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TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 4.

Auction Sales this Day.

By D. E. Murphy, at the 57 Magazine street, warehousing paper, 8 bags, one aged cedar.

By S. Guiguard, at 11 o'clock, on the Canal Avenue portion of Bridgeport, a dairy.

The attention of dealers in flour is called by D. E. Murphy, auctioneer, to the 608 bbls advertised by him to be sold this day at 11½ o'clock, A M., on the Levee, head of Girod street.

ASPHALT'S ALE.—A genuine article of this excellent and highly approved beverage is offered to public attention by Mr. Colin A. Conway, Nos. 51, 53, 55, and 57 Common street, and No. 5 Tchoupitoulas street. The Asphalt is especially adapted to wholesome consumption in southern climates, and dealers as well as consumers would do well to note that the establishment of Mr. Conway has already in store a large lot of this ale and is receiving by every steamer fresh shipments sufficient to supply the market. To this healthful drink qualified to cheer but not inebriate, might not inappropriately be applied the old Latin proverb: "*Bonum vinum lætificat animum.*"

We learn by the arrival of the schooner Gleaner, now laying at the Quarantine, from Matamoros 29th ult., that Matamoros was not taken up to that time, and that Cortinas had 1000 men at that place ready to meet the French, which were expected from Monterey.

A NEW PAPER IN LAFOURCHE.—The Lafourche *Memorial* is the name of a new paper at Thibodeaux, La., edited and published by Messrs. C. M. Dyer and B. D. Mimms, the first number of which comes to us dated September 30th. We judge from appearances that the *Memorial* is a sort of resurrection of the lately suppressed Thibodeaux *Sentinel*.

The Legislature.

The Members of the House of Representatives assembled yesterday, in Liberty Hall building, at 12 o'clock, and provisionally organized by choosing Mr. Thomas U. Lester temporary Speaker, and Mr. John Foley temporary Secretary.

A communication from the Secretary of State was read, after which, on motion the Speaker appointed a Committee on Credentials composed of nine members as follows: J. G. Baum, E. Roldes, D. Dejan, S. M. Todd, Boyd Robinson, D. W. Shaw, S. Collins, L. A. Labarre, T. F. Kavanagh.

On motion the House adjourned till to-day at 12 o'clock.

The Senate met also at 12 M., in the room prepared for it in the City Hall building, and was organized under the Presidency of Lieut. Governor J. Madison Wells. John E. Roche was made Secretary, John F. Wood, sergeant-at-arms, Mr. Baumbach, Doorkeeper, and Hugh McManus, Postmaster.

Messrs. Garner and Curtis were elected Messengers.

Preliminary to the foregoing permanent organization, a communication from the Secretary of State, containing the names of the members elect was received, when the following Senators were admitted to seats on taking the oath of office.

St. Martin and Vermilion — Robt. E. Breaux.

Sabine, De Soto, Caddo and Natchitoches—A. Wood.

Rapides and Avoyelles—C. W. Boyce.
Total—2 Senators.

Absent—Messrs Hills of Orleans, Tillotson of Assumption, Lawton of St. James and Newell of Ascension.

Orleans—Messrs. E. B. Ball, E Hart, J. P Montamat, John Purcell, Louis Gastinel, J. T Barret, M. E. Kavanagh and John Sullivan.

Orleans right bank, St. Bernard and Plaquemines—John Brewies.

Jefferson—W Mithoff

St Charles and Lafourche—Joseph Nicholas.

Iberville—W Brown.

Assumption, Ascension and Terrebone—Marcellin Lasseigne.

East Feliciana—John Sprlinger.

East Baton Rouge—J D O'Connell.

Pond Coupee, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana—W.R. Wetmore.

Texas and Concordia—Robert B Jones.

St. Landry, Lafayette and Calcasieu—Z Griffith and M. J. Wright.

St. Mary—Charles Smith.

The President appointed Messrs. Smith, Jones, Purcell, Mithoff and Montamat, as a Committee on Credentials to whom was referred the communication from the Secretary of State.

Mr. Montamat moved to adjourn until 11 o'clock to-day—Rejected.

Mr. Smith moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-day—Carried.

The Senate was then declared adjourned until 12 o'clock M., to-day.

Late News via Clinton.

A Victory Claimed for Early at New Market—His wild Afterwards Driven to Fort Republic—Fatal Lightning Stroke—Gold at 200.

