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CHOICE OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR LOUISIANA.—The joint ballot yesterday of the two Houses of the General Assembly for Presidential Electors resulted thus: W. T. Stockton and Alfred Shaw for the State at large; and Judge E. A. Woolley for the 1st Congressional District, J. R. Petty for the 2d District, J. S. Schaffer for the 3d District, and Judge J. McFaldon for the 4th District. It is conceded that these Electors will cast the six votes of the State for President Lincoln.

BLACKWOOD FOR OCTOBER.—We have received from the American publisher, Leonard Scott & Co., 79 Walker street, New York, the October number of the ever welcome Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine. The list of contents is such as to excite pleasant expectations in the reader who seeks either solid or light matter, commencing with one of Oswaldus O'Dowd's startling, rambling papers, including a long and exhaustive review of Renan's Life of Jesus, and ending with an appreciative and interesting, though brief article on the death of Captain Speke, the African explorer and Nilesource discoverer.

A NEW NOVEL.—The Haunted Tower, by Mrs. Henry Wood, author of "The Castle's Heir, East Lynne, The Mystery," etc., etc., is the title of a new volume issued by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, from early proof sheets, in advance of the publication of the work in Europe. It comprises the usual features essential to a novel—incident, character, plot, dramatic situation dashed with enough of the supernatural to lift it out of the rut of commonplace experience. We are indebted for a copy to the publishers, through Dunlap & Co.'s Union Book Store, 126 Camp street, N. O., who have the book for sale.

THE NEW DRAFT AFTER THE ELECTION, BUT A NEW MODE OF RECRUITING IS TO BE ADOPTED.

A recent Washington dispatch to the N. Y. Herald said that the statement, purporting to be on the authority of Provost Marshal General Fry, to the effect that President Lincoln will, if re-elected, call for a peremptory draft of 300,000 men, is pronounced by General Fry as utterly unfounded, the whole journal especially observes:

It has been widely reported that there is to be another draft immediately after the election. That story is false. It was invented of course, for electioneering purposes.

There is not to be another draft, either before the election or after it, but all quotas that go creditward will pass what more men, and we are to rely for our future levies upon the means finally to be taken to establish a sensible, permanent recruiting system. Men are not scarce in this country, and the last call has demonstrated, that by proper measures and a liberal bounty any number can be had. Men can be had in the Western States for three hundred dollars as a permanent bounty. Thus sum makes an appearance for the various expenses of the recruiting and bounty. It costs a good deal less than that, and still leaves a good margin for the benefit of the recruiter and family. It would be a good sum, also, to pay for the operations and secrecy of that large number of persons, who will then be induced to lend their energies to the good cause of filling our armies. Recruiting will thus become a permanent business in the country, in all families as in every city and village, and well, for the first time in the history of the war, be effective and productive of great results.

So easily will this system enable the army to draw regularly and properly upon our own population, but it will also open for our benefit the immense and concentrated population of Europe. Much the better, and the British papers of the activity of United States recruiting in England, Ireland and Germany. Up to the present time the army has not been greatly increased by their efforts but it may be supposed that those efforts have by this time made a pretty well known in those countries that large sums are paid here for soldiers, and that is enough. Hundreds and thousands of families that have lately struggled to exist on a life of comparative affluence in this country, but hardly hoped that they would ever have the means to come here will now see the way clear. One man can pay the passage of father, mother and two or three others. Two sons can pay the passage of all the family, and have enough left to buy a farm in the fruitful Western acres. Let it not be thought that this is visionary. Four regiments of the German and French legions have crossed in this very way. One son has gone into the army to insure the comfort of the rest of the family, in case of misfortune, in that very piece of preaching who now have the most sickly longing to come to the United States. Thus, this system of permanent bounty, while it will keep up the army, will take place to be a great system of inducement to emigration.

Properly worked, there is hardly a limit to what can be done by such a system both here and in Europe. It can be made to give us half a million of men by next May—and should do so. This system will, we shall no doubt, most triumphantly prove that we should have done better if we had never had any draft at all.

The Capital of Italy.

[From the London Times (correspondent)]

TURIN, October 4.

The question of a capital for the Italian Kingdom was at all time a ticklish one, but it becomes a peculiarly dangerous one, so long as power is at most unseasonable moment, and in the most unexpected and awkward quarter.

What they ask of the Emperor, and what they seemed to have obtained, is that Rome should be rid of the presence of the French troops, that the Emperor in view of the future should be brought to stand on the closest of a possible understanding between the Pope and his subjects. To secure the latter the Italians, for their part, renounce all claims on the Eternal City. Should Rome, at the end of two years, cease to be the Papal See, it might peaceably belong to the Romans, but the remainder of the Italians would, by their own act, have no less solemnly shut themselves out of it.

