a statement furnished by the collector of this port, it appears that the value of the exports of domestic produce from New Orleans, between the 1st of January and 31st of March of this year—that is, for the first quarter of 1836, amounts to,—

In American vessels to foreign countries,	$7,829,863
In foreign, do.	3,275,568
Coastwise in American vessels	4,771,070
	$15,895,442

As expected, we have received an answer to our remarks on the Globe, in the Courier of yesterday; for the latter has been so long accustomed to follow suit, that it dares not diverge from the emanations of the Washington guide and check, even should the local institutions of Louisiana be wantonly assailed.

But we have no idea of playing second fiddle to any journal; nor of being denied the freedom of thought, of speech and the press. It is the duty of an honest and intelligent journalists to admonish as well as advise and if we believe any act is calculated to militate against the interests and principles of the democratic party, we shall so state.

An attack on one of our local banks by any journal; ist in Washington or any of the Atlantic cities, is calculated to injure its credit abroad and affect it at home; hence have we mildly remonstrated against such an uncalled for assault on the Gaslight bank—precisely as we would, were it made on the Union, Citizens, Commercial, Consolidated or any other bank: for being local establishments, all are therefore alike to us: But pray what have the politics of the general administration to do with any of these—indeed with the banking or insurance establishments of any states? Whatever is within the jurisdiction of Congress or the national government, is legitimately subjected to the ken and action of the national parties; but no more. The reserved rights of the states belong entirely and exclusively to the states themselves: and none out of any state have a right to interfere in their exercise. Why does not the Courier assail those principles, if it can and let us see how and why we differ?

But the Bee is charged with having formerly censured the Gaslight bank, and with being now its advocate. This is a false view. We have censured the Gaslight bank, solely because its directors had not contracted with the corporation for lighting the streets of New Orleans, agreeably to the injunction of their charter; but in no other point of view. Nor have we now advocated farther than as we would any other state institution, that has been wantonly assailed from without. Formerly we wrote to require the fulfilment of a contract, not to denounce the bank, nor injure its credit or interests in any other manner; and now to protect is not to advocate. The Gaslight bank requires not our mere advocacy; it deserves our support and our praise, since its present directors came into office. Yet did circumstances require, we would as freely censure it now as formerly.

The opinions that we have hitherto uttered on this subject are those of every enlightened citizen of both the national parties; and we would prefer joining the ranks of the intelligent to those of the vituperative and ignorant. That the democratic party are resolved to sacrifice state rights and local institutions to gratify political mania, we cannot believe; and must therefore support such rights and institutions, while supporting the principles and candidates of that party. We are perfectly honest and sincere in our opinions; and as firmly resolved to maintain them.

And should the question be hereafter agitated whether one of our local banks be permitted to become an agency of the last Pennsylvania bank, we shall discuss it with equal freedom and firmness—whether the proposal be made by or to the Union, Gaslight, Citizens or any other bank. It is a question of state policy; and belongs exclusively to the legislature and citizens of this state.

HEAD QUARTERS, West of Brazos,
21st March, 1836.

To the People of the East of Brazos:

My Encampment is preparing on the west of Brazos, where I shall wait for some supplies and reinforcements. My inclination never has been to cross the Brazos, and the false reports spread are by men who have basely deserted the army of Texas. Let men from the east press on to the army, and cross over at Groces. If men will, with the present force we can defeat and capture the enemy. The army of the enemy has been represented at 10 to 30,000 men, when indeed it never has exceeded 3 or 4,000 in Texas, and the force that attacked Col. Fannin was only 1500, and he had only 320 men. They fought him in the Prairies, where he had no water, and where they surrounded him. Their cavalry are not as numerous as stated, and their infantry are men pressed into service, and convicts from prison—their army is incumbered with women and children. Let the men of the east come to our aid, and bring all deserters with them. Aid from the United States is landing on our coast. Capt. Brown with one of our vessels has taken a Mexican vessel, with 420 bbls flour, 300 kegs powder, and other supplies for the army. My spies report the enemy within a few miles of San Felipe, 800 or 1000 men only, and only 80 cavalry. We will whip them soon. The citizens of San Felipe, when they heard it rumored that the enemy had crossed the Colorado, immediately set fire to their own houses and reduced the town to ashes Let the people not be any longer in dread of danger if the men will turn out like men.