(Special Dispatch by Telegraph to the N. O. Times.)

BATON ROUGE, 10:30 a. m., Oct. 3, 1864.

[From the Petersburg Citizen Democrat, Sept. 29.]

Richmond, September 26.—The Baltimore American, of the afternoon of the 24th, received dispatches from Sheridan, which claim another victory over Early's forces at Fisher Hill on the 22d. All Early's entrenchments are stormed and jubilation over the news from the Valley.

Gold declined to two hundred (200.)

Wheat declined eight (8) cents.

Postmaster-General Gilmer has resigned at the request of Mr. Lincoln. His successor is ex-Governor Dennison, of Ohio.

Admiral Porter has returned to his old post on the Mississippi river.

Richmond, September 26.—A private, letter from Staunton, Va., 24 h, reports Early whipped the enemy severely at New Market, driving them two miles. The following is just received

Headquarters, Sept. 26.—Early reports that the enemy advanced against him on the 24th at New Market. He fell back to Fort Republic on the 25th. Enemy advanced toward Harrisburg, his cavalry having passed that place.

M. S. LEE.

Richmond, Sept. 26.—New York papers of the 23d have dispatches from the Valley representing Sheridan as continuing to pursue Early's forces in the direction of Staunton.

Nothing important from Grant or Sherman.

A groups of lightning yesterday killed one and mortally wounded three others of the 11th New York on picket duty.

[From the Ex, last Evening.]

From Pensacola—Successful Union Raid—Large Rebel Force on the Tensaw.

The transport steamer Alabama, Capt. John H. Brown, commanding, arrived from Pensacola on Sunday evening, October 2, bringing the following particulars of General Asboth's expedition:

A messenger from General Asboth announces a successful move upon, and capter of Escambia C. H., on the morning of the 22d inst. About 20 prisoners were taken, including a Col. Torrence and Lieut. France Gordan, 15th Confederate Cavalry. Mr. Allen Hart, a large rebel beef contractor, was taken, and a great many head of beef cattle, horses, mules, etc., were secured at the same time.

The expedition had destroyed Douglass Ferry, with all the small boats in that vicinity, and at the time the messenger left, the command was ready to resume its advance toward Canoe Gordo.

It is reported that from 10,000 to 12,000 troops are on the Tensaw, watching the Union movements about Mobile.

A rumor, just as the Alabama sailed, reported the expedition at Marianna.

Additional from Southern Papers.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

The Columbus Sun, of the 24th, gives the following account of a fatal railroad accident:

A bad run off, we are informed, happened yesterday morning on the Southwestern Railroad, three miles this side of Port Valley. The train was loaded with soldiers, mostly Kentuckians, from Hood's army, that had just been exchanged and were on their way to join their commands. Two or three cars in the middle of the train ran off a steep embankment, it is supposed from the widening of the track. By this accident seven soldiers and one negro were killed, and about thirty soldiers and four negroes were wounded, some badly. The deaths were caused by the cars falling over upon the men who had jumped off. Names and regiments we are unable to learn.

Assistant Surgeon J. E. H. Ware, of the Disbursing Hospital, from whom we have received the above information, was on board the train, and used his best endeavors to relieve the wounded. A lady passenger aided greatly in caring for the suffering.

Five cars were totally wrecked and others badly damaged. Toe engine and six cars came on to Macon.

In the list of casualties by this disaster we find the name of Col. Lomsdaine—H. C. Brennan, Company E, 4 h Louisiana, who was severely wounded.

RAID INTO FEDERAL LINES.

The Petersburg *Express* gives a long account of Hampton's raid into the Federal lines in front of Petersburg, on the 16th, by which he captured 300 prisoners, a large number of horses, wagons, arms, etc, and 2,500 head of cattle. Hampton made his attack at daybreak, north of the Norfolk Railroad, near Sycamore Church. While returning, in the afternoon, he was attacked at Blacker's Mill by a force under Gen. Gregg, but succeeded, it is stated, in getting safely away with his spoil, suffering a loss of only fifty men.

MOBILE.

The Georgia *Reliet* publishes a letter from Mobile, from whom we extract the following:

Every line of intrenchments around Mobile, made during the years of Lieutenant, Wilkes, Beauregard, Maury, *et id omne genus*, will be occupied. The guns mounted are of the best description, and those in the forts near the city, are of the largest caliber. The gunners are Germans, and officers skilful. There is no point from which the city can be shelled, which is not commanded by 10 inch columbiads.

