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**NEW ORLEANS:**
FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 25, 1863.

**Sales at Auction To-Day.**

By J. B. Crozat, at 11 o'clock, at No. 86 Royal street, New Years' and holiday gifts.

**Auction Sales on Saturday.**

By R. T. Montgomery, at 10½ o'clock, at Freret's cotton press, 100 horses.

By Phinney & Amory, at 11 o'clock, foot of Conti street, sugar.

By J. B. Crozat, at 12 o'clock, at Auctioneers' Exchange, tract of ground.

By the Sheriff, at 12 o'clock, at Auctioneers' Exchange, lots of ground; at 4½ o'clock, at No. 4 Union street, furniture.

By R. T. Montgomery, at 12 o'clock, at Opelousas Railroad landing, sugar and molasses; at 1 o'clock, at 93 Camp street, 230 bales cotton.

By McCerren & Landry, at 11 o'clock, at their auction mart, furniture.

NOTICE.—In order that we may contribute to the general participation of the newspaper employees of the city in the festival of Christmas, we will issue no evening edition of the *Bee* to-day, and no morning edition on Saturday. Our next regular edition will be on Saturday afternoon.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT. For sores scurvy, wounds, small pox fevers, and bowel complaints, these medicines are the best in the world. Every French soldier uses them. Only 25 cents per box.

McCerren & Landry will sell to-morrow morning a valuable piece of property on Julia street, a good opportunity for a profitable investment. See their advertisement.

FURNITURE SALE BY THE SHERIFF.—The Sheriff will proceed to-morrow, Saturday, at half-past 10 o'clock A. M., on the premises No. 120 Bienville street, between Dauphine and Burgundy streets, to a sale of very handsome furniture, to which the attention of furniture dealers is particularly called.

Cotton dealers will do well to attend the sale of 250 bales cotton, by R. T. Montgomery, on Saturday, 26th inst., at 1 o'clock, at the sales room, 93 Camp street. A large portion is of the higher grades, and very desirable.

The auction sales of R. T. Montgomery for Saturday, 26th inst., comprise 100 horses, for account of the U. S. Government, at Freret's cotton press, corner of Freret and Poydras streets, at 10½ o'clock, many of them fine animals, and sold only in consequence of falling below standard size. At 1 o'clock, at salesroom 250 bales cotton.

THE LOUISIANA ALMANAC FOR 1864.—We have before us a copy of the *Almanach de la Louisiane* for 1864, published by Francis Bouvain, stationer, at the sign of the bronze pen, Bourbon street. It is neatly executed, and its contents are in many respects unique and original, and of such merit as to excite pride and pleasure in all who desire the success of home enterprise. Its humorous illustrations of the seasons show no inconsiderable artistic ingenuity. Besides the usual information of the almanac, it contains a variety of statistical, historical and literary matter, including a review of the events of 1863.

DR. MCDOWELL.—From a late number of the Edinburgh *Courant* it appears that Dr. McDowell, formerly the head of a well known institution in Missouri, called McDowell's College, and who was among the prominent secessionists of that State, is now in Scotland delivering lectures.

**Christmas.**

It would have required of late no profound observer to discover, without the aid of the almanac, or the faithful columns of a grave and respectable contemporary, that Christmas was near at hand. Preliminary pyrotechnics of a cheap Chinese description, a general agitation among the *genus puer*, and an increasing glow of expectation in every class and denomination of the youthful community had, for a week or more, given unmistakable signs of the approach of childhood's happiest, merriest, maddest time of all the year. Toy shops and confectioneries soon added their gorgeous testimony to the rest; then sacrificial turkies—$8 turkies—were brought upon the scene to crown the glorious proof that we were but one terrestrial rotation from the Christmas holidays.

At last the burnished wheels of time, rolling with furious but delightful speed, brought us to the rosy verge of the day itself. The wagon of Santa Claus was heard, in many a childish fancy, rumbling over housetops, heaped full of untold and inestimable wonders and "goodies." Then we passed to another atmosphere, to breathe which is like drinking an invigorating and exhilarating elixir.