Truly, were the Romans at any time to acquire their own sovereignty, were they to hold their plebiscite, and to vote for annexation to the Italian kingdom, they would require to be right which might happen to be acknowledged Rome might thus come to belong to Italy, but the Italians might be no less debarred from accepting their seat of government thither. The Catholic world might insist that, whether a king or merely as a delegate, the Pope must needs reside in the Vatican, and that the presence of a National Government might be incompatible with the peace and security which becomes a Pontifical magnificence. Whether a French garrison in there or not, life clear that the Italian Court and Chambers cannot be brought in Rome, so long as a French force is the head and to the interest of the Catholic powers, have her veto upon that transaction. The Paris convention stipulates something that may, indeed, have been for the Romans, but, as far as for the Italians at large, so far as they have any real meaning, it binds them to look not for a capital anywhere but in Rome.

If, therefore, a removal is now contemplated from Turin to Florence, it is for the purpose of establishing in the latter city not a provisional, but a permanent capital. The word *provisional* could certainly have been written in the secret clauses of the convention, if at least there had ever been brought forward what it was deemed expedient that the subject should first be treated in Italy. But, whether Florence was provisionally or permanently selected, it was clear that by the letter and spirit of the convention the seat of government even if it could henceforth be removed from Florence, should not for all that, be transferred to Rome.

This legitimately what constitutes the radical danger of the question as it is now put forth—The removal of the capital of Turin, in the opinion of many, is tantamount to a foreknowledge of the right of Italy upon Rome as a capital, but what for ever, and this colors in the case of Piedmontese municipalism all those features of pitiful greatness which either those of the Middle Ages or the popular pride of Italy, or who right that lasting once been so declared, the house of the country is bound up with the revolution, however pernicious, Jurisdictions of the Middle Ages.

The reason why Rome is desired by many the only possible permanent capital of Italy is not so much to be sought in the advantages of its site, in its intelligence of its aspect, or the glory of its traditions, as in the fact that, owing to all those causes it is the only city to which all the other towns of Italy are said to be willing to show no objections. Choose Rome as a capital" mean say, "take Milan in an, and forever of all municipal pretensions. But, place the seat of government at Milan, Florence, or anywhere else, and you will find it to contend with restless local jealousies, you will have to meet opposition, you will hear the alarm bell sounding from all the cities of Italy. Naples will be unwilling to accept the low from Milan or Florence at the same is to bow to decrees of Turin. Whether Florence be chosen for a provisional or a permanent purpose, that city becomes the object of municipal ill-will. Milan, Naples, and the other towns were jealous at first, when they heard of the Turin people starting in rebellion against the obnoxious clause in the Paris convention.

The narrow selfishness of the worst kind of municipalism, which was hitherto dormant, is rising all around with alarming rapidity. It is not to be wondered at, for the Italians as greatly to be blamed about it. They were all willing enough that Chiozi should transform as they were; put now a dwell of diamond has been set aside, which it will take no little wisdom to buy. Since it is no longer Rome to which all the local glory, there is no reason why every city should not stand on what it counted one its rights and interest.

The Italians have hitherto shown great indications of moderation, wonderful docility and self-denial. In bringing them to exercise those virtues to their utmost extent, for the present crisis is full of danger, and their position is not so safe from foreign aggression that they may indulge the wanton pleasure of cutting each other's throats in internal feuds. Free to them to turn their country into a cockpit when they have made it wholly safe for ever their own.

THE HABIT FOR POTATOES.—A French gardener, residing at Troyes, having observed that everybody living in the quarter of the town inhabited by laborers escaped the cholera, he determined to try the virtue of tar when plentifully potatoes. For that purpose he pinned a shovelful of tar in the trench where the seed is a part of the field; and planted the remainder in the ordinary way. On digging out the potatoes he found that those which were planted near the tar were perfectly sound, while the others were diseased. He found further, that potatoes were preserved during the winter, by spreading tar on the floor of the store.

NEW WAY TO SEND A "COPPER" HOME.—Wrap a strip of paper shaking around a pencil case, ruler, or any round object, making all the edges meet. Write upon it and then unwrap it. It will be quite a chase, but when brought back to its old position on the roller, it will be no legible, as this print. The roller would have to be the same in both cases, with the sender and receiver, but this could easily be arranged between friends. The message might also be written the way on the roller, and then increase the difficulty of reading it.

HOMEOPATHY.—Tyrannical.—Six equal parts of wine and thirteen parts water, and mix over the fire (warm) thoroughly for about ten minutes, and pass to red heat, which will convert the wine into acetic acid. Dose—Two teaspoonfuls in a wine glass of water, to be repeated every hour till free passage is established.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Criminal Court—Judge G. H. Lauve.—B. Hollands, an employe of the Quartermaster's Department, was tried on the charge of having tampered with some property placed in his charge as keeper of some seized property, at No 56 Chevalet street. Some children clothing and a few novels from the library were the property involved in this case. Other property taken from the premises were found in the possession of other keepers of the place, but nothing was traced to accused. He was therefore yesterday acquitted.

