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TUESDAY, Feb. 19, 1850.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. On the roll being called, a quorum was present. The Speaker laid before the House, a communication from the Hon. A. D. Crossman, asking for a modification of the laws, in relation to wharfage.

On motion, the same was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The following gentlemen introduced the following petitions, which on being read, were referred to the appropriate Committees.

Mr. Jackson—Petition of certain citizens of the Parish of Calcasieu, asking that a line may be run between the Parishes of Calcasieu and Rapides.

Mr. Bailey—Petition of John Searle, praying for relief.

Mr. Cornay—Petition of certain citizens of the Parish of St. Mary, asking for relief.

Mr. Deverges—Petition of Victor Dejore praying for relief.

Mr. Caldwell—Petition of Charles A. Jacobs, in relation to recused cases.

Mr. Wilder—Petition of the N. O. Catholic Association, for the relief of male orphans.

Mr. Caldwell—Petition of Francis Freiner, for relief.

Petition of George Levy and others, praying they may be allowed to change their names.

Mr. Wilder—Memorial of Patrick Flinn, praying for relief.

Mr. King—Memorial of Calixte Rougeont, praying for relief.

The following members introduced the following resolutions

Mr. Arceneaux—*Resolved*, that the Committee on Public Education, be requested to examine whether it would not be necessary to pass a law to pay hereafter, persons serving as school directors throughout this State, and to report either by bill or otherwise, on the subject.

On motion, the same was adopted.

Mr. Haynes—*Resolved* that the Chairman on Contingent Expenses be, and he is hereby directed to inform this House by what authority the members have been furnished with Pen knives, and whether it is to be at the expense of the State.

On motion, the same was adopted.

Mr. Caldwell—Whereas, it is of essential importance to the State of Louisiana, as well as the other States lying in the great Valley of the Mississippi, to be well acquainted with all the peculiarities of this River:

Be it therefore Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, &c. That our Senators and Representatives in Congress, be requested to use their influence to have an accurate topographical and hydrographical survey of the River, made by the United States Corps of Topographical Engineers, from the mouth of the Ohio to the Balize, and that their report and a copy of their plats, &c. be furnished to the State of Louisiana to be deposited in the State Engineer's Office.

2 Be it Resolved, &c., That the said Engineers be also required to make examinations, and report on the practicability and importance of closing the superfluous mouths of the Mississippi, so as to deepen the channel, and also to afford estimates of the cost of the same.

Mr Larue, on behalf of the Finance Committee, submitted the following Report:

The Finance Committee to which was referred certain enquiries relative to the finances, respectfully reports:

1. That the balance in the Treasury on the 31st of December, 1849, applicable to the general wants of the State was $55,925,78

2. That appropriations outstanding and liable to be called for, exceed that sum, they amounted on the 31st December 1849, to 132,522,00

Leaving a deficit on that day of 76,696,22

3. That the expenses of the government for the year 1850 including the interest on the debt proper of the State, will be 513,612,00

The same for the year 1851, if there be no session of the Legislature, 430,422,00

Total, $944,034,00

4. The estimated receipts for 1850 from all sources, 648,127,00

The same for 1851, 443,127,00—$1,091,254,00

Balance, $147,220,00

5. If however, an extra session of the Legislature should be called, and it will probably be necessary for the purpose of apportioning the State under the new census, $70,000,00 will have to be added to the expenditure, which will reduce the balance in the Treasury on the 31st of December 1851 to $77,220,00

Whereas, deducting the deficit on the 31st December 1849, 76,696,22

Will leave a net balance of $523,78

6. In the above estimate of expenditures are included $5000 for pensions, $16,000 to the Charity Hospital, $10,000 for the Insane Asylum and $1,500 for tuition of the Deaf and Dumb, making $32,500 in all, but it includes none of the donations habitually made to Charitable Associations, Military corps, &c., nor any item except what is absolutely necessary for the proper of the government. Your Committee therefore represent that any appropriation for these purposes, without providing other means than is now possessed by the Treasury for their payment; or any large appropriation for any purpose, could not be paid.