That man, however wise or eminent, however seriously occupied, who, if not participating in, cannot sympathize with the innocent jollity of the time, and can catch no glow from the happiness of children scattering sunshine in the shadiest places, is far below envy, but decidedly not above pity.

It will not do to pause and reason upon the subject of Christmas pleasures. Look at the joys of a more pretentious character. How many of them will bear analysis? How few of them, indeed, have not in their secret core some moral taint, whose poison creeps into the blood and life of their votaries? The trail of the serpent is almost sure to be on the path to which they beckon. But the peculiar merit of enjoyments such as those traditionally connected with Christmas, is that they defy and are independent of analysis. There is nothing about them to analyze. They are unreasoning, uncalculating, spontaneous. They are transparent, and therefore innocent, for guilty enjoyment always seeks disguise and sophistication. But their transparency is not unsubstantial; it is that of light and warmth.

Men are better and healthier for every recurrence of the Christmas period. The older or the more jaded they are, the more they need its refreshing influences.

THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The splendid holiday programme will be inaugurated by all the strength of the tripple circus at their Academy to-day, with two entertainments, one at noon, the other in the evening.

THE VARIETIES THEATRE.—Expectation was not disappointed here last night in respect to a numerous and brilliant attendance to witness the production of Colleen Bawn. Nor was there on the score of vivid and picturesque scenery and skilful mechanical contrivance any mentionable ground. As regards striking incident and effective scenery, the performance may be pronounced a decided success.

With respect to the acting, we must reserve comment for another time.

THE DUKE'S RAZORS.—My friend, George Smyth, the late Lord Strangford, once told me that, staying at Walmer Castle with the Duke of Wellington, the Duke informed him one morning at breakfast that he was obliged to go up to London immediately, as all his razors required setting, but he would be back to dinner. Lord Strangford very naturally offered to lend the Duke his razors, which, luckily for the Duke, he did not accept; for Lord S., who was somewhat careless about his personal appearance, shaved with razors something like miniature saws, which made one shudder to look at. Lord S. then offered to take the razors to Dover, but the Duke replied: "The man who always sharpens my razors has sharpened them many years. I would not trust them with any one else. He lives in Jermyn street, and there they must go. So you see, Strangford, every man has a weak point, and my weak point is about the sharpening of my razors. Perhaps you are not aware that I shave myself and brush my own clothes; and I regret that I cannot clean my own boots; for men servants bore me, and the presence of a crowd of idle fellows annoys me more than I can tell you.—*Gronow's Reminiscences.*

THE HEENAN AND KING FIGHT.—The news by the last steamer shows this affair to be progressing very favorably. This brings dates down to November 22d, the 26th being the day set for the last deposit. King's friends are taking all the bets they can get at 4 to 6. A prominent sporting man in New York bets $6000 to $10,000 on King. The English people deny that it is an international fight, and believe it will be a sharp battle.

## Late Southern News, Via Mobile.

The *Era* gives the following news from Mobile papers from the 11th to the 15th.

FROM CHARLESTON.

*Charleston*, December 11.—The enemy again shelled the city at different intervals during the day. Some six buildings were struck, but no person was injured.

About 9 o'clock this morning Fort Sumter took fire from some cause, unknown as yet, and the flames communicated to some outer timber work on the southwest angle. The wood work was burned, and some ammunition destroyed. Several casualties occurred. The particulars have not been received.

The enemy's land batteries opened heavily on the fort during the progress of the fire, which was replied to from Fort Moultrie and our batteries.

*Charleston*, December 12.—The casualties in Fort Sumter yesterday were ten killed and thirty wounded.

Among the killed are Capt. Frost, A. C. S.; Sergt. Swanson, S. C. Artillery. Capt. Gaillard's company of regulars lost three killed and two wounded. Lieut. Colonel Elliott was slightly wounded in the head by a piece of brick, but remains in command. P. C. Elliott, of the Signal Corps, is among the severely wounded.

There was no firing last night, and no more shelling of the city.

*Charleston*, December 12.—There is nothing new to-day. Very little firing has passed between the batteries, and there has been no firing of importance on Fort Sumter. Full particulars of the accident at Fort Sumter are not yet received, but are expected to-night.