SAM'L HOUSTON, Com. in Chief.

COPY.

HEAD QUARTERS, WESTERN DEPARTMENT.
Natchitoches, La. 8th April, 1836.

SIR—The war in Texas, which has of late assumed a sanguinary and savage aspect, has induced the President of the United States to require a considerable augmentation of regular force to be concentrated upon this section of the national frontier, to which my attention has been particularly directed. He deems it to be the duty of the United States to remain entirely neutral, and to cause their neutrality to be respected—*peculiarly so particularly forcibly if necessary.*

The 23d article of the Treaty with Mexico requires both the contracting parties to prevent "by force all hostilities and incursions on the part of the Indian nations living within their respective boundaries, so that the United States of America will not suffer their Indians to attack the citizens of the Mexican States, &c".

The provisions of this article I am particularly instructed to cause to be enforced, and I have, pursuant to instructions, taken measures to make known to the various Indian tribes inhabiting that portion of the United States bordering upon the Mexican territory, on the waters of the Red and Arkansas rivers, the determination of the government to prevent any hostile incursions into Texas, and have directed that the Chiefs be called upon to inculcate upon their people the necessity of carefully abstaining from any violation of the above mentioned engagements—and I have moreover informed them, pursuant to the orders of the President, that I would not hesitate to use the force at my disposal for the purpose of preventing any such designs.

I have learned from several of our citizens entitled to credit, that one Manuel Flores, a Mexican Spaniard, but for several years past a citizen of "Spanish town" in this State near the Sabine Ridge, has been lately commissioned by persons professing to act by the authority of the Mexican Government, for the purpose of enticing the Indians in the western prairies on our side of the boundary line, to join them in the war of extermination now raging in Texas: and that with this view, the Agent, Manuel Flores, accompanied by a stranger, has passed up the valley of the Red River, and has lately produced considerable excitement among the Caddo Indians. And I have very recently learned from several intelligent persons in Texas, and others who have lately been there, that many of our Indians have gone over to the Texas side of the line.

These facts and circumstances present to me the important question—whether I am to sit still and suffer these movements to be so far matured as to leave the white settlements on both sides of the line wholly within the power of these savages—or whether I ought not immediately to prepare the means for protecting the frontier settlements, and if necessary, compelling the Indians to return to their own homes and hunting grounds?

I cannot but decide in favor of the alternative which this question presents: for nothing can be more evident than that an Indian war, commencing on either side of the line, will as surely extend to both sides, as that a lighted quick-match thrust into one side of a powder magazine would extend the explosion to both sides.

But I am without mounted men, the only description of force which will enable me to interpose an efficient check to the daily increasing danger which every intelligent citizen with whom I have conversed upon the subject, apprehends. And apprehending as I do that the loss of a month, which it would require to submit the case to the decision of the President of the United States, might prove fatal to a large portion of the frontier inhabitants, I have determined to solicit of your Excellency a brigade, to consist of two or three battallions of volunteers—as many to be mounted as practicable—to repair to the place as soon as may be convenient, companies or battallions to receive their arms and camp equipments at New Orleans and Baton Rouge. There may be eight or ten companies to a battalion.

Should the war in Texas be brought to a close without the apprehended Indian hostilities, the volunteers will be discharged forthwith.

With perfect respect, I have the honor to be

Your obed't serv't,
(Signed) EDMUND P. GAINES.
Major General Commanding.

To His Excellency, EDWARD D. WHITE,
Governor of the State of Louisiana, N. Orleans.

CITY COUNCIL.

SITTING OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1836.

Members present: Messrs Schmidt, High, Labatut, Thomas, Pichot, Gaiennié, Caldwell and Allard.