Brooke guns guard the upper bay, which cannot be navigated by vessels drawing more than seven or eight feet. An attempt will hardly be made to shell the city, till the batteries below are reduced, of which such vessels are incapable. At the Apalachee battery there are not so many guns, but it is being strengthened, and guns can be hoisted to it on our ironclads.

The iron clad Nashville is as strong as the Tennessee at all points at which she will be opposed in a fight. A land attack will not materially aid one made simultaneously by water. But I may not tell more of the defenses of Mobile. In all that I have written, nothing is stated which may not be gleaned from the Federal publications.

It will be seen by the above that the reported sinking of the Nashville (twin of the Tennessee) in the channel at Dog River bar was incorrect.

OCCUPATION OF GRIFFIN, GEORGIA.

The Atlanta *Intelligencer*, Saturday morning, gives credit to a rumor, "from a very reliable source," that the Yankees occupied Griffin on Friday morning. We received by yesterday's mail, the Griffin *Rebel*, of Friday morning, which makes no mention of any Yankee forces approaching. Still the rumor may be true, as the *Rebel* was probably printed Thursday evening.—*Columbus Enquirer*, 25th.

[The town of Griffin above mentioned is situated on the railroad between Atlanta and Macon, and a little more than fifty miles from the latter place.]

THIEVING AND BURGLARY IN BATON ROUGE.—Thieving is so common now that there is no variety of incident about it to furnish an item for the local columns. A few nights ago the establishment of Allen & Simon, on the corner of Third and Laurel streets was forcibly entered, the front door opened, and between two and three thousand dollars worth of dry goods and grimeries taken away. Some of the goods, we learn, have turned up in Catfish Town, and three or four negroes have been arrested on suspicion.—*B. R. Comet*, Oct, 1.

Cheap Dress for Gentlemen.

[From the London News.]

Those who are fond of sneering *for taste* on which to found disheartening generalizations, might easily find them, to all appearance, in the cheap dress of the day. Of course we are not alluding to the dress of the ladies. That has attained a degree of luxury which makes matrimony one of the largest financial undertakings in the market. We are speaking only of the humble dress of the male sex, which seems almost to have reached the verge of workhouse cheapness. While the ladies are fatuating in costumes which are denounced from the pulpits of unfashionable churches, the men have descended, step by step, through every degree of cheapness, until they have all together deserted the old-fashioned five-guinea coat for suits which look passing well at half the money. They cannot be absolutely said to have clothed themselves in sackcloth and ashes, but they certainly go as near the penitential style, in some of their tourists garments as decency will allow. The days of "gold headed cane"—as Robert Ferguson, the poetical progenitor of Burns, puts it—are as much things of the past, as the days of hair powder, patches, and satin breeches. Materials which at one time would have been considered only fit for beadle tops now form the favorite walking dress in the most refined suits.

Such a radical change in the foundations of dress will have, sooner or later, to affect the minor articles of clothing, and we can hardly therefore, feel surprised at the rise and popularity of paper collars. There is nothing like a shrinking modesty about these articles, and those who sell them. Paper collars are boldly exposed in the shop windows, in every variety of shape and color, ready to wash with false cuffs; sometimes made of the same material, and waistcoats which are all front and no back to them will remember the decent reserve which was always maintained, both by buyer and seller, about an old piece of harmless deceptions, popularly known as a "dickey," there must be something almost ruthlessly human in this new mode of dealing. The "dickey," or false shirt front, was a thing generally purchased in the dusk of evening, with a variety of excuses made by the purchaser about a prior engagement. The shopkeeper on the other hand, was usually ready with a few sneering remarks about the convenience of the garment as a makeshift, and the impossibility of always being prepared for everything. The purchase and sale were generally conducted in a private part of the shop, with as much secrecy as often accompanies a transfer of contraband articles.

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With people so disposed we, of course, can have little sympathy, because, while multitudes of men are compelled to herd together, the art and morals of dressing are worthy of a little study. A friend of ours prayed in very dramatic times, as he tells us he did, when putting on a clean shirt, we may rest assured that there is something more in a clean shirt than meets the eye. We have known people to be singularly affected by some ornament or new article of clothing, worn under the dress: and we have seen a man's appearance of respectability sensibly increased by dressing him in a pair of drab gaiters. These are facts which ought not to be despised by any laquirer into the springs of human action. A man may dress himself in a variety of noble-hearted articles without any moral degradation, or his nature may become subdued to what he appears in. It all depends upon whether he uses these articles as conveniences or deceptions: and the frank open way in which they are bought and sold would seem to point to the first course rather than to the second. As long as all these contrivances are concerned more for utility than display there is perhaps some guarantee that sheep dress—a good and wholesome thing—will be used more than it is abused.