ESCAPE OF JOHN MORGAN INTO VIRGINIA.

*Richmond*, December 12.—The *Enquirer* learns that Gen. Morgan crossed the Ohio river near Ashland, Va., and made his way to the Confederate lines. It is not known when he will visit Richmond.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS AT RICHMOND.

*Richmond*, December 11.—The interest of Congress to-day was in the House, in which a large number of resolutions of inquiry into the conduct of the several departments of Government, and calls upon the President for information on various subjects, were adopted.

The bill which passed the Senate yesterday, repealing the substitute law, is before the House, and evidently received with favor by a large majority of the House. The rules were suspended for the purpose of putting it on its passage but a defect in it was suggested and it was referred.

A resolution was adopted calling on the President for a copy of General Jos. E. Johnston's report of the Mississippi campaign; another calling for all the correspondence between him and the Government, and the orders issued by him during the period, another calling for the official reports of the commanders of all the armies, another calls on the President for the names of all defaulting disbursing officers, with their defaults, another inquiring into the expediency of putting all able-bodied men into the field, and supplying their places with disabled soldiers; another calling for the number of exempts in each State and Congressional District, and the number of exempts for each of the several causes, another to know how many able-bodied men employed in the quartermaster and commissary departments had been sent to the field in compliance with the law of last session, and the orders issued to that effect by the Adjutant General, another inquiring into rumors and charges and frauds, corruption, gross neglect of duty, and maladministration in the quartermaster and commissary departments, on this resolution one member on the floor preferred these charges against at least one high official by name, and said one other had been seen by a member of Congress betting largely at faro; another that the President furnish the House the number of men in each Congressional District engaged in executing the conscript law, and how many were mounted; another instructing the Military Committee to inquire into the expediency of conscripting 100,000 able-bodied slaves to serve as teamsters, cooks and laborers in the army.

**River News.**

At St. Louis, on the evening of the 11th, the Mississippi was rising slowly, as it was also doing at Quincy. At Cincinnati, at noon, a rise in the Ohio was reported of one foot eight inches, with ten feet in the channel. Weather cloudy with a light snow, there having been heavy rain on Saturday night. The weather at St. Louis was cold, the streets frozen hard. No ice had appeared in the river, but plenty was expected in the morning.

Business on the landing was exceedingly dull, and no boats are advertised direct for New Orleans.

At Cairo, the Empress and Continental were receiving freight for New Orleans.

**Western Markets.**

*Cincinnati*, December 11, P. M.—Flour is 10c higher, owing to the rise in the river and the large quantity (7000 bbls) taken by the United States Commissary. Super $5 65 to $5 75; extra $5 90 to $6, and trade brands $6 to $6 50.

Corn in fair demand for new at 93 to 95c, but old is not saleable at over $1 03 in bulk and $1 27 in bags. Oats active at 80c., but are held 2c higher.

Whiskey advanced 2c, and active at 95c. Sales 2000 bbls.

Provisions dull. Mess pork $18. Lard 12c., and more sellers than buyers. Groceries quiet. Sugar, ¼c lower.

Gold, 49; silver, 42. Exchange steady.

*St. Louis*, December 14, 2 P. M.—The market is most articles dull and drooping. Cotton unchanged. Flour remains dull, and prices low. Flour dull, sales 893 bbls, including superfine at $5 25, single X at $5 87½, and double X at $6 25 to $6 50.

Whiskey—Sales 54 bbls. ordinary proof at 86, and 20 at 90c.

Corn—The market opened active and closed firm at an advance, with the indications of still going higher, with sales of 8570 sks, including 4300 sks in various lots.

Green Fruit—Sales of 135 bbls apples, good, at $2 25, and 210 bbls. choice mixed at $3 50. Dried fruit $1 35 to $1 50.

## CITY INTELLIGENCE.

*First District Court, Judge Husband*—Mich Hennessy, a youthful cabdriver, was found guilty yesterday of having, on the 11th inst., at the fire on New Levee and Gravier streets, committed an assault and battery on the person of one Wyman, with a fireman's spanner. In consideration of his youth he was sentenced only to six months imprisonment, with a sharp lecture.