In the absence of the Recorder Mr Thomas was called to the chair and elected by ballot President *pro tempore*.

The journal of the last sitting being read and approved, the council took into consideration the last article of the following message from the Mayor, upon which there had previously been no action.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW ORLEANS, 13th APRIL, 1836.

The President and Members of the city council.

GENTLEMEN—The time for which the lists bearing the names of voters in each of the three municipalities were to remain publicly exposed in each district, having expired to day, I should like, in conformity to section 6th of the law of 8th March last, transmit these lists to the respective councils which are created by this law: but as it is impossible to proceed in this manner, since the election can take place but according to these same lists, I have determined to transmit them to you in order that you may determine the number of aldermen to which every district of each municipality will be entitled. All the errors committed in the formation of these lists and which have been pointed out to me, have been corrected on the original lists deposed in the city archives.

The city council being obliged, in conformity with the said laws relative to the city corporation, to appoint the places in which the polls will be kept for the general elections of the mayor, recorder and aldermen, you will have to designate these places by an ordinance and appoint at the same time the inspectors and secretary attending each poll, in order that the same may be publicly announced in the proclamation which it is my duty to issue.

I received this morning only, from Duncan H Hennen, Esq., clerk of the United States, district court, a letter which I transmit for your consideration.

I am respectfully, Gentlemen.
D. PRIEUR, Mayor.

On motion of Mr Pichot—

The following documents relative to the last article of the Mayor's letter were read by the secretary.

NEW ORLEANS, April 11th, 1836.

To the Hon Denis Prieur, Mayor, etc.

SIR: I have the honor of informing you that the mandate of the Supreme Court of the United States, whereby the proceeds of the property sold on the 23d January, 1834, and there in litigated between the corporation and the United States, have been decreed to belong to the corporation, have been received

By an order of court made on the 8th instant, a copy of which is enclosed, I have been directed to withdraw and pay over to the corporation or their authorised agent the notes and money now in bank and in pursuance to the said order, I have this day paid over to John R Grymes, Esq, your agent and attorney, by an ordinance of the 11th Dec, 1833, the sum of sixty-four thousand six hundred and ninety-two 10-000 dollars, cash, being six per cent only of the proceeds and interest accrued to this day.

Mr Grymes having declined to receive the balance, I take this opportunity of informing you that I am ready to pay over the balance of notes and money in my possession to the corporation or their authorised agent.

I am, etc, DUNCAN N. HENNEN,
Clerk of the U S Dist Court E D of La.

District Court of the United States, Eastern District of Louisiana.

Friday, 8th April, 1836. Special Court. Present the Hon Samuel H Harper.

The United States vs. the Mayor, Aldermen and inhabitants of New Orleans } No 2179.

Upon the exhibition of the mandate of the Supreme Court of the United States and filed in this case by which the amount of money in controversy between the aforesaid parties has been decreed in favor of the defendants in this case, it is ordered that the proceeds of the sale of the lots heretofore sold in the city of New Orleans in pursuance of the agreement of the parties aforesaid in the Commercial and City Banks of New Orleans, shall be paid to the defendants in this case or to their authorized agent, so much money as may have been received by the said banks respectively; and also to deliver to the said defendants or their agent, the notes now in deposite; and it is further ordered, that the clerk of the court of the United States for the Eastern district of Louisiana, is hereby authorized and directed to withdraw the said money and notes from the banks aforesaid for the purpose of paying the same over to the party defendant, and it is finally ordered that this order be entered on the record of said court.

(Signed) SAM'L H. HARPER,
Judge.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original on record in my office. Witness my hand and the seal of the court, this 11th day of April, 1836.

[L. S.] T. N. COLLINS,
Deputy Clerk, Dist. Court, La.

Mr Pichot offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor be authorised to institute a suit against the City Bank and the Commercial Bank for the recovery of the monies deposited in these banks in behalf of the city and the United States, which are to be delivered to the corporation by virtue of a decree of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr Pichot says in offering this resolution, he does not think it positively necessary in the present circumstances, but he will take this opportunity of speaking on a very important question, in which the interests of the city have been risked and shamefully sacrificed.