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Dan'l O'Brien was captured a year ago about Vercellion. An application was made that he be released to go beyond the lines, without his taking the oath of allegiance. The Court addressed the applicant to address his supplication to headquarters.

In the case of Meister, Aldrich and others the court decided that officers had no right to sell coal or forage drawn from the Government. The purchaser by entering into such transaction makes himself liable to punishment. Meister, the owner and Aldrich the draymen were found guilty in the case. The fine named was fixed $300 and the latter $100. Ledger was acquitted.

First District Recorder's Court—H. T. Hemmard, Presiding.—Francis Fleury, of 104 Gaiennde street, made an affidavit on the 12th of September against F. B Bogart, No. 125 Tchoupitoulas street, charging the latter with having in his possession certain jewelry, such as gold locket, one bracelet, chains, buttons, etc., to the value of $20. Some jewelry was seized under process and returned to the jeweller on the dismissal of the case.

Wm. Weaver had taken a very heavy load of spirits, and carried a loaded pistol besides.—The pistol was confiscated after a hearing.

Ellen Murphy and Mrs. Tabey were required to give bail in the sum of $2000 to answer the charge of being accessories to the robbery of a trunk with $15,000. Ellen is charged with having part of the stolen property, claimed by Tabey boldness in his property.

Joseph Sapp is charged by Adam Angel with entering his enclosure and stealing from him without consent. The case is fixed for the 13th inst.

The colored men Austin and Foster are charged with having broken into the premises of Jos. Miller No. 430 Peydras street and having stolen a gold watch, silver chain and gold and silver to the value of $175. The deed is alledged to have been committed Sept. 27, 1864, between 11 and 12 o'clock, A. M. The case is fixed for October 13th.

Bridget Barr, a vagrant, was assigned Workhouse quarters for sixty days.

P Gordon for fantasy driving paid a fine of $10. Miles Vagner for violating health regulations got off with a fine of $5. James Carey and Louis Gaston for fighting, Pat Welsh for keeping a tenth offence, McDoyle found drunk were severally fined $5 or five days workhouse.

First District Court—Judge Heistand—This Court opened yesterday. The District Attorney, Mr. [illegible] entered 46 informations against persons charged with misdeeds. The accused will be arraigned to-day. Parnell of Penn and Grand Jury were ordered and the Court adjourned.

FROM OUR YESTERDAY EVENING EDITION

NEAT STEAMERS FROM ST. LOUIS.—The Luminary and the Mary E. Forsyth left St. Louis on the 23d. The latter was to leave Cairo on the 24th. The Magenta was also to leave Cairo on the 25th. The Nicholas Longworth was to leave St. Louis on the 24th, and the James White on the 26th.

Late Southern News.

DATES FROM RICHMOND TO THE 27TH SEPTEMBER.

Hood's Army About to Make a Movement—A Fight Near Fort Republic—Jeff. Davis Makes a Speech at Macon, Georgia—Gen. Beauregard at Raleigh—He Makes a Speech.

[From the Progress, Extra this morning.]

We are in possession of latest dates from all parts of the Southern States. In the papers before us we find much matter of interest, but nothing of major importance. The Evening *Record's Whig*, of the 27th ult, says:

We have information of one of the most important movements of the war just made by Hood's army. It is not abundant caution we refrain from stating to-day what it is, but a few hours will make it known to the public and to the enemy—to the latter, we hope, with crushing effect.

In the Mobile papers we find the following dispatch:

Richmond, September 27.—Passengers by the Central train to-night reiterate the report received last night, that Early had repulsed an attack of the enemy in the vicinity of Port Republic.

We have nothing official or definite from the Valley to-day.

It is believed that the force reported to have been repulsed by Early is Torbett's cavalry, which Sheridan sent in pursuit of the retreating Confederates.

Lieut. Gen. Taylor is in command of the Department of East Louisiana, and has his headquarters at Solons, Ala.