7. The State debt consists of

Trust funds due on demand	$668,397,57
Due 1st June 1846 uncalled for	5,000,00
" 1st November 1855 -	50,000,00
" 1st June 1857 -	250,000,00
" 1st July 1859 -	51,000,00
" 1st April 1867 -	483,000,00
" 1st April 1869 -	166,000,00
" 1st December 1869 -	30,000,00
" 11th March 1870 -	50,000,00
" 23d May 1870 -	200,000,00
" 21st March 1878 -	125,000,00
	$1,918,397,57

Signed, JOHN C. LARUE, Chairman.

Mr. Larue, on behalf of the Finance Committee, reported the following entitled bill:

An act to make an appropriation for the salaries of the officers of the State from the 1st January to the 31st March, 1850, and for deficiency of appropriation for expenses in criminal prosecutions in 1849

Mr. King, on behalf of the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate entitled

An act for the prosecution and punishment of kidnapping of white persons.

Reported by a substitute under the following title,

An act to define and punish the crime of kidnapping

Mr Stanton, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled

An act to change the name of Samuel B. Aogmire.

Reported the same back to the House without amendments.

Mr. Lewis, on behalf of the Committee on the Penitentiary submitted the following report accompanied with bill under the following title.

An act concerning the Penitentiary.

Your committee have visited the Penitentiary and made careful inquiry into its management. In the spring of 1844 the Penitentiary was leased by the Governor to J. A. McHaton and William Pratt, for five years, commencing on the 1st October, 1844, and expiring on the 1st of October, 1849, at which time the present lessees took charge of the institution. The late lessees complied fully with their contract with the Governor, and laws of the State authorizing the lease of the Penitentiary, and your Committee are constrained to say that the plan of leasing the Penitentiary has succeeded well and operated beneficially. As a financial measure it has saved the State a heavy annual outlay, not having cost per cent for expenses or salaries of officers for the past five years.

The sum of $52,000 has been expended by the State for raising the walls of the prison yard, for the purchase of cotton and woollen machinery and for the erection of a very large cotton factory, besides the leasees were ordered and required by the board of Directors to expend considerable sums beyond the appropriation in consequence of the insufficiency of the building to receive the machinery when completed on the original plan, and for the purchase of additional machinery to complete the factory, which is now believed to be equal to any in use.

These improvements are permanent and add greatly to the value of the institution. The new machinery in of the best with manship, combining all the late improvements and is now in most excellent running condition, making daily 3000 yards of superior negro cotton and linseys, and your committee are of the opinion that this expenditure will yield a good interest to the State.

Your Committee in reference to the advantages of leasing the Penitentiary will call your attention to the annual amounts paid by the State in salaries of officers and maintenance of convicts for five years previous to the lease, as will appear by reference to the Treasurer's report for the years following.

In 1839 the expenses for these purposes were

In 1840	-	$34,395 00
In 1841	-	29,870 00
In 1842	-	23,965 00
In 1843	-	25,575 00
		39,641 90
		$148,526 90

Besides this amount entirely saved to the State, under the present system, the sum of $24,000 was expended during the same time for machinery, making a total of $172,526 90.

At the expiration of the late lease, an inventory was taken of the tools, machinery, manufactured articles and materials on hand, and an appraisement made of them by sworn appraisers, according to law. The tools and machinery returned by the lessees to the State greatly exceeded in value that which was received by them, and the excess of manufactured goods and materials over the amount received by lessees from the State, amounts to $6,968 90. The amount of goods and materials the State is required by law to take from the late lessees, amount to $94,067 20. The amount received by them, and for which they gave their bond, was $15,088 60. These goods are yet in the possession of the lessees, the Board of Directors considering themselves not interested with power to settle fully with the late lessees. By reference to document G, the profit for the last quarter, as nearly as can be ascertained of the new lease, in which the State is interested, is $4,204 69, showing clearly that the profits will be sufficient to protect the lessees in their guarantee to the State. By the provisions of the present contract, the State is to receive one-fourth of the net profits, and the lessees guarantee said profits not to be less than $4,000 annually. For further particulars, we refer you to the accompanying documents. The annual report made by the penitentiary Directors, together with statement of [illegible] and reports of Physician and Chaplain of the Institution is good and creditable to all the officers connected with the convicts are well treated, the prisoners furnished are abundant and wholesome the sick are constantly provided for in a neat and convenient Hospital, and the entire prison presents a air of neatness and cleanliness as pleasant to stand in similar institutions.