The case of Jas. Erick, a waggoner, charged with having sold a sack of oats from a Government waggon, was continued for the defence.

Recorder Court—Recorder Vennard.—Jared Bob Clay and Wm. Turrell $10 each for disturbing St. Charles street. More trivial cases were disposed of with small fines or the alternative of imprisonment. Recorder Worden sent Mary Silver and Biddy Graham to the Workhouse for six months as lewd rats and cotton pilferers. Ch. Lingham was held for trial on the charge of having improperly possessed himself of a gold watch, the property of Justin Flitz. Bail $200.

First District Court—Judge Howland.—The prizes were organized yesterday and two cases tried. Both cases were colored men. The first case was that of Geo. Thomas who was convicted of having stolen four bronze regals, from a store on Camp street. He was sentenced to three months imprisonment. Simon Williams was found guilty of an assault and battery.

Grant's Strategy.

[From the New York Times (26th ult.)]

The official bulletin of this morning contains news of an important movement made towards the left, or toward the Southside Railroad, by two corps of our army, on Thursday. General Grant decided on this direction with a view of testing the strength of the enemy's line and works in this locality, and perhaps with other views which have not yet reached their consummation. We had news a few days ago that the rebels, doubtless in anticipation of this movement, had been massing their troops on our left; and General Grant says that at every point developed, the enemy was found intrenched and the works manned. In the struggling, the rebels attacked Hancock vigorously, but the latter gained a decided success, repulsing them and holding possession of the field until midnight. It is evident, however, that to wear out Grant's design to make a general assault upon the enemy's works, or to withdraw his army from the advanced positions to which it had been pushed.

We have pointed out more than once a characteristic of Grant's strategy, which has appeared frequently since his army reached the north side of the James, and which crops out in the evidence we have just quoted. He has darted again and again so as to compel the enemy to attack him—to be the attacking party. He has succeeded in this strategy admirably for in each instance of the enemy's assaults we have won the most decisive victories over him. Latterly, Lee has been somewhat chary of these attacks, but Grant has by no means given up his purpose of so manœuvring our forces as to compel him to continue them. The present movement may yet have that intimation.

Many Preserved in Ice Many Thousand Years.

We have now evidence of mammoths existing in Europe with three species of elephant, two of them extinct, namely the mammoth and the *Elephas antiquus*, and a third the same as that which still survives in Africa. As to the first of these, the mammoth, I am aware that some writers contend that it could not have died out many tens of thousands of years before our time, because its flesh has been preserved in ice, in Siberia, so as fresh as to serve as food for dogs, bears and wolves; but the argument seems to me fallacious. Middendorf, in 1843, after digging through seven thickness of frozen soil in Siberia, came down upon an ox's tusks, to which the skeleton of a mammoth was imbedded so perfect that, among other parts, the pupil of the eye was taken out, and is now preserved in the Museum of Moscow. No one will deny that this elephant had lain for several thousand years in its icy envelope, and if it had been not undisturbed, and the cold had gone on increasing for hundreds of centuries, we might reasonably expect that the frozen flesh might continue undecayed until a second glacial period had passed away. When speculations on the long series of events which occurred in the glacial and pre-glacial periods are indulged in, the imagination is apt to take alarm at the immensity of the time required to intercept the monuments of those ages, all referable to the era of existing species. In order to abridge the number of centuries which would otherwise be indispensable, a disposition is shown by many to magnify the rate of change to preliminary causes, by invoking the causes which have modified the animate and inanimate world within historic, dusty and excessive energy. It is related of a great Irish orator of our day, that when he was about to contribute somewhat parsimoniously towards a public charity, he was persuaded by a friend to make a more liberal donation. In doing so he apologized for his first apparent want of generosity by saying that his early life had been a constant struggle with poverty and misery, and that "they who are born to affluence cannot easily imagine how long a time it takes to get the chill of poverty out of one's bones." In like manner we of the living generation, when called upon to make grants of thousands of centuries in order to explain the events of what is called the modern period, shrink naturally at days from making what seems an inroad on expenditure of past time. Throughout my early education we have been accustomed to such strict economy in all that relates to the chronology of the earth and its inhabitants as cannot, so fellow-I have seen them by all I think ballots, that even when our reason is convinced, and we are persuaded that we ought to make more liberal grants of time to the geologist, we feel how hard it is to get the chill of poverty out of our bones.—*Sir Chas. Lyell.*