The council having dispensed with their rules, and on motion being made to adopt said resolution—

Mr Pichot supported the motion. The question is one of the greatest importance to the city of New Orleans; it is one where fraud is evident; where the community has been disappointed of a part its revenue, and the rest left to whoever might be willing to take it.

A suit was pending between the New Orleans corporation and the general government about certain grounds to which each party thought themselves entitled. In the meantime, a compromise was agreed on, by virtue of which the lots and ground were exposed at public sale, adjudged to individual purchasers and the proceeds deposited in local banks, subject to the decree of the Supreme Court of the United States had determined which of the parties was entitled to said grounds. This decree was rendered in favor of the city of New Orleans. Mark the proceedings of the United States District Court, after that judgment. Another decree was rendered, not to be just mentioned or read, by which the proceeds of the sale awarded to the corporation are displaced in the hand of the clerk of the court, to be by him paid and distributed to whom, when and how he may think fit. Was it the duty of the court to render such a decree? Upon fraud has been committed, let it be proved on what motion it was rendered; let the name be given of the lawyer who signed the latest the request for this order. In looking over the docket, no motion is to be found. What can the conclusion be? There was indeed fraud, the most shameful fraud.

The honorable alderman proceeded to read the decree—"It is ordered &c." Ordered! but on whose motion? Is it not customary, is it not legal in our courts of justice to mention either the lawyer or the party who enters a motion to solicit an order? Who solicited this decree? I cannot tell; nobody seems to have solicited it; for no name is recorded on the docket. The U S court has acted in the most arbitrary manner. It has by this decree overstepped the limits of its powers and has put the disposition of an individual's million of dollars which he could as easily remove as he gave his check for the payment of Mr Grymes' salary.

I am, it is true, ignorant of the particular regulations by which the United States district court is governed; but I know those of other courts; I know the inviolable principles of right and justice by which justice is administered in every part of the civilized world. The council of this city knows that a committee has been appointed to order such payments as would appear equitable and due. Why then should the court issue the order? Why this intermediate agent between the corporation and the committee of the council? The order is illegal because it is rendering on a matter over which the U S court had no control whatever.

Let it be supposed however, that the order was legal, what must be thought of the proceedings of the clerk? Has he not done what the order can never justify?—The honorable member read the decree. The duty of the clerk was to pay over to the defendants in this case the proceeds of the public sale deposited in the banks under the name of both parties. Is there any thing which could authorise him to pay Mr Grymes the amount of his claim? If the order of the court be legal, was it not his duty to pay over to the corporation the sum in full which had been placed in his safe keeping? The corporation only could pay their lawyers. Who were in this suit the attorneys of the corporation? They were MM. Moreau Lislet, and Etienne Mazureau; Mr Grymes, on the contrary, was employed for the United States.

What has been done cannot now be undone; who will be held responsible for the sum taken from the city funds? the court, the clerk, or Mr Grymes? Will not rather the banks who paid on an illegal order be held accountable? This question will be decided by a jury. As for me, the banks in my opinion are alone to answer for this sum of money. I know that Mr Grymes is entitled to a compensation, but to the council alone belongs the right to discuss, settle and order the payment. My object is to brand with infamy the conduct of the clerk of the district court, who dared thus to dispose of the city funds and distribute them as he pleased.

If I could so modify the resolution I offered, as to allow a commission to the clerk for having undertaken to act as agent for the corporation, I should offer him a suitable one, though his modesty and disinterestedness might suffer. But this is no petting matter. In the name of my constituents, of the whole population of this city, I solemnly declare that there has been a foul fraud in this transaction.