Your Committee are of opinion that a law should be passed, means to give the Board of Directors additional power, under the system of triennial sessions of the State Legislature, changes might be needed, upon which the General Assembly could not act. Hence it seems obvious, that there should be a discretion vested in the Directors to meet sudden emergencies and necessities, and to do such acts as the interests of the State might from time to time require, and they should be required to settle the acts of the State with the late lessees, and to settle annually with the present lessees, and see that the balance due, be promptly paid by them.

In accordance with these views, we beg leave to submit this report, and following bill.

R. H. LEWIS,
Chairman Penitentiary Committee.

On motion, the above report was ordered to be printed.

The following gentlemen, agreeably to previous notice, introduced the following bills:

On motion, the rules being dispensed with, they were read a second time by their titles, and referred to their appropriate Committees.

Mr. Lebeau—An act to receive the evidence of slaves in certain cases.

Mr. Wilder—An act to regulate the gangers of wines, spirits, oil, molasses, &c., in the city of New Orleans.

Mr. Barthe—An act to repeal No. 25 of the acts of 1841.

An act to provide for imprisonment in certain cases against officers of Court, and officers appointed by the same.

An act to protect the creditors in the cities of New Orleans and Lafayette against fraudulent transfers of certain moveable property.

An act for the relief of Nicholas Gischer.

Mr. Humbler—An act to amend an act entitled. An act for the organization and discipline of the Militia for the State of Louisiana, approved the 19th March 1842.

Mr. McCranie—An act to alter and amend the Police Jury in the parish of Jackson.

Mr. Jackson—An act for the relief of Nicholas Grania, a veteran of 1814—15.

Mr. Ragan—An act to donate lands to actual settlers.

An act to prevent tax on foreigners.

An act to remove the Mississippi Bar.

Mr. Caldwell—An act for the purchase of the patent right of Dr. Putnam's Dredging Machine, for the State of Louisiana.

Mr. Sargeant—An act for the relief of Jurors in the parish of Catahoula.

On motion, the same were referred to a special committee of three members.

The Speaker appointed on said Committee Messrs. Sargeant, Livingston and Calvet.

The following members gave notice that they would, on some future day, introduce the following enrolled bills:

Mr. Rivers—An act for the relief of the parish of Concordia.

Mr Sargeant—An act to repeal the 21 section of an act supplementary, relative to marriages passed the 10th March, 1844.

Mr. Morrow—An act for the relief of Thomas Kilgore.

Mr Wilder—An act for the relief of the Irish Emigrant Society of New Orleans.

By a message from the Senate, through their Assistant Secretary, Mr St. Colomb Davis, the concurrence of the House was requested in the following entitled bills:

An act for the relief of Jean Baptiste Dupont and Isidore Macarty Honore, veterans of 1815 and '15.

An act granting to Michael Torras and Jos. Torras, the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry across the Mississippi river, at Shreve's Cut Off, in the parish of Pointe Coupee, West Feliciana and Concordia.

An act for the relief of J. H. Cunningham.

An act for the relief of A. O. Lebeau.

An act to provide for the protection of persons and property against explosions of boilers on board of steam vessels plying in the waters of the State of Louisiana by competent engineers and to punish their negligence.

By the same message the House was informed that the Senate had concurred in the bill of the House, entitled

An act for the relief of A. S. Blackbern, for services rendered the State during the invasion of the British in 1814 and '15.

By the same message the House was informed that the President pro tem of the Senate had signed the bill of the House, entitled,

An act to incorporate the town of Vernon.

Mr. Laville, on behalf of the Committee of Enrollment, reported to the House as duly enrolled the following bills:

An act to authorize the city of Lafayette to contract for and negotiate a loan or loan of money for the purpose of extinguishing the present liabilities of said city, and providing the means of redeeming such loans.

An act to provide for the State Engineer to Levee Mill Bayou, in the parish of Avoyelles.

An act to provide for the payment of the members, officers and contingent expenses of the General Assembly, &c.

An act to create an additional Notary Public in the parish of Carroll.

The Speaker having signed the same, the clerk was directed to request the signature of the President of the Senate thereto.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

The House then took up the resolution instructing the Finance Committee to report an amendment to the revenue laws.

On motion, the same was made the special order of the day for Monday, 25th.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the following enrolled bills:

An act to take the sense of the people on the expediency of calling a Convention to amend the Constitution.