Ch. Baker who keeps a coffeehouse near the Jackson Railroad Depot, was tried yesterday on the charge of having committed, on All Saints day, an assault and battery on one Peter Faily, in wounding him with a knife. An overdose of liquor, an insult to the landlady and a mutual challenge appeared in the case. Accused was zealously defended by Messrs. Coleman and J. E. Wallace. Mr. Thomas, with a clear, logical argument, the last for this year, damaged the accused to such an extent, that the Jury, in a very short time, brought in a verdict of guilty.

Ann Elens, convicted of an assault and battery on Cath Flannery, was sentenced to an imprisonment of thirty days.

Mich. Wheelan pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery. He had, with a bludgeon, in a barbarous manner knocked three teeth from the jaws of his victim, and was sentenced to two years imprisonment.

*Provost Court—Judge Atocha presiding.*—Tim Donahue was convicted of having stolen a horse, the property of the Government, and was sentenced to Tortugas for six months.

John Derkin and Chas Tyler, for beating a negro boy, were workhoused for sixty days.

Geo Wilson tried to make a speculation, and furnished a sailor with citizens clothes to enlist him in the army. He was sent to Tortugas for six months.

John McWilliams, who disgraced a soldiers uniform by being drunk and disorderly, was sent to the Workhouse for sixty days.

*Inquests*—Henry Buck, a free man of color, a native of Virginia, aged 50 years, died at No 90 Liberty street from the effects of a "compound fracture of the right temporal bone and extravasation of blood on the brain."

The inquest in the case of the colored female child, wherein Joe Polydor, a deserter of the Corps d'Afrique, is charged, resulted in a verdict of murder and rape against said accused.

*Second District Recorder's Court—Chas. Beaumont, Esq., Presiding.*—This court disposed of a number of contraventions to the minor regulations and rule laid down for the conduct of individuals. They were not of public interest.

**Miscellaneous Items.**

Navvies in England are in the habit of selling leaden medallions, old ware, &c., which they represent as having been dug up while excavating for rail ways or other works. They are of course supplied to them by manufacturers of spurious antiquities, just as broken swords, pieces of helmets and such like are regularly planted on the field of Waterloo to be disinterred by curiosity hunters.

TRAIN YOUR PASSIONS.—Passions, like wild horses, when properly trained and disciplined, are capable of being applied to the noblest purpose; but when allowed to have their own way they become dangerous in the extreme.

Is it a libel to call a baker's apprentice a *kneady loafer*?

[FROM OUR EVENING EDITION OF YESTERDAY]

## The Latest from the North via the River.

FROM THE SEATS OF WAR IN VIRGINIA AND TENNESSEE.

**Reported Junction of Longstreet with Lee.**

RUMORED PEACE PROPOSALS.

**More About the Chesapeake.**

POLITICAL INTELLIGENCE FROM WASHINGTON.

**GOLD 50 1-2 IN NEW YORK.**

To-day's *Evening Picayune* contained exclusively the following, received by the steamer D. G. Taylor, which brought Western papers of the 15th and Memphis papers of the 18th.

**The Army of the Potomac.**

*Washington*, December 14.—Accounts from the Army of the Potomac state that reports are prevalent in camp that Longstreet has succeeded in effecting a junction with Lee, but after due inquiry it cannot be traced to any reliable source.

*Army of the Potomac*, December 13.—General Meade will retain his present position as Commander in chief of this army.

*Washington*, December 18.—Both the rebel army and our own have begun the construction of winter quarters.

Indications of quiet, never to be mistaken, are the liberal granting of furloughs by corps commanders and the return to camp of exiled sutlers.

A reconnoissance on Friday by the First Massachusetts and First Vermont, under Major Janway, towards Sperryville, furnished a little fight with a detachment of the Sixth Virginia, but developed no other force.

FROM CHATTANOOGA.

*Chattanooga*, December 11.—Colonel Watkins, commanding a Kentucky brigade, returned to-day from a cavalry reconnoissance as far as Lafayette. They dashed into Lafayette and captured the rebel signal station, six officers and forty privates. The balance of a large force of rebels fled.