Sloan Hinges was said at a recent meeting of the Social Science Congress, to be the prominent triumph of British agriculture. By it land previously drained was broken up to a third of the time before necessary to cultivate it for the first crops, while the saving in horse labor and keep very satisfactory, and not almost the necessity of working steam power, and the capital required for cultivating it—besides the handling of horses, which did notch herds, was obviated, and the evil consequences of bad seasons were overcome. The subsoil of plow ing with Fowler's steam plow shows great economy over the ordinary plow. The cost with the tackle is £1000. An agriculturist who had thrift stated that he had in use for plowing 100 days in the year on an average, that he allows five per cent interest and ten per cent. more wear and tear, on seven tenths its cost, so the engine is in use for threshing, chaff-cutting, sawing, grinding, &c., three-tenths the time, and that adding in the foregoing allowance, 4½ per day for repairs of engine and tackle, 10s of per day for coal, oil and tallow, 15s per day for wages of plowsmen, and 7s per day for water cart, he makes the average cost of plowing in this way a fraction under 3s. per acre, some £3 per acre. As the price for plowing by horses in his neighborhood was more than 5s per cent. higher—from 8s to 14s per acre—the saving was very great. Eight acres plowing was an average day's work.

EDITORIAL SORROWS.—Be an editor, let the devil be waiting for copy sit down to write an article, and get a few sentences done. Then let an acquaintance drop in and begin to tell you stories and gossip of the town, and let him sit, and sit, and sit. That is the quickest way we can think of to go raving, distracted mad.

An Irishman, in describing America, said: "I am told that yer might pull England then it, and it wouldn't make a dint in the ground there's fresh water ocean inside that yer might drink and Ireland in; and as for Scotland, yer might stick it in a corner, and yer'd never be able to find it out, except it might be by the smell o' whiskey."

MATRIMONIAL SOCIABILITY.—"Henry, my love, I wish you would drop that book, and talk to me; I feel so dull." A long silence and no reply. "Oh, Henry, my lost's asleep." "Is it? Well, don't talk, dears you might wake it."

The people of Peru are so indolent that they open pea pods with an oyster-knife. In driving horses, they always have two men to each quadruped—one to hold the reins, and the other to cry "whoa!"

An Irishman's Fatherland.—*Paris.—Punch.*

Letter from Gen. Sherman.

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY DIVISION OF THE MISSISSIPPI, IN THE FIELD, ATLANTA, GA., Sept. 12, 1864.

MAJOR GENERAL H. W. HALLECK, Chief of Staff, Washington, D. C.:

GENERAL—I have the honor to report that the army under my command has just completed the most difficult part of the task assigned it. Operations against Atlanta, from the Tennessee River, developed the fact that the enemy had chosen a position, standing on the defensive, which could be turned only by a very large force, and that he had fortified it with all the skill of a thorough military engineer. Our route of supply was a single railroad, which was necessarily exposed for its whole length to the enemy's cavalry. Under these circumstances, I deemed it necessary to keep the bulk of my forces in hand, ready to meet the enemy in battle, and to detach only enough to protect the road in our rear. Our railroad was repaired as fast as we advanced, and the cars followed close on the heels of the troops. Finding that the enemy had fortified Rocky Face Ridge and Dalton, I turned it by Snake Creek Gap, and compelled him to abandon that position. Following him down, I found him fortified in the strong position of Resaca, where I fought him for two days, but failed to break his lines. Sending a force to Calhoun, to his rear, I compelled him to fall back rapidly to Adairsville, where he made a stand, but I pushed him so hard that he left in such haste that he burned up a train of cars, and a good deal of ammunition, which we found in the woods. Still pressing him, he made a stand at Kingston, but left that place also in such haste that we got there in time to save the railroad bridge, which he had prepared to burn. Moving rapidly on, I found him fortified in the mountains about Allatoona, and, after a heavy battle, he abandoned that position, and retreated to Rome, where he halted only long enough to destroy the railroad bridges and depot, and then crossed the Coosa River, and moved rapidly to the west. Finding that he had crossed to the west bank of the Chattooga River, I left General Thomas to look after him, and returned with the rest of the army to Kingston, Ackworth, Big Shanty, and Marietta, where we rested and refitted, and got up supplies. Generals Stoneman and McCook were sent to break up the railroads in his rear, and to destroy the bridges over the Chattahoochee River, while I moved with the main body of the army by Decatur, to the railroad between Atlanta and Chattahoochee River. This was successfully accomplished, and the army crossed the river, and destroyed the railroad for many miles. Generals Garrard and Kilpatrick were sent to the railroad between Atlanta and Augusta, and destroyed it for many miles. Meanwhile, General Howard had crossed the river at Roswell, and destroyed the factories at that point, and had captured a large number of prisoners, who were sent to the rear. Generals Schofield and Thomas were then ordered to join me, and I proceeded to invest Atlanta on the south and east sides, while the two armies of the Tennessee and Ohio enveloped the city on the north and west sides. Our position was such that we could use the railroad back to the Chattahoochee River, and the enemy was forced to evacuate Atlanta, which he did on the night of the 1st inst., blowing up his magazines, and burning a large amount of property which he could not remove. On the morning of the 2d inst. I occupied the city with the Fourteenth and Twentieth Corps, and the cavalry, and sent back for the Fifteenth Corps, which had been left at Decatur. The Fifteenth Corps arrived on the 4th inst., and the Seventeenth Corps is now en route from Rome to Kingston. The Twenty-third Corps, General Schofield, is now at Atlanta, and the Army of the Cumberland, General Thomas, is camped around the city. The enemy, General Hood, is reported to be at Lovejoy's Station, fifteen miles south of Atlanta, with a force estimated at 40,000 men. Our army is in splendid condition, and equal to any emergency. The weather is fine, and roads good. Our railroad back to the Chattahoochee is in good order, and we have ample supplies at Atlanta for the present army. Our wounded and sick have all been sent back to the hospitals at Chattanooga, Nashville, and Louisville, and we have now ample room for all our wounded that may be brought in from the battle-fields. Our losses in the campaign have been severe, but not greater than I had reason to expect. Indeed, they have been much less than those of the enemy, whose dead have been left in our hands in large numbers. I have no reason to believe that the enemy has lost less than 30,000 men since the commencement of the campaign, while our own loss will not exceed 25,000 men. I have the honor to be, general, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. T. SHERMAN, Major General Commanding.

