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By Charles A. Lessassier, at 10 o'clock, at No. 68 Camp street, men, women and misses' shoes, colored shirts, summer clothes, &c.

By N. Vignie at 11 o'clock, at No. 32 Chartres street, up stairs, household furniture.

By Bloche & Lessassier, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at their auction rooms, No. 80 Chartres street, damaged clothing, &c.

THE SEASON. HEALTH, &c.

The summer solstice is near at hand, and its approach is indicated by the torrid fervors of a blazing sun. Certainly for the past week or so the good citizens of New Orleans have experienced a salamandrine temperature somewhat rare for the month of June, even in the driest latitude. It is not often that the thermometer marks a higher degree than 90 in our city during the first days of the month, and the rise of to-day to 93 in cool situations, and has not fallen below 90 excepting after sunset. These prodigious and prolonged heat has occasioned frequent fatal cases of sunstroke—a disease unusually of very infrequent occurrence in New Orleans. We avail ourselves of the opportunity to advise all persons who are much exposed to the sun's rays to provide themselves with an umbrella or to place a silk lining in their hats. Either will prove a protection against the peril of sunstroke.

In spite of the intense heat, the health of New Orleans continues remarkably good. More temperature, it is well known, will not suffice to breed an epidemic, otherwise we should now be on the midst of a visitation. The official published report of Dr Dicas, President of the Board of Health, to the effect that up to the present time there has not been a case of yellow fever either in the Hospital or in private practice, should amply suffice to reassure the timid among those whom circumstances compel to pass the summer in New Orleans, and who are unacquainted. At all events for the present they are safe. Of the future we know nothing, and shall not attempt to make a vain display of scientific parade or to indulge in predictions which would be merely conjectural. The question is reasonably asked whether we shall have yellow fever here this year or not, and the minds of persons seem to think it in the power of intelligent residents, or of physicians to make a satisfactory reply. This is altogether a mistake. Human foresight will be unable even to the slightest degree to anticipate the future of the disease. We have not even the data for establishing a reasonable probability as to the appearance of the scourge. Yellow fever has broken out in New Orleans under every conceivable variety of circumstances—when the streets were clean, and when they were filthy—when the river was high, and when it was low—after a prolonged drought, and during the wash of daily and torrential rains—when the heat was excessive, and when the temperature was spring-like and pleasant—when even variations and disturbances of the soil had been frequent, and when scarcely a pavement had been laid, or a building erected. If the disease is contagious and indigenous—a point still in dispute—all we can say is that research, inquiry and sagacity are baffled in the attempt to trace its origin and develop its causes. It comes without warning, and goes we know not whether. Almost the only fixed and uniform fact connected with the disease is that its prevalence is simultaneous with the heats of summer and that frost is its deadly enemy. From these facts acknowledgments it may be candidly and fearlessly limited is the knowledge of the subject. Although most deep to interested in it, and although for half a century the most prominent and learned physicians have ventured ideas and investigation upon it, they have failed to establish beyond contradiction and controversy a single fact that would prove of clearly practical utility in guarding against the approach of the destroyer, or in curing the blast he sweeps.

The annual exodus is in full operation. Every day witnesses the departure of a host of persons who had grown loathsome and animation to our city during the past winter. The business season having been unusually prosperous and heavily closed cash, numbers are enabled to indulge in other climes long before the summer solstice. Nevertheless, as the permanent population of New Orleans is steadily increasing, our streets look less desolate than might be expected. Every year adds to the number of those who are content to make up their residence in the South and to escape all the dangers, real and imaginary, of acclimation. Every year, too, witnesses a wiser comprehension on the part of our birds of passage to offer their wandering to a more genial clime, and for which the Government offers a reward to be found in another column.

In these and various other ways