No individual had any right to constitute himself the agent of the corporation or to take at his disposal the city funds. But what is the recourse left to the council in these circumstances? No action can be instituted against Mr Hennen. Any individual can draw on any bank of this city or issue his checks; to the banks alone belong the right of rejecting or accepting the draft.—The money paid illegally cannot be charged to the account of its owner who did not sign the order of payment. The City and Commercial banks will be held responsible for the whole sum—no matter what they may have paid off on presentation of illegal checks or orders. The city cannot lose a single dollar of that sum deposited in these banks: there is a precedent in the same case. The supreme court of this state sentenced once a sheriff to pay again a certain sum which he had paid off on an illegal order. Let it be however well understood that the blame and infamy of such a transaction will fall on the heads of those who were really guilty of it.

Mr Labatut wants to know who is the Mr Duncan N Hennen, who has paid to Mr Grymes, in the name and for account of the New Orleans corporation, a certain sum of money deposited in the Commercial and City banks? How could an order signed by Mr Hennen be paid off by these banks, when it is to the knowledge of every citizen that the proceeds of the sale of lots were deposited, jointly under the name of Mr Prieur and Mr Lee. How could they legally pay, unless the check bore the joint signatures of the above named gentlemen.

Perhaps Mr Duncan H Hennen thought that in acting as the agent of the corporation, he would be entitled, in pursuance of a law of Louisiana, to a commission of 2 1-2 per cent on the whole sum. This may have been his principal and indeed only motive.

It is high time, however, that a stop be put to all the evils heaped on the state by the U S district court; to all these shameless transactions which have hitherto been left unpunished. Mr Hennen has thought proper, without a shadow of right on his part, to draw a sum of $64,692 10, off the city funds; what can hinder him now from drawing a further sum of $30,000 as the amount of his commission. Let no expense be thought of or spared; this transaction must be sifted out and exposed, no matter what it may cost. The honorable aldermen will vote for the resolution.

Mr Pichot: Before the resolution be put to vote, I wish to offer the following amendment:

Resolved, that 4 per cent on the nett produce of the selling of the lots which were in dispute between the city and the United States, be paid to Stephen Mazureau, esq. as a compensation for the services he rendered as attorney in said suit, as soon as their nett produce shall have been collected by the city; and that 5 per cent be paid on the same conditions to the heirs of Mr Louis Moreau Lislet, as a compensation for services by him rendered as attorney in said suit.

Though but lately admitted in the council, says the honorable alderman, I have resided in this city for 18 years, and it may be inferred, I have some knowledge of its affairs. To Mr Mazureau is altogether owed the gain of the suit. He alone undertook to search all the old Spanish and French laws, in the hope of finding positive dispositions to prove beyond any doubt the right of the city to the lands claimed. Success attended his efforts, and he produced a most elaborate and judicious argument on the question at issue. It is true he did not go to Washington, but such was his agreement with the corporation. Though he did not plead and display his well known eloquence, still the benefit felt his powerful reasoning, and yielded only to the force of his legal knowledge the decree in favor of our city.

If I do not ask for Mr Moreau Lislet the same salary awarded to Mr Mazureau, my only motive is that this gentleman's demise, in the very outset of the suit, suspended his labors, and his heirs are only entitled to a compensation for his actual services.

Mr High, though well disposed to support Mr Mazureau's claims in the suit, thinks the present time is not favorable to introduce them. The only portion which the council should now decide, is on withdrawing the city funds from the hands of unfaithful agents. Mr Hennen's conduct is truly infamous; the council should not hesitate to brand it with the stigma it richly deserves.

In consequence, Mr High proposes an amendment to the first resolution; but as no member rises to support it, that amendment is not put to vote.

Mr Gaiennié thinks the question has been discussed but not to the point. The amendment offered by the member from the 4th ward, (second resolution will guest his support if the council will adopt this proviso: That the Mayor be authorised to make a suit against John R Grymes, to recover the sum of $64,692 10, which he has received without any rights. This proviso will meet the views of the council, for however infamous may they thought the conduct of Mr Hennen, it must be recollected he was but an instrument. As to the banks, it is a question whether they can be held to account. But if Grymes has acted with full knowledge in this case, and the funds are or have been in his possession. The honorable alderman concluded by saying he will vote for the resolution and amendment of his colleague of the 4th ward, together with the above proviso.