Mr Sever being called to the chair—after some time, the Committee rose and the Chairman, Mr. Sever, reported to the House, that the Committee of the Whole had had the above bill under consideration, and reported progress and asked leave to sit again on Monday, the 25th inst.

Mr. Larue offered the follow ng resolution:

Resolved, That the report of the Committee of the Whole be not adopted, and that this House do now proceed to the consideration of the Bill referred to the Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the same was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Moise, the Bill from the Senate, amending the Constitution, was ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Herron, the House then resolved itself into Commite of the Whole, for the consideration of the bill entitled:

An act to take the sense of the people of the expediency of calling a Convention to amend the Constitution.

Mr. Moise being called to the chair—after some time, the Committee rose and the Chairman Mr. Moise, reported to the House, that the Committee of the Whole had had the above bill under consideration, and had adopted the same with amendments.

On a motion to adjourn, Messrs. Hayes and Herron called for the ayes and noes. On the roll being called, it appeared that—

Messrs Aubert, Anacker, Anderson, Barilleau, Bailey, Coco, Calvert, Dreux, Gerique, Gosselin, Gill, Jamison, King, Laville, Feig, Winfree and Watts—17 ayes, voted in the affirmative; and the

Messrs Abney, Arceneux, Auch, Blake, Bettis, Boatner, Bailey, Barthe, Barkdale, Babin, Caldwell, Deverges, Favrot, Griffin, Gaspier, Humble, Herron, Haynes, Hudspeth, Harry, Jackson, Larue, Lewis, Livingston, Lanaux, Lebeau, Morrow, McCranie, McMichael, Moise, Marks, Ougustin, Paxton, Pugh, Perkins, Rivers, Ragan, Ronquillo, Richie, Sever, Stanton, Sargent, Shannon, Watts, White, Wilson, and Wright—37 noes, voted in the negative.

Consequently, said motion was lost.

Mr. Haynes moved that the Report of the Committee of the Whole be made the special order of the day for Thursday next.

Pending and that motion, on motion of Mr. Caldwell, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 10 o'clock.

BY AUTHORITY.

(No. 55.)
AN ACT

Giving to Police Jurors the exclusive right to establish Ferries and Toll Bridges.

Sec. 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 passage of this act, the Police Jurors of the several parishes (Orleans and the Parishes of Orleans and Jefferson excepted) shall have the exclusive privilege of licensing and establishing Ferries and Toll Bridges, within their respective limits, to fix the rates of ferriage and toll to be charged therefor, and generally regulating the police of the same: Provided, however, that this privilege shall not extend to any ferries, or bridges, already established, after the expiration of their charters, nor to any ferries or bridges within the corporate limits of municipal corporations: Provided, further, that no Police Jury shall have the right to license ferries for a longer period than one year at one time.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That it shall be the right of the Police Jury to have the letting of all ferries advertised thirty days, in each Ward of the respective Parishes, and that it shall be the duty of the Police Jury, to the highest bidder for the term of one year, provided, when over three in a single paper published in any Parish in this State, such advertisement shall be published in such newspaper.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, &c., That where steam is used to propel the ferry boats, the Police Jury shall then have the right to lease for the term of five years.

PRESTON W. FARRAR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

C. G. HAYNE,
Lt. Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved March 6th, 1850.

JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

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CHARLES GAYARRE,
Secretary of State.