Letter from the Late Judge Taney.

The Baltimore *Sun* publishes the following letter:

WASHINGTON, May 6, 1861.

My Dear Sir: I learned accidentally, about a minute ago, that some kind and pious hand had removed from the body of my beloved mother the rose and rubbish which fifty years had accumulated upon it, and restored it to the condition in which it was when placed there by her weeping children. Kneeling in a distant place, I could not myself guard it from desecration, nor even the ordinary figures of care, and you may readily imagine how grateful I felt to the unknown friend who had, unasked, and without any knowledge of the fact that she was there, I have often inquired and tried to discover to whom I was indebted for an act so touching and pure, but without success, until a few days ago, when my venerable friend and pastor, the Rev. Father McElroy, called to see me, and then told I learned for the first time that I owed it to you, to whom I had hitherto been an entire stranger. But you are not now, nor am I hereafter, a stranger, and I am most grateful for your kindness, and even the brief space of life in this world which may be vouchsafed to me shall have passed, and I am laid by the side of my mother, I hope you will be near, and feel assured that among my last thoughts will be the memory of your kindness.

With great respect and regard,

Your grateful friend,

R. B. TANEY.

MR. H. McAleer, Frederick City.

THE FREEDMEN'S CURRENCY.—Mr. Samuel St. John Jr., of Roxbury, Mass., has received the following letter from the Comptroller of the Currency, respecting the fractional currency, the defaced condition of which now causes so much complaint:

Treasury Department,
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency,
Washington, October 31.

DEAR SIR—Your favor of the 31st instant is received, and in reply I have to say that it is in contemplation by the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a new fractional currency to take the place of that which has been counterfeited.

Yours truly,
HUGH McCULLOCH, Comptroller.
Samuel St. John, Jr., Roxbury.

THE VICKSBURG CORRESPONDENCE.—A letter from Vicksburg of the 28th says:

The cotton crop in this neighborhood has been pretty well gathered, and it is an extraordinarily short one—quite a number of the planters having realized a tithe scarcely of what they had reason to expect when the corn was planted.

Arrangements between Gens. Grant and Lee to Alleviate the Sufferings of Prisoners of War.

[Special to the New York Times.]

WASHINGTON, October 7.—It will gladden the whole country and every one and death's ones to hundreds of thousands of homes to learn that an arrangement has been made whereby those who linger in Southern prisons will hereafter receive adequate supplies of food and clothing. In the impossibility of general exchange of prisoners, it is a matter of rejoicing that their sufferings will be thus far alleviated, and they made as comfortable as it is possible for them to captivity to be. The agreement, looking to this beneficent end, has just been concluded between Gens. Grant and Lee, and only awaits the settlement of practical details to take immediate effect.

The proposition, be it said to the credit of the rebels, came from themselves, and was first made in communication under date of the 5th inst., addressed by Mr. Chas. Cunningham, Agent of Exchange, to Maj. Gen. Hitchcock, Commissioner of Exchange for the United States. Mr. Cuddy communication in substance recited that in these days a prospect of a large number of prisoners being held by both sides during the coming winter, it is desirable that such belligerents, without being freed from the obligation of feeding and clothing the prisoners held by them respectively, should be allowed to furnish their own supplies to the other's hands with such additional comforts as humanity may prompt. He therefore proposed that two shall be permitted to send to the boats clothing, blankets and supplies for our prisoners in the hands of the Confederates, they being allowed to do the same by their prisoners in our hands. He further proposed that the vessels should be allowed to purchase abroad the articles intended for their prisoners held by us.

This overture was referred to Gen. Grant, who replied in a communication to Gen. Hitchcock, under date of the 7th inst., accepting Mr. Cuddy's proposition, and stating that he was authorized by the Secretary of War to make arrangements for the mutual relief of prisoners held by the two parties. "Looking," he added, "entirely to the alleviation of the sufferings of those held in captivity, I will not interpose any obstacle to any path that may be agreed upon that your original purpose in view."

This letter, the following day, Gen. Lee replied to Gen. Grant, acknowledging the receipt of his communication, and stated, that he had been authorized by the rebel War Department to enter into an arrangement on the part of the rebel States. The details were soon after arranged between the Commissioners named, and the agreement signed by Gen. Grant on the 11th inst.

The agreement is in substance as French Minister to Washington with accepted a place as low down in the list of diplomats as that occupied by the Marquis de Chateaurenaud, does not look as if the French Government attached much importance to the relations with the Government of the United States. The new Minister, who is yet young, was but a short time ago a Secretary of Legation, and has only served once at the head of a Legation, and that at the petty court of Hesse, where the important information took him. It is not that the successor of M Mercier may not be a man of talent, but in a distance of one month, where a Minister is required there to act on his own judgment, one would suppose that the Government would prefer a man who had enjoyed a longer experience in diplomacy.

It may be remarked, also, that in the case that of jumping to the secondary courts, the new minister to Washington is the only third man. Does the Government of France suppose that, in the eyes of the American people, says the deficiency in grade will be compensated for by the magnitude of the subsidiary gift?

The Fortifications at Lynchburg.

The Lynchburg News of the 1st inst. says:

We have recently made an examination of the fortifications that General Colston is constructing on the Amherst side of the river. Many and important additions to the old works are being made. There is no exaggeration in our saying now that the fortifications on this Amherst side were too meagre and totally inadequate to the purpose of defense. They could easily have been taken, and many approaches to the city have been thereby given to a cavalry force. The line is nearly perfect now and we shall soon have works that will command every pass and ravine through which approach to the city could either side be gained.

—Kiss.—A receipt given on "paying your addresses."

The Rebel Pike and his Wife.

A letter from Little Rock, October 14, says: The home of this famous rebel and ex-soldier and leader of Indian regiments, still stands in this place a striking monument of the folly and downfall of its owner. It is still profusely necklaced by Mrs. Pike, who, though now quite aged, still clings to it alone and to its desolation, to preserve it from the clutches of Federal confiscation. In its best estate the home was one of superb appointments externally and internally, finished and furnished without stint or expense. It is now disordered and desolate, and the noble Corinthian library of at least seven thousand volumes has all been carried away, except some straggling volumes in foreign tongues, which the rude relic hunters could not read and left behind, nearly all the splendid collection of engravings have disappeared, and a fine organ, piano and harp have been spared the same fate only from their ponderousness. Mrs. Pike is a woman of intense rebel proclivities and has felt all the accumulated humiliations and defeats of her cherished cause almost as acutely personal affections. Her reason has fast been losing its supremacy, and she wanders vacantly about amid the dreary wreck, seeming scarcely to notice anything that passes around her. Not many mornings ago she was found by those early in the streets standing hastily absent of her dwelling, in a state of nudity, to the great delight of the neighbors to resort an informal plot, which, she said, General Steele was concerting to surrender the whole city, and was even then selecting as large a lot to erect a house upon. She will soon be sent to the hands by the flag of truce, to her husband, at Washington, in this State.—The gifted and wizard man is described to me by a fellow officer who once met him face to face in a desperate cavalry charge, as a person of commanding dignity and face. He has a fine masculine figure, the voice of a clarion, and wears his hair at great length, reaching down to his waist. He sits his horse superbly, leaps over fences and ditches with a magnificent contempt, and has he rode at the head of his column, his long hair streaming in the wind, and his powerful voice urging them on to the charge, it is little to be wondered at that the superstitious imagination of the Indians regarded him as an oracle and a sort of demigod. It is easy to divine the source of the almost absolute power which he is said to have exercised among them.

General, the Lion-Killer.

Captain Speke, the undaunted explorer of the Nile, after passing unhurt through many perils by land and water, fell a victim to an inglorious accident in the land of England. Captain Speke, the celebrated lion-killer and African traveller, has, it is rumored by the last foreign arrival, been drowned while crossing a river in Africa. Deliverance from the jaws of the lion and the paw of the bear, he, too, has fallen a victim to an accident which happens daily in the most civilized countries.

Speke is clearly not the first man in this country by the exciting book on lion-hunting. He gives a picture, by no means flattering, of the King of Houla, and certainly his acquaintance with the large animals was intimate enough to make him a good authority on the habits of the lion. Recently Gerard headed an amateur expedition into Algeria, formed of sportsmen who also wished to see and shoot lions.

Miscellaneous.

HOW TO EXTRACT STAINS.—Oil usually found with a "rule of contrary," and when you have made a hole sufficiently large, nothing will be found there. The sensibility of this process is so remarkable as its rapidity. One moment it's stain in, the next moment it's stain out.

A policeman on night duty sends us the following interesting advertisement, as one that with many young men, the most approved method of winding up the night, is reading it home.

THE GAMBLER SOLD.—At an agricultural fair, a thimble-rigging woman was arrested by the constables, and was about to be taken before a justice of the peace for examination. The justice, desirous of understanding the ways of the world, supposed the culprit to give him a sample of his skill. "The party immediately produced a beech-nut stump, also a delectable whisk across the bench, and remarked:

"You see, sir, the quarter under this stump?"

"What," interrupted the dignified functionary, "do you mean to say that there is a quarter there?"

"Yes," was the reply.

"No such thing," said the justice.

"I'll bet you a dozen cigars it is," said the juggler.

"Agreed!" exclaimed "the bench."

With accustomed adroitness the stump was withdrawn, when lo! there was the quarter.

"Well," said the disappointed justice, "I would not have believed it, if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes. There is your crown, and you are fined five pounds for gambling contrary to the statute in such case provided."

The elongated countenance of the discomfited gambler required no additional evidence to testify his appreciation of "the act."

—A crew that ought never to be loosed—a ship's crew.

—An arch girl should always be in another, for she can bend her beau as she pleases.

The Hero of Sugar Plum.

[A STRANGER.]

Who is the hero of Sugar Plum,
Of whom the people all do talk?
Of whom the papers all do write,
Whose glorious deed of the battle-field,
Shone wonderful feat of fight.

Shame shall not move when the foeful game
Of war is played, for justly he
The glory held, whose brain conceived
So subtle and black a strategy.

Oh, stranger, here at our gay old city,
Where the people all do talk
Of the great, and I had but under left,
And never a shot to be heard.

No, I stayed my right at a rebel picnic,
Of three days' merry range and glee,
And when the fun of the battle was done,
And bathed the head of the army.

I'm head O Retreat of Battery B,
Of hero of Sugar Plum,
Also I fear that my account's thrall
Can scarcely search in the Sheet paper.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

STOCK OFFICE,
TUESDAY EVENING, November 8, 1864.

We have but little change to report in the general market, to-day, the movement in most articles continuing to be on a extremely limited scale, but our breadstuffs line shows some animation, the business reaching about 750 bales on the basis of $200 to $20 for Middling, Gillett having been appointed Agent of Exchange, to May Gen Hitchcock, Commissioner of Exchange for the United States. Mr. Cuddy's communication in substance recited that in these days a prospect of a large number of prisoners being held by both sides during the coming winter, it is desirable that such belligerents, without being freed from the obligation of feeding and clothing the prisoners held by them respectively, should be allowed to furnish their own supplies to the other's hands with such additional comforts as humanity may prompt. He therefore proposed that two shall be permitted to send to the boats clothing, blankets and supplies for our prisoners in the hands of the Confederates, they being allowed to do the same by their prisoners in our hands. He further proposed that the vessels should be allowed to purchase abroad the articles intended for their prisoners held by us.

This overture was referred to Gen Grant, who replied in a communication to Gen. Hitchcock, under date of the 7th inst., accepting Mr. Cuddy's proposition, and stating that he was authorized by the Secretary of War to make arrangements for the mutual relief of prisoners held by the two parties. "Looking," he added, "entirely to the alleviation of the sufferings of those held in captivity, I will not interpose any obstacle to any path that may be agreed upon that your original purpose in view."

This letter, the following day, Gen. Lee replied to Gen. Grant, acknowledging the receipt of his communication, and stated, that he had been authorized by the rebel War Department to enter into an arrangement on the part of the rebel States. The details were soon after arranged between the Commissioners named, and the agreement signed by Gen. Grant on the 11th inst.

The agreement is in substance as French Minister to Washington with accepted a place as low down in the list of diplomats as that occupied by the Marquis de Chateaurenaud, does not look as if the French Government attached much importance to the relations with the Government of the United States. The new Minister, who is yet young, was but a short time ago a Secretary of Legation, and has only served once at the head of a Legation, and that at the petty court of Hesse, where the important information took him. It is not that the successor of M Mercier may not be a man of talent, but in a distance of one month, where a Minister is required there to act on his own judgment, one would suppose that the Government would prefer a man who had enjoyed a longer experience in diplomacy.

It may be remarked, also, that in the case that of jumping to the secondary courts, the new minister to Washington is the only third man. Does the Government of France suppose that, in the eyes of the American people, says the deficiency in grade will be compensated for by the magnitude of the subsidiary gift?

The Fortifications at Lynchburg.

The Lynchburg News of the 1st inst. says:

We have recently made an examination of the fortifications that General Colston is constructing on the Amherst side of the river. Many and important additions to the old works are being made. There is no exaggeration in our saying now that the fortifications on this Amherst side were too meagre and totally inadequate to the purpose of defense. They could easily have been taken, and many approaches to the city have been thereby given to a cavalry force. The line is nearly perfect now and we shall soon have works that will command every pass and ravine through which approach to the city could either side be gained.

—Kiss.—A receipt given on "paying your addresses."

MARINE NEWS.

Port of New Orleans, Nov. 9, 1864.

CLEARED YESTERDAY.

Steamship Commander, Powers, for New York, via Havana, by Bliss.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Q M Transport Steamship North America, Marshall, from New York, via Key West, to U S Quartermaster.

STEAMBOAT.

Star, Pfeiffenmeyer, for Baton Rouge.

Ship Telumachus, Scull, from Liverpool via Key West.

Barque Ida Melmed, Ritter, from Philadelphia.

Brig Belle Creole, Hall, from Philadelphia.

Schr Rachel J Ayers, Godfrey, from Philadelphia.

DEPARTED FROM THE PASS.

Steamship Empire, Williamson, for Mobile.

Steamship Cahawba, Lewis, for Mobile.

Steamship Matamoras, Lockwood, for Brazos Santiago.

Steamship Mississippi, Hallett, for Galveston.

Steamship Fashion, Hallett, for Galveston.

Steamship Morgan, Fish, for Galveston.

Steamship Cleopatra, Pell, Wakefield, being manufactured, by him, he can sell them cheaper than any other house in the trade. Apply at the establishment of Conner and Fleming and American Perfumery, No. 5 Camp street.

Youth for preserving and beautifying the Complexion and Skin, guaranteed one of the best articles in the world.

A large Saloon is specially assigned for Hair Dressing, Shampooing and Hair Dyeing for the ladies and gentlemen.

A liberal discount to the ladies dressers of balls.

FELIX SABORD,
122 Riverside street, corner Girod.

Notice to the Public and to the Tax Payers.

THE undersigned, employed from a number of years in the assessing department of the State and City, solicits the patronage of the public and of the tax payers, and to assist them in the valuation of their property in the city. He will also, if desirable, collect their taxes, and cause to be refunded any amount paid in excess.

Apply at the office of the Bank Assessor, No. 70 (up stairs), Carondelet street, between Common and Gravier streets. JOHN T. DENIGER.

Stationery and Blankbooks.

E. R. WAGENER,
IS EMPLOYED BETWEEN THE PLANTERS AND TERMS OFFICES.

OFFICE AND WAREHOUSE, 26 Carondelet street, between Common and Gravier streets.

COAL, WOOD, &c.

PITTSBURGH AND ANTHRACITE COAL, FIRE WOOD, for sale delivered in quantities to suit purchasers.

GEORGE CORVELL,
Cor. Carondelet and Gravier streets.

WOOD... WOOD... WOOD.

JOHN PELTIER respectfully informs his friends and the public in general that he has always on hand a large supply of Oak, Hickory and Pine, hard wood, also a large assortment of cypress shingles, which he offers for sale at very moderate prices. Orders promptly executed by

JOHN PELTIER,
Corner of Independence and Dryades streets.

COAL... COAL... COAL.

GREAT REDUCTION.

J. M. Cusack's Hill, Cumberland Vein
No. 235.

THE owner of the above property, being exceeded in cutting expenses, is now enabled to greatly reduce the price of Lump. Send him in any quantity and he will deliver it at $10 per ton, or $5 per half ton at 5 cents, and $2 a barrel below that number, for the

MILLINERY... DRESSES.

Mrs. CLYMPE,

RESPECTFULLY informs her friends and customers in the City and in the country that on the 1st of October and the following days she will open, at No. 6 Bienville street, a fine assortment of Goods selected by herself in Europe, which will be sold at the lowest prices.

ORIGINAL STORE,
No. 6 Bienville street.

TO THE LADIES.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the numerous customers that he has removed from Bayonne street No. 242 corner Bayonne and Florida streets to No. 242 corner Bayonne and Gravier, where he will continue to supply them with Groceries, Provisions, Wines, Segars, Liquors, &c., at the lowest prices for cash.

JOHN B. DUPUY.

Notice.

ALL persons indebted to the firm of GILQUIST & CO. are hereby notified to call and settle their accounts between the 1st and 15th of November, after which time all accounts will be handed out for collection. All those having accounts against the firm will present them for payment.

GILQUIST & CO.

Notice.

ALL powers of attorney heretofore granted by me are hereby revoked from and after this day.

New Orleans, November 8th, 1864. nov9 3t

Notice.

I A moment of pause, and Rhinegold is ... sad, I changed my wife, Emeline Trepagnier, with ... Rhinegold, for my friend, Alfred Trepagnier. My wife never left her parents' dwelling, where she resides. I declare that she is blameless and innocent in all that has passed.

nov9 3t JULES FELIX GALLE.

René Gutierrez, Auctioneer.

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public that having been duly constituted agent, as Auctioneer, by the Court of Probates, he will give his whole attention to the execution of the duties of that office, and will sell at the Merchants' Exchange, Royal street, between Common and Gravier streets, on TUESDAY, TH