The council does not take this proviso into consideration, as no member rises to support the motion.

Mr Schmidt thinks that the resolutions now before the council require some modifications to become entirely satisfactory. He proposes the following subamendment, which he thinks will ensure the unanimous vote of the council:

Resolved, that the mayor be and he is hereby authorized to receive such notes and money belonging to the city, and that are in possession of the clerk of the United States District Court, for the Eastern District of Louisiana, and to deposit the same in the bank with which the corporation keeps its accounts; Provided, however, that this resolution shall not be constructed so as to discharge either the aforesaid clerk, nor any bank in this city from the responsibility they may have incurred for having illegally paid any portion of the sums or notes belonging to the city.

Mr Schmidt enters into some explanations about the suit and the services of the lawyers engaged for the corporation. This gives rise to a desultory discussion; which he interupted by a decision from the chair that the debate is not in order, as it does not bear on the question; that is to say, on the sub-amendment offered by the alderman of the 1st ward, Mr Schmidt.

On motion, The resolutions with both amendments is adopted.

On motion of Mr Allard, the council adjourns until Saturday next, at 3 o'clock.

BY AUTHORITY.

AN ACT

Relative to the city of Lafayette and to the police jury of the parish of Jefferson.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the state of Louisiana in general assembly convened, That from and after the promulgation of this act, the city of Lafayette shall no longer be entitled to a representation in the police jury of the parish of Jefferson, and the authority of the police jury of the parish of Jefferson within the limits of the city of Lafayette shall cease and determine, and that the president and board of counsil of said city shall be subrogated to, and exercise within said city, in addition to their present authority, all the powers heretofore vested in the said police jury.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, etc. That it shall be the duty of the said police jury annually to ascertain the amount, or proportion, payable by the city of Lafayette for the building, repairing and supporting of a public jail, and for the rent of the courthouse of said parish, according to existing laws, that the said amount shall be ascertained by the votes of two-thirds of the members of the police jury; and in taking said votes, the ayes and nays shall be given, and shall be registered on the journal of said jury: that the resolution thus passed shall specify the amount due as aforesaid, and the items composing the same; and after being duly certified, the said resolution shall be transmitted to the president and board of council of the city of Lafayette, who shall thereupon make an appropriation to pay the same into the parish treasury, out of the funds of said city.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, etc. That should there be any surplus remaining of the parish taxes now assessed after the payment of the debts and obligations due by the said parish, the proportion of such surplus to which said city may be entitled, shall be reimbursed by the said police jury to the city treasurer, and such proportion shall be ascertained by the votes of two-thirds of the members of said jury, to be taken and registered as prescribed in the second section of this act.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, etc. That the city council of the said city shall have authority to lay and collect a tax, five members of said board consenting, not exceeding ten thousand dollars ($10,000) in any one year on lands, houses and slaves, within the limits of the said city (observing equality in the assessment thereof) without being restricted to the double of the state tax, as provided in the 1st section of an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Lafayette," approved February 17th, 1824.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, etc, That the said board shall have the power to appoint at the period at which the assessors of state taxes are annually appointed according to law, such number of assessors as they may deem proper, to assess the taxes which the president and board of council of said city are authorised to impose; and the said assessors, after being duly sworn, shall make out an accurate and distinct list, of the immovable and landed property in said city subject to said tax, together with the amount to which each portion of said property is respectively liable, and the compensation of said assessors shall be determined by the said board, and shall be paid out of the funds of said city.

Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, etc, That the said assessors thus appointed shall exercise the same powers, as by law are vested in the assessors of state taxes, and that in default of payment of the said taxes within the period which the said president and board of council shall prescribe; the said board is authorised to bring suit before any competent court, against all persons in default for said taxes, together with eight per cent interest on the amount thereof from the day on which the same shall be due; no costs to have been paid: provided, however, that whenever the said taxes shall be due by persons who do not reside in the city of Lafayette, or when the owners or agents of property liable to said tax, are unknown, and have not registered their titles in the office of the parish judge of the parish of Jefferson agreeably to law, the said president and board of council, in such cases are authorised to take the usual legal proceedings in rem against said property, before any competent court, and to have the property subject to such tax seized and sold for the payment thereof, after a previous notice of their intention to take such proceedings shall have been inserted three times in a newspaper printed in the city of Lafayette (should there be one) and three times in a newspaper printed in New Orleans, during ten days, in the English and French languages, said publication to be at the expense of the property owing said tax.