(No. 56.)
AN ACT

To amend certain sections of an act relative to the building of levees in the Parish of Texas, and to create a special fund for levee purposes, and enforce the collection of the same.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the third section of an act, entitled an act relative to the building of levees in the Parish of Texas and to create a special fund for levee purposes, approved the sixteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty eight, be amended as follows:—Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, &c., That said Police Jury shall annually appoint in each levee ward two commis-loners whose duty it shall be once in conjunction with the inspector, in laying of new levees in their respective wards, and annual and inspector at other times when the same shall be necessary, or in case of absence or resignation on the part of the inspector, they shall perform all the duties belonging to the inspector, in a commission to be appointed, or until said inspector shall return to the performance of his duties; and before entering upon their duties, said commissioners shall take and subscribe an oath to faithfully perform all duties incumbent upon them as levee commissioners, and shall receive a compensation two dollars per day for each day they may be engaged in accordance of the provisions of this act, to be paid out of the levee fund, when they shall have rendered their accounts duly sworn to and passed, and in case any commissioner appointed shall refuse to or neglect to perform the duties required by this act, shall be fined in the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered in the name of the State, in an appropriate [illegible] before any competent tribunal in the Parish of Texas.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That the fifth section of the above recited act be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Section 5. *Be it enacted*, &c., That the said levee shall be made and the portions marked off, and the cubic yards ascertained, in order to make a secure and permanent levee, then the Inspector shall let out said levee, or Levees to the lowest bidder, each section as it is numbered and contracted for in composition, after advertising the same twenty days in one more than thirty days in the ward in which said work is to be done, and whenever a Levee or section of a Levee shall have been delivered according to the contract, a part of which shall always be to be let the same in formula Grass, the said Inspector shall issue a warrant payable to order, which shall be a legal order upon the Treasurer of the Levee Fund for the amount therein specified, and that all contracts shall be made and completed on or before the first Saturday in October, annually.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, &c., That the 7 section of the above recited act, be amended and re-enacted, so as to read as follows: Sec. 7. *Be it further enacted*, &c., That the Police Jury are hereby authorized and empowered, in imposing a tax of not exceeding an annual tax of one-fourth upon all the taxable lands in the Parish of Texas, for building and repairing Levees on the Mississippi river, in said Parish, and that said tax, when collected, shall form a special fund, to be used for levees alone, in the Parish of Texas; That said Police Jury shall annually appoint an assessor of Levee taxes, who shall make an assessment of all lands owned in said Parish, and a roll showing specifying, opposite each owner's name, the number of acres of land, valuation, and amount of tax; and the rolls of each roll shall act as a legal mortgage on all lands so assessed, after the same has been approved by said Board of Police; That said roll shall be handed over to the Levee tax collector, to be sup-ined by, and give bond to the satisfaction of said Board, for the faithful performance of his duty, and in case any person shall refuse to pay said tax, said collector shall proceed to seize and sell the lands assessed in the following manner, 1st. By seizing and giving notice of so seize, notifying the defaulting party to come forward and pay the amount of tax within three days from the service thereof, or the land so assessed, will be sold to pay said tax and all cost. 2d. All lands seized under this act, shall be sold at the Court House door of said Parish, for cash, without the benefit of appraisement, after thirty clear days advertisement in three of the most public places in said Parish, to be offered, first, in the smallest legal division. If no one bids for such portion, then in larger bodies until the amount of tax and cost is bid, and if no person bids and amount, said collector shall bid off said land or lands, in the name of the Parish, for Levee purposes; provided, however, that the original owner shall have the right to redeem the same within two years from the date of the sale, by paying twenty percent upon the amount of purchase.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, &c., That the ninth section of the above recited act be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Section 9th. *Be it enacted*, &c., That in all cases of emergency, when the levee or any portion thereof may be in danger or in the opinion of the Inspector thereof, and leaders cannot be speedily procured, then said Inspector shall call for assistance, and if he shall think necessary for all of the able bodied force of each division in the ward in which the aids may be required, and certain shall be severely injured or killed, shall be entitled to a compensation, one dollar per day for the time they are kept in service, provided, that no person shall receive as a compensation, one dollar per day from the levee fund, and that no person permitted to return, and for each hand so called and refusing to comply, the master or owner shall be fined three dollars per day for each day's absence, to be recovered according to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, &c., That the fourth section of the above recited act be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Section 4th. Be it further enacted, &c., That the Inspector shall be empowered to call upon any able bodied person, or persons, to assist in the work of repairing the levees, and in case any person shall refuse to comply, the master or owner shall be fined three dollars per day for each day's absence, to be recovered according to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 7. Be it further enacted, &c., That the fifth section of the above recited act be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Sec. 5th. *Be it further enacted*, &c., That the said Inspector shall be empowered to call upon the hands of the parish to labor as specified in this act, and the work shall have been performed, the inspector shall ascertain the amount due to each hand, and give a certificate for the same, which certificate shall be a sufficient warrant to the Treasurer of the Levee Fund for payment when presented, and said certificate shall be received in payment of levee taxes and all fines and penalties originating under this act shall be recoverable before any court or competent tribunal in said parish of Texas, and that the act shall not be so construed as to impair, or annul any act of said Board of Police done in accordance to the act to which this is an amendatory act, or any other parish laws contrary to the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PRESTON W. FARRAR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. G. HAYNE,
President pro tem of the Senate.

Approved March 6, 1850.

JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

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CHARLES GAYARRE,
Secretary of State.

(No. 57.)
RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested to use their best efforts to procure a Grant of Bounty Land to each of the commissioned officers who served in the late war with Mexico.

Be it further resolved, &c., That the Governor of the State be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

PRESTON W. FARRAR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved, March 6th, 1850.

JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

Certified to be a true copy from the original.

CHARLES GAYARRE,
Secretary of State.

(No. 58.)
AN ACT

To fix the terms of the District Court for the parish of Vermilion

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That hereafter the regular terms of the District Court in the parish of Vermilion, shall be held on the first Monday in May, and the fall term of said court shall be held on the first Monday in November, and that both terms shall be jury terms.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That this act shall take effect immediately after its passage.

PRESTON W. FARRAR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved March 6, 1850.

JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

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CHARLES GAYARRE,
Secretary of State.

(No. 59.)
AN ACT

To authorize Ph. Harris & Co., to cut a Canal from bayou Lafourche to the Lake Naples.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That Theophile Herring and his associates be, and they are hereby authorized to cut a Canal from Bayou Lafourche to the Lake Wallis commencing on their property, on the left bank of said Bayou, and Canal not to exceed twenty five feet wide at the water line.

Sect. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That in case the opening of said Canal should overflow the adjacent country to the injury of any of the inhabitants, the said Herring & Co. shall be bound to close said Canal, or erect locks on the same and continue to do so, shall be liable for all damages suffered on account of opening said Canal.

Sect. 3. Be it further enacted, &c., That the provisions of this Act shall not be so construed as to permit said Herring & Co. shall not be in any manner with the vested privileges of the Barataria and Lafourche Canal Company.

PRESTON W. FARRAR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieut Governor and President of the Senate.

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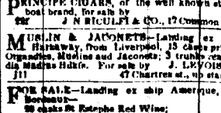

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47 Chartres st., up stairs.

FOR SALE—Landing ex ship Americus, from Bordeaux—

50 casks St Estephe Red Wine;
20 do do St Julien do, for sale by

DUBUCH & CO, 77 St Louis st.

WHISKEY—8 puncheons old Whiskey, superior quality, landing from ship Herald, from Glasgow, and for sale by

DUFOUR, WILLIAMSON & CO.
36 Natchez st.

LANDING ex ship Manchester, from Havre—

[illegible] cases Claret, 3 cases St Julien;
[illegible] do do St Estephe;
[illegible] do do Margaux.

For sale by

PAUL JONES, FILS & CO., 27 St Louis st.

ALE—[illegible] hogsheads Ale, for sale by

[illegible] & CO., 70 Tchoupitoulas st.

CIGARS—[illegible] Principe Cigars, landing ex ship Hibernia, from Liverpool, for sale by

J. N. CURIEN, 34 Main st.

WHISKEY—30 bbls Oliver's, for sale by

SHOONS & VOORHIES,
74 Tchoupitoulas st.

PLASTERING HAIR—[illegible] bushels, Northern and Western Hair, for sale in lots to suit purchasers by

SLOAN & PORTER, 91 Magazine st.

WINE AND BRANDY—Landing, ex ship Anadel, from Bordeaux—

[illegible] packages Brandy, 3 Augusta and 3 Vauthier brands, for sale by

[illegible] & CO., 17 Carondelet st.

[illegible] Cognac Brandy, for sale by

[illegible] & CO., 14 Old Levee st.

MARINE NEWS.

Port of New Orleans, March 18.

Cleared Yesterday.

Steamship Palmetto, Smith, for Galveston and Port Lavaca, Stoddard & Morgan.
Steamship Falcon, Hampton, for Chagres & Panama, Patrick, Lilburn & Co.
Steamship Globe, Bostwick, for Brazos Santiago, Harris & Morgan.
Ship Columbia, Snell, for Boston, Geo Green & co.
Ship Alleghany, Norgrave, for Philadelphia, J. H. Ashbridge & co.
Ship Nathan Hanan, Adams, for London, J. P. Whitney & co.
Bark Millendon, Butler, for Havana, Puig, Mir & co.
Skill bark Francesca, Nalis, for Genoa, Borelli & co.
Brit ketch Peri, Gates, St Jago de Cuba, Wm Burgess & co.
Bark Abbot Lord, Hill, for Baltimore, J. H. Ashbridge.
Brig Elizabeth Watts, Watts, for Baltimore, Master.
Brig Albemarle, Comery, for Charleston, E. L. & R. I. Levy.
Schr Powhattan, Caro, for Pensacola, J. Hurley.