Jefferson Davis was at Macon on the 23d, and delivered a speech at a meeting held for the purpose of devising means for the relief of the Atlanta refugees. His remarks are thus reported:

Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends and Fellow-Citizens: It would have gladdened my heart to have met you in prosperity instead of adversity. But friends are drawn together in adversity. The son of a Georgian who fought through the first Revolution, I would be untrue to myself if I should forget the State in her day of peril.

What, though misfortune has befallen our arms from Decatur to Jonesboro, our cause is not lost. Sherman cannot keep up his long line of communication, and retreat sooner or later every vestige of conquest will have gone, the fate that befell the army of the French Empire in its retreat from Moscow will be reenacted. Our enemies, flushed with success, will destroy his army as did the Cossacks that of Napoleon, and the Yankee General, like him, will escape with a petty body guard.

Then will be the most speedily effected by the absentees of Hood's army returning to their posts. And will they not? Can they see their husbands, sons, the days of hair powder, patches, and satin breeches. Materials which at one time would have been considered only fit for beadle tops now form the favorite walking dress in the most refined suits.

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MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE BEE,
MONDAY EVENING, October 3, 1864.

The movement in the Market to-day has been principally confined to the sale of Western Produce, noted under our commercial head. Sugar has been at a standstill and the only sale of Cotton reported is said to be at a further decline from the reduced figure of last week. This is mainly owing to the report taken from a Richmond paper of a bid having declined at New York to 200 and that the Cotton Market had given way to a corresponding extent. This intelligence however was not received without considerable doubt, but still somewhat modified will lead doubtless to have a marked effect on prices.

The Morning Star, it appears, did not start from New York as advertised, on the 28th ult, and cannot be expected until next Sunday. In the interim we may have a mail by a Wednesday steamer. We have neglected to mention that she is the 1st last the Banks have kept open till 3 P. M., instead of 2 P. M. as during the summer.

The Money market was unusually quiet to-day. The only transactions reported in Bonds or Exchange were a moderate amount of New York sight at par and some ten days at 1 per cent discount. The Banks checked much less coin conspicuous in the patriotic work than they could *Wing*, of the 27th ult, says:

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THE NEW UNDERGROUND RAILROAD IN LONDON—AIR AS A MOTIVE POWER—SUCCESSFUL APPLICATION OF THE PRINCIPLE—DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY OF THE RAILWAY.

[From London Correspondence New York World, September 10.]

This week has been made memorable by the most important experiment in locomotion since the first opening of a railway. The has been the successful commencement of a new railway—one to be worked without horses, locomotive, stationary engines, or water power—and what, perhaps, is more than all the time, to be free of steam or smoke. The Atmospheric railway is a motor.

It will not go so far as to predict that the days of locomotives are over, or seem to be among the things that were, but one thing seems certain, and that is, that for short lines, where a large traffic is not to be done, as in towns and lines under rivers, and up and down steep ascents, the pneumatic propulsion must take the place of the locomotive. The atmosphere is a power, under such circumstances, it is far more economical, more efficient, more comfortable, more healthful, more certain and almost entire immunity from accidents and cheapness.

The pneumatic principle—using air as a motor—is not new. But this method of applying it to railways is quite a novelty. The invention of Thomas W. Hammell, Esq., of Bridge street, Westminster, a civil engineer of high standing.

Former pneumatic, or "atmospheric," railways, as they were termed, were worked by a stationary engine and consumed more coke than twenty inches of the same bore would consume between the rails. In Mr. Hammell's pneumatic railway the "cylinder" is the railway itself, and the piston is the train, which is the carriage (or car), known as the piston carriage, has a projection or disc of metal the outer edge of it fitting the cylinder, which is lined with bristles, and this comes in contact with the brick work or other material forming the inside of the tube, and thus excluding the air around, and top and bottom, and thus excluding the air. It is not actually air-tight, like a piston rod in a steam engine, but practically the leakage makes no material loss of power.

Then the pneumatic impulse, or grand wheel of Eolus that "raises the wind" is stationed near one end of the line of railway, and is worked by a small stationary engine, or any other power. The first pneumatic railway experiment in this country, for people, you are aware, was a small line, about three miles long, for merely carrying mails and parcels, and that has been in operation from the Eastern (London and North-Eastern) Railway Station to the North-West District Post Office, in the north-west part of London. That has been in successful operation during the mails twenty or thirty times a day for over a year and a half.

Next, a line for goods and mails, about five feet in diameter, has been constructed to serve like the smaller one, to carry the mails direct from the General Post-Office, St. Martin's le Grand, to the Post Office, Eastern Central (Camdentown), and all through a single cast iron tube, and with one stationary engine.

Next, a passenger line opened the work by about 600 yards—say a third of a mile—in the Crystal Palace Park, and is between ten and eleven feet in diameter, and the train is a Great Western (broadgauge) train, and transport is from one end to the other. The line has been surrounded with all the disadvantages that any railway is liable to—rather higher than sea level, but with a very sharp curve and also a steeper incline (one foot in fifteen) than is practicable for any locomotive to work. The trains are blown through in one direction, and then sucked back on their return, the power being equally useful in either direction. Take the train when it is sucked through, and what is the process? Why precisely the same as that of boy sucking a pea or a bullet through a bit of low reed.

The train starts at the further end of the tunnel or tube, a quarter of a mile from the point where it leaves the station. It is sucked by the powerful apparatus out of the tunnel. This, of course, as the air is gradually drawn out—the other end of the tube being closed by the train and the intervening space between it and the station—is rendered more rarefied, and the process goes on for a second or two, till the air in the tunnel is made thinner—artificially thinner, you will say—than the atmosphere of the surrounding atmosphere outside (equal to fourteen pounds to the square inch.) The pressure drives the train into the tunnel, and the sucking power draws it on all the time. The train runs its third of a mile in some forty-eight or fifty seconds—eighteen to twenty miles an hour. It can run much faster, fifty miles an hour will be attained with ease.

The carriage is lighted by lamps that give a brilliant light; and, having none of the gases or smoke or the heavy bulk that attends the passage of a locomotive in a tunnel, the passengers glide along with the most luxurious ease imaginable.

The ventilation of course is perfect, the whole train being swept by a gale of pure atmospheric air every time a train passes.

The solves the problem of underground rail ways fully, and Parliament is to be applied to this winter for power to build several lines under the streets of London. Oxford street to the Bank from the West End.

The invention gives you the way to solve the great problem of city traffic in New York. A pneumatic railway, under Broadway is entirely feasible, and can be made at once the cheapest, most comfortable and most rapid means of transit for the people of New York Island to the other. I will give more of the mechanical details in another letter.

Miscellaneous.

GOVERNOR BROWN, OF GEORGIA.—Governor Browne, of Georgia, has issued a proclamation withdrawing the militia of the State from Hood's command. He says that troops will be able to return the militia, who number some fifteen thousand, to the army, in greater service requires it. He proclaims that General Sherman will be idle for some time. The second Governor in this manner is not approved by the military authorities of Georgia, and an effort is made to ridicule him through the papers. The Chattanooga *Rebel* (now published at Griffin, Georgia, says:

"We once heard a drunken soldier shout, 'What is freedom without liberty, and what is liberty without independence?' Gov. Brown says what is independence without sorghum, and how is sorghum to be saved without the militia?"

And again:

"We have heard of men saving their bacon by getting out of a fight, but Gov. Brown has called his militia from the front to save their sorghum. This flank movement on the sorghum is certainly a 'sweetener.'"

In another place, "John Happy," (Captain Roberts, one of the editors,) got off the following

SORGHUM SYRUP AND THE MILITIA.

Yesterday one hundred and fifty of the Georgia militia, under command of Col. Hall, arrived in this city, and many a Federal's blood was made to nourish the soil before the price was won.

It does not become us to resort to dastard, "Lo, here and lo, there" tactics. Let us with one arm and one effort endeavor to crush liberticide. I am going to the army to confer with Gen. Cobb. The sad must be the defeat of our enemy. It has been said that a hungry man dosed Georgia to her fate. Shame upon such a falsehood. Where could the sinner have been when Walker, when Polk, and when General Stephen D. Lee was sent to her assistance. Miserable man. The man who uttered this slur was a scoundrel. He was not a man to save our country.

If I knew that a general did not possess the right qualities to command, would I not be wrong if I kept silent? Why, when all our army was falling back from Northern Georgia, I even heard that I had sent Bragg with his corps to cross into Cuba. But we must be charitable.

The man who can speculate ought to be made to take up his musket. When the war is over, and our independence won, (for we will establish our independence,) who will be our aristocracy? I hope the limping soldier. To the young ladies I say—Fidelity. A shooting between an empty sleeve and the man who had remained at home and grown rich, always take the empty sleeve. Last night I was seven hours at home and make bread. But should any lady or any young man keeping away from the service, who cannot be made to go any other way, let them hear that I respect no lady that will not when he felt that his adornment was more showy than solid. There may be natures so wanting in sensibility, or so philosophical, that they feel no more pride when their cravats go all around their neck, instead of merely sticking on their sheets, and no more self-assistance when their shirt-cuffs really repay respect a white shirt, instead of false gauntlets to a dingy woollen covering.

With people so disposed we, of course, can have little sympathy, because, while multitudes of men are compelled to herd together, the art and morals of dressing are worthy of a little study. A friend of ours prayed in very dramatic times, as he tells us he did, when putting on a clean shirt, we may rest assured that there is something more in a clean shirt than meets the eye. We have known people to be singularly affected by some ornament or new article of clothing, worn under the dress: and we have seen a man's appearance of respectability sensibly increased by dressing him in a pair of drab gaiters. These are facts which ought not to be despised by any laquirer into the springs of human action. A man may dress himself in a variety of noble-hearted articles without any moral degradation, or his nature may become subdued to what he appears in. It all depends upon whether he uses these articles as conveniences or deceptions: and the frank open way in which they are bought and sold would seem to point to the first course rather than to the second. As long as all these contrivances are concerned more for utility than display there is perhaps some guarantee that sheep dress—a good and wholesome thing—will be used more than it is abused.

MARINE NEWS.

Port of New Orleans, Oct. 4, 1864.

CLEARED YESTERDAY.

Steamer Hamblin, Hawkins, for St Louis

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Bark General Washington, Orr, from Fort Pike, to master

Bark Columbia And, Kroger from San Marcelos to master

Schr Reuse, Snow, from Moncrovia, to master—Sundries

Schr J. Pendergrass, from S. Unerim Pascagoula, to master—Lumber

Schr Star, Gislason, from Polaite à la Hache, to ballast

Schr Leonard, Young, from Petite à la Hache to master—66 Barrels

STEAMBOATS

Millie Stephens, Hemo, from Baton Rouge

Steamboat Matter, Lee, from Bayou Sara

Mahitsel, Lee, from do do

Independence, Henry, from Philadelphia

Arizona, Gaskill, from Cincinnati

Hetty Gilmore, Wood, from Coast

BELOW, COMING UP

Schr Marie (Marie), Jacobsen, 15 days from Vera Cruz, with 45 passengers and passengers to John Low

Bark Gleaner, Hall, from Matamoras, in ballast to master

Brig Ida Mallard

BELOW AT QUARANTINE.

Schr Waconna (British), Morrison, 7 days from Matamoras, in ballast, to master

Schr J. W. Webber, Lagasse, from Matamoras

Schr Louise, (Swiss), maynard, from Matamoras

Schr Gleaner, (British) Gaines 5 days from Matamoras, to master—Ballast to master

Schr Oliver Bruce, Logue, 12 days from Tampico, in ballast, to master—Ballast to master

Schr John Doug as (British) 8 days from Matamoras, in ballast, to master

Schr Rescue, (British) Jenkins, 10 days from Matamoras, in ballast, to master—Ballast to master

Schr Lily, Warner, 7 days from Matamoras, in ballast, to master

Schr Ellen Travers, Fowler, 8 days from Matamoras, in ballast, to master

RECEIPTS FROM THE INTERIOR.

THIBODEAUX.—Per steamer Ind pendence—3 bales cotton, 1 package sundries—Per steamer Lafourche—1 bale cotton, 1 package A. Ferre—3 bales cotton P H Penny—3 do do Colomb & Co—1 do do Mrs Bowie—1 do do A Thibaut—12 bags cotton to order—2 do do E L Bisland & co—2 do do A Waits—10 do do P Mosgrove—9 do do E Mason—1 do do Mrs Bowie—1 bale cotton, 76 bales and 6 bags to send

VICKSBURG.—Per steamer Atlantic—Hay Eagle—45 bales cotton U S Handerlin—9 do do Slight & co—10 do do H Richmond—10 do do S Bayne—10 do do Dr H Green & co—37 bags cotton to send J H Jones—36 do do F L & A Hall—20 do do Dull Green & co—37—do sam P D Darling—and 20 empty hogsheads Lumber—1 bale, 14 bales, 2 do same to order—Per steamer Hamblin—45 bales cotton, 2 do same to order—Per steamer Ruth—Wilkenbach & Co—30 do P Blake—20 bale apples and bale flour to G