Sec. 7. Be it further enacted, etc, That the said president and board of council are hereby authorised and empowered to borrow for the use of said city, five members of said board consenting, such sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, as they may deem necessary for the purpose of paving and lighting such street or streets, in said city, as the president and board of council may by ordinance determine, and for that purpose the said board is authorised to negotiate for said loan with any individual or individuals, or any public body, and to issue bonds or such other securities for the repayment of said sum of money thus borrowed, as they may think proper.

Sec. 8. Be it further enacted, etc, That whenever any works or repairs shall have been made by the president and board of council of said city, or by any person or persons under the ordinances of said board, upon banquettes or sidewalks, bridges, ditches, streets or levees, in said city, several owners of the property adjoining, or in front of which the said works or repairs have been made, shall be liable for the payment thereof, as shall also the said property; and when the owners of property or their agents do not reside, and have no authorised agent within the limits of said city, and have failed to make registry of their property in the office of the parish judge of the parish of Jefferson according to law; in such cases the said president and board of council, or any person or persons doing said works or repairs, under the ordinances of said board, in order to render effectual the privilege which they have on said property, may institute proceedings in rem against the same, and said property after the formalities of law have been complied with, may be seized and sold for the payment of said claims.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, etc, That the said president and board of council shall have power to prevent the stoppage or obstruction of the streets, levee and public roads of the city, and to adopt such regulations for that purpose and for the removal of all buildings or obstructions on the levees or public roads of said city; as may not be inconsistent with laws of the state of Louisiana; and also to impose such fines and penalties for breaches of said regulations as they may think proper; provided the said fines shall not exceed one hundred dollars for each and every contravention, and the said president and board of council shall have the entire control of the public levee in front of said city, and shall also have the power to repair, alter or enlarge the said levee, or if necessary for the safety of the inhabitants, to make a new levee in front of any part of said city, in accordance with the laws of the state on that subject.

(Signed) ALCEE LABRANCHE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) C. DERBIGNY,
President of the Senate.

Approved, March 12th, 1836.
(Signed) E. D. WHITE,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

MARINE NEWS.

PORT OF NEW ORLEANS.

CLEARED.

Ship Huntsville, Palmer, New York, Bein & Cohen.
Ship Calcutta, Myrburgh, Stockholm, A Lanfeur.
Brig Argo, Baker, Baltimore, J W Zacharie & co.
Brig Augusta, Curtis, Richmond, L H Gale.
Brig Horace, Foss, Marseilles, L H Gale.
Schr Charles, Brower, Charleston, S B Allen, master.
Schr Magellan, Mallory, Fort Brook, master.
Schr Creole, Caro, Pensacola, master.
Schr Lewis Jones, Noyes, Apalachicola, master.
Sloop Huntsman, Hedgeley, Pensacola, master.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Kentuckian, Dawson, Cincinnati.
Steamer Yallabousha, Wilson, Tchula.
Steamer Superior, Wheaton, Cincinnati.
Steamer Caspian, Kimball, Natchitoches.
Steamer Bayou Sara, Lamb, Bayou Sara.
Steamer Majestic, Sparhawk, Beardstown, Ill. R.
Steamer Revenue, Lott, Lafourche.
Steamer Columbia, Clark, Bayou Sara.
Steamer Yazoo, Auter, Manchester.

IMPORTS.

Cincinnati—Per steamer Kentuckian—91 pkgs & 9 boxes castings, Lescher & Thompson; 125 bbls whiskey, 34 bbls bacon, 6 bbls & 6 firkins butter,