Arrived Yesterday.

Ship Geo Turner, McLellan, 91 days fm Boston, C Deake & co—1st my.
Ship Nath Kimball, Stone, fm Boston, via Nassau, 25th ult, Toby & Bogart—2d my.
Bark Cyane, Loveland, 15 days fm Richmond, Mast & Boyd—1st my.
Bark Kirkwood, Martin, 15 days fm Baltimore, C J Becker & co—1st my.
Bark Yarmouth, Teal, 18 days fm Philadelphia, J W Andrews & co—1st my.
Brig Challenge, Cla k, fm Kingston, (Ja) 4th Inst, master—1st my.
Brig Hollander, Fankiner, fm Messina, via Gibraltar, 23d Jan, A F Cochran & co.
Schr Rosamond, Perry, 16 days fm Demerara, in ballast, master Lafayette.
Schr Lamartine, Robbins, 13 days fm Charleston, master—1st my.
Schr W R Pettis, Saunders, 4 days fm St Marks, master—Bass.
Schr. Isaac Franklin, Frost, 13 days fm St Jago de Cuba, master—1st my.

—STEAMBOATS—

Shamrock, Renier, fm Minden
Martha Washington, Irwin, fm Cincinnati.
Duck River, McKinney, fm Jefferson, Texas.
Gipsey, Ure, fm Bayou Sara.
South Western, Martin, from the Passes.
Mary Blair, Cyphers, fm Balize Pass.
E D White, Brady, fm Stypes.
Corn No 2, Keeling, fm Camden.
Fashion, Martin, fm Coast.
Gen Taylor, Power, fm Donaldsonville.
Aberdeen, Cloudis, fm Camden.
Wm Noble, Newcomb, fm Cincinnati.

—TOWBOATS—

Anglo Saxon, Davis, fm the Passes.
Phoenix, Crowell, fm the Passes.

Towboat Register.

The South Western from the Passes—Towed down and to sea 12th inst, bark Euclid—brought up bark Yarmouth and brig Challenge.

The Anglo Saxon from the Passes—Towed down and to sea 9th inst, ships Jonas and St Charles, schr C G Rose—brought up ship Geo Turner, bark Kirkwood, schr Rosamond.

The Phoenix, from the Passes—Towed down and to sea 9th inst, ships Jos Badger and Rockway—brought up ship Nath Kimball, bark Crane, and brig Hollander.

Memoranda.

The steamer Wm Noble left Cincinnati 7th inst—reports the river had risen 15 feet, and was at a stand. At Pittsburg, same day, 21 feet water and rising. Upper Mississippi, Missouri, and Arkansas rivers rising.

Ships California and Octometo, and brig Maseppa, went to sea 10th inst.

Below Coming Up.

Ships Buffalo, Bay State, Roldan and Corea, and brig Bella del Mar, one brig and one schooner unknown.

COMMERCE & TRADE

Exports.

GALVESTON—Per steamship Palmetto—Sundry under &c.
HAVANA—Per steamship, Falcon—Ballast.
BRAZOS—Per steamship, Globe—700 bbls flour 40 do sugar 80 do bread 75 do beans 25 do beans 12 do molasses 36 do whiskey 115 hds beef 20 bbls & 15 kegs pork 20 bbls & 10 kegs lard 200 bbls corn.
BOSTON—Per ship Columbia—300 bales cotton 98 bbls tobacco 240 pgs lead 1754 bbls pork 2 5 do beef 167 do beans 10 do oil 256 tcs hams 97 bbls & 6 tcs lard.
PHILADELPHIA—Per ship Alleghany—50 bales cotton 130 bbls sugar 220 bbls flour 1 bbl bitters 15 bbls pork 350 bbls & 4 kegs lard 200 bbls candles 105 bbls tarcon 25 bags feathers 43 do rags 83 bbls oil 36 pcs black walnut 17 pgs sulte.
LIVERPOOL—Per ship Nathan Hanan—958 bales cotton 195 tcs beef 100 bbls pork 49 kgs tongues 3,000 staves.
BARCELONA—Per bark Millaudon—550 bbls & 3kegs lard 16 kegs butter 61 tcs & 37 bbls hams 1 cs & 76 tcs bacon 24 bbls oil 13 cs tobacco.
GENOA—Per bark Francesca—437 bales cotton 49 hhds & 2 bxs tobacco.
RIO JAGO DE CUBA—Per brig Ketch Peri—144 bbls & 25 hds pork 50 bbls tallow 159 bbls & 300 kegs lard 50 kegs butter 500 hams.
BALTIMORE—Per bark Arthur Lord—521 bales cotton 154 cks & 4 bbls flour 38 bbls & 3 kegs sugar F A Girand—50 Price, Frost & co—38 Payne & Harrison 21 Gerard & Ferrier—12 N C Hall—10 Bogert & Foley—3 J H Plauche & co—10 J H Moore 10 do 25 bbls molasses J Bell—40 do 96 bbls sugar 212 bbl do A Mitenberger & co—10 do 10 bbls molasses G Lauve—1041, 123 bales cotton, 264 hhds sugar, 170 bbls molasses.