A rumor prevails that Longstreet, in his retreat from Knoxville, lost 4000 prisoners and nearly all his cannon and train.

Gen. Palmer's resignation as commander of the Fourteenth Corps, which was accepted, has been recalled, and he is again in command.

Jas. Walker, a New York artist, has been commissioned to paint the battle of Chattanooga.

FROM WASHINGTON.

*Washington*, December 14th.—Fernando Wood's peace propositions were tabled to-day by a vote of nearly two to one. No debate took place. The border States men all voted with the Republicans, and also many Democrats.

The Ways and Means Committee are going to work on internal revenue. That on imports will be first considered.

An official investigation into the late retrograde movement of the army of the Potomac is about to be made. Gen. Meade demands it.

The Government has information that some 10,000 deserters from our army are in Canada, and that most of them are in a state of destitution. It is believed that a greater portion of them would rejoin their regiments if it were not for fear of arrest and sentence to be shot in being caught again.

The committees were duly announced in both Houses to-day, whereupon an immense number of memorials, bills and resolutions were introduced. The West came in for a large proportion of chairmanships of committees, and Pennsylvania, for once, was overlooked. Washburne, of Illinois, is chairman of the Committee on Commerce; Ashley, of Ohio, on Territories; Wilson, of Iowa, on Judiciary; Schenck, of Ohio, on Military; Arnold, of Illinois, on Roads and Canals; Lovejoy, of Illinois, on District of Columbia; Julian, of Indiana, on Public Lands; Price, of Iowa, on Revolutionary Claims; Windham, of Minnesota, on Indian Affairs, and Robinson on Mileage.

Some of the old members of committees were laid aside, who claimed, by parliamentary rule, to be entitled to chairmanships.

The Senate committees remain the same.

The conscription law was proposed to be amended by bill to-day as follows: to repeal of the $300 clause, and the exemption of all clergymen from liability to military service.

Senator Hale introduced a bill to abolish slavery. It provides that hereafter all persons in the United States are equal in the eyes of the law, and all claims of personal service except that founded on contract and claim of parent to minor child, and sentence for punishment of crime, be forever abolished, any thing in the constitution and laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding.

A select committee of nine will be announced to-morrow in the House on the Bureau of Emancipation.

**Rumored Proposals of Peace—No Doubt in Canada.**

ANOTHER STOCK GOSSIP CANARD.

*Washington*, December 15.—The *Chronicle* to-day publishes a rumor which it is not able to verify, but believes to be true and not improbable, to the effect that Alex H. Stephens and five others had come down to Fort Monroe on a flag of truce with proposals of peace—that they asked to be received in their official character as Commissioners of the Southern Confederacy, but their request was refused.

Inquiry was made this morning in a quarter where such a fact, if it existed, would probably be known, but nothing was obtained confirmatory of the rumor.

THE SUPPLIES FOR FEDERAL PRISONERS.

*Baltimore*, December 15.—The following dispatch has been received this morning:

To C. C. Fulton, *Baltimore American*.

*Fort Monroe*, December 12th.—Please give notice that the rebel authorities decline receiving any more packages or provisions for the Union prisoners, so that parties interested may refrain from forwarding any more goods to this point.

[Signed] B. F. BUTLER, Major General Commanding.

Rev. Mr. Terrance, who went to City Point with Dr. C. C. Barkley, returned this morning. He had an interview with Capt. Hatch, who was sent from Richmond to meet him. He informed him of the above decision of the Confederate Government, and gave, as a reason therefor, what they alleged to be an imputation on their honor, by the press and Government authorities, that they were not delivering the goods forwarded in good faith to the prisoners, and asserted that of his own knowledge the officers in the Libby Prison, from the immense supplies they received, could set a table from the stores on hand equal to any hotel in the United States.

He admitted there had been some irregularity in the supplies at one time, but the officer who had been guilty of neglecting prisoners had been promptly relieved and punished. As to the bad condition of the prisoners returned to Annapolis, he said they were extreme cases of consumption, and that it was a grave error on the part of the authorities to have allowed such prisoners to return. For the present, nothing will be received but letters and enclosures of money, and Southern money had better be sent.

PURSUIT OF THE CHESAPEAKE.

*Portland*, December 13.—A dispatch from Halifax, this morning, states that the steamer Chesapeake left Shelburne Saturday morning, with an increased crew and three chaldrons of coal. She was supposed to be on the track of some coal vessels.

**General News.**

*Louisville*, December 13.—Tobacco has advanced from $4 to $7 per 100 pounds since Friday morning.

*New York*, December 14.—The *Tribune* says a committee of the National Council of Loyal Leaguers waited on the President on Friday, and strongly urged him, as a duty to the Administration and the country, to remove Postmaster General Blair, Attorney General Bates, and Gens. Halleck and Schofield.

*San Francisco*, December 11.—F. P. Lowe was inaugurated to-day as Governor for the ensuing four years. His message, which is devoted mainly to pledges concerning State policy, receives general commendation. It considers it a cause for congratulation that the election of ardent friends of liberty and Union to represent California in Congress by 20,000 majority must finally destroy all hope which foreign or domestic foes of the United States may ever have entertained of receiving aid and comfort from the Pacific coast.

**New York Markets.**

*New York*, December 14, P. M.—Cotton is 1c. better, with less doing, at 82 for Middling Uplands.

Money easy and in fair demand at 6 to 7c. Sterling exchange quiet at 161¾ to 161½. Gold irregular and unsettled, opening at 50, declining to 49⅞, advancing to 50⅝, and closing heavy at 50⅜ to 50½.

Flour more active, and shipping grades are 5c higher, at $6 30 to $6 50 for extra State, chiefly at $6 40 to 6 45; $7 40 to 7 55 for extra round hoop Ohio, and $7 60 to 9 50 for trade brands, closing firm.

Whisky heavy at 83 to 89 for State and Western.

Pork dull and heavy at $17 12½ to 17 25 for old mess; $18 50 for new do; $12 to 12 50 for new prime; $16 50 to 17 for new prime mess.

**From the Report of Secretary Chase.**

The estimated receipt from all sources for the last fiscal year ending 30th of June, 1863 were $180,495,345; actual receipts, $124,443,313. The total estimated expenditure for all purposes, was $893,346,321, while the actual disbursements amounted to $714,709,995. From the actual expenditures $714,709,995 58, there must be deducted the actual receipts, $124,443,313 29, in order to show the amount derived from loans, $590,266,682 29, which sum added to the amount of the debt on the 1st July, 1862, $508,526,499 08, (heretofore erroneously stated at $514,211,371 92,) gives as the true amount of debt on the 1st July, 1863, $1,098,793,181 37.

ESTIMATES FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

The total estimated receipts for the year ending June 30th, 1864, based on actual returns for the last quarter ending September 30th, 1863, from ordinary sources of revenue, including customs, internal revenue, lands, and miscellaneous sources amount to [illegible]

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| Actual and estimated receipts from loans | [illegible] |
| Total actual and estimated receipts from all sources, for 1864 | $755,[illegible] |
| The expenditures may be stated as follows: For the first quarter ending September 30, 1863, the actual disbursements have been | |
| Civil Service | $7,[illegible] |
| Pensions and Indians | [illegible] |
| War Department | 144,[illegible] |
| Navy Department | 16,[illegible] |
| Interest on Public Debt | 4,[illegible] |
| Actual expenditures for first quarter | $76,110,[illegible] |
| For the remaining three quarters the estimates founded on appropriations and estimated deficiencies, are as follows: | |
| Civil Service | $[illegible] |
| Pensions and Indians | [illegible] |
| War Department | 741,[illegible] |
| Navy Department | [illegible] |
| Interest on Public Debt | 54,[illegible] |
| | [illegible] |
| Making a total aggregate of actual and estimated expenditures of | $1,099,[illegible] |
| But as these estimates include an unexpended balance of appropriations from former years, they are necessarily much too large, and there may be safely deducted from their aggregate, as likely to remain unexpended at the close of the fiscal year, the sum of | 350,000,000 |
| Leaving the total actual and estimated expenditures for 1864 | $749,[illegible] |
| The total of expenditures being deducted from the total receipts there will be an estimated balance on the 30th of June, 1864, of | $5,[illegible] |
| From this statement it appears that the total receipts required for the probable disbursements of the year amounted, estimated balance at its close, would amount to | $755,[illegible] |
| Of which there have been provided and applied during the first quarter | [illegible] |
| Leaving to be provided | $[illegible] |
| Deduct estimated receipts from ordinary sources during the other three quarters | [illegible] |
| Leaving yet to be provided for by loan | $424,[illegible] 67 |

The debt created during the quarter amounted to $120,812,132, which, added to the sum to be provided by loans during the next three quarters, makes a total estimated increase of the public debt for the year ending June 30, 1864, of $588,[illegible]. The debt on the 1st of July, 1863 was $1,098,793,[illegible], to which, if the estimated increase is added, the total debt on the 1st of July, 1864, will amount to $1,686,956,641, instead of $1,744,[illegible] as estimated in the report of last December. Vigor in the prosecution of the war, and economy in the expenditure, may reduce disbursements, and consequent increase in the public debt below these figures.

The estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1865, calculated on the continuance of the war, are given. The aggregate receipts from ordinary sources are placed at $[illegible], expenditures, $1,151,815,088. From this sum $400,000,000 is deducted, as the amount likely to remain undrawn at that time, which will reduce the actual expenditure for the year 1865 to $751,815,088, leaving $544,978,518 to be provided by loan.

NATIONAL DEBT.

Assuming the correctness of the estimate which puts the debt on the 1st of July, 1864, at $1,686,956,641 44, it will result from these estimates that the whole debt will have reached on the 30th of June, 1865, the sum of $2,231,[illegible].

The average rate of interest on the whole debt, without regard to the varying margin between coin and notes, was on the first day of July, 1862, 4.36 per centum, on the first day of January, 1863, 4.02 per centum, on the first day of July, 1863, [illegible] per centum, and on the first day of October, 1863, 3.95 per centum.

INCREASE OF TAXES.

The Secretary, while submitting estimates for large loans, thinks it prudent to urge on Congress efficient measures for the increase of revenue. Additional income may be derived from a modification of the import duties, but the chief reliance must be on internal duties. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue recommends an increase of the tax on bank note circulation to two and two fifths per cent., an increase of the duty on distilled spirits to sixty cents per gallon; an increase of the duty on tobacco to twenty cents per pound on leaf, and from five to twelve cents, according to quality, on manufactured; a duty of ten cents per gallon on crude petroleum, a duty of two cents per pound on cotton; the repeal of the tobacco and petroleum drawbacks, and various other changes in the internal revenue laws, designed to augment the receipts from this source. In the particular recommendations just mentioned the Secretary fully concurs, and commends all his suggestions to careful attention. The enactment of such laws as will secure an increase of the internal revenue to the amount originally estimated, of one hundred and fifty millions a year, is required by the strongest considerations of public policy.

## CITY INTELLIGENCE.

*Mortuary Report.*—The following is the weekly report of deaths in the city of New Orleans, from the 13th of December to the 20th:

Total number 137.

Ages—Under 1 year, 15; 1 to 2 years, 6; 2 to 5 years, 17; 5 to 10 years, 5; 10 to 15 years, 2; 15 to 20 years, 3; 20 to 25 years, 5; 25 to 30 years, 8; 30 to 40 years, 15; 40 to 50 years, 8; 50 to 60 years, 9; 60 to 70 years, 6; 70 to 80 years, 2; 80 to 90 years, 5; 90 to 100 years, 1; 100 and upwards, 0; unknown, 19. Total, 137.

Nativities—Africa, 1; England 1; France 6; Germany 6; Ireland, 19; Switzerland, 1; United States, 61; West Indies, 1; not stated, 47—Total, 159.

Whites, 99; black 28; mulattoes 10. Total, 137. Males 82, females 52.

*First District Recorder's Court—Judge Vennard.*—M. Sullivan, Mike Regan and G. Lentz were before the Court yesterday, on