Imports.

BOSTON—Per ship Geo Turner—560 tons sea coal—assd'd mdse.
RICHMOND—Per bark Cyane—Assd'd mdse.
BALTIMORE—Per bark Kirkwood—Assorted mdse.
MESSINA—Per brig Hollander—25 tons brimstone for order A F Cochran & co.
CHARLESTON—Per schr Lamartine—[illegible] & 90 bbls rice S L & E L Levy—10 boxes mdse J P Hayes.
ST MARKS—Per schr W R Pettis—72 bales cotton Hill McLeary & co.
PHILADELPHIA—Per bark Yarmouth—Assd'd mdse.
KINGSTON—Per brig Challenge—30 bags coffee J W Zacharie & co—50 of fruit plant.

Receipts from the Interior.

BAYOU SARA—Per steamer Quitman—15 bales cotton H Fretheim & co—3 do do Hanna & co—30 hhds sugar J R Shaw & co—20 do Gerard & Ferrier—30 do J B Pauche & co—111 bbls molasses M White & co—24 do J Lauve—60 do J M Dodd & A Marmenout—49 bbls molasses Bringhurst & Duncan—2 do J Bird 1 bbl sugar R Freeman & co—[illegible] bbls molasses.

JEFFERSON—Per steamer Duck River—83 bales cotton Cherry, Henderson & co—22 do do 6 bags pecans Mc Rae Brothers & co—16 bales cotton 14 do peltries 72 hides M Greenwood & co—3 bales cotton E G Rogers & co—5 Hill, McLean & co—7 Wright Williams & co—8 Brander, Williams & co—3 Jury & co—19 Kuhnau & Abernathy—8 Cunningham Stewart & co—4 do 1 bale peltries R W Powell—10 do 19 bales cotton 3 bbls beeswax Burbannon, Carroll & co—17 bales cotton.

MINDEN—Per steamer Shamrock—151 bales cotton Buchannon, Carroll & co—5 Pickett, Perkins & co—14 H Carter & co—92 Bryan, Eskridge & co—126 Cleveland Bros & co—23 Gribble & Montgomery—63 Cummings Stewart & co—42 Purvis, Wood & co—50 R C Cammack—18 Bender, Williams & co—30 Oakey & Hawkins—12 Leckie, Roberts & co—10 H Freihen & co—14 Gourman Bros—2 McKee, Bryan & co—20 Hogan & co—43 G Burke & co—26 Payne & Harrison—33 Williams, Philips & co—7 do 18 hides & H Pomroy—total, 897 bales cotton consigned as above.

CINCINNATI—Per steamer Martha Washington—200 bbls tobacco—96 Pike wines 93 do pork 3 do lard Smith & Hadden—41 bbls tobacco Murphy & Griffin—10 do Pike wines Jas Dunlap—1 bbl pork 15 do lard McConnohie & Donnell—10 do beans A Mitchell—1 do do whiskey J Lamb & co—100 do R Fritz & Bro—100 Louisville & Cincinnati Ry—27 Metgrier & co—30 bxs bacon J & R Gaddes—25 bbls oil Stars, Dyer & co—25 tcs hams J R Sturges & co—15 tcs hams J A Scollins—2 do 66 bags oats Cowan, Dyers & co—552 do corn 80 do oats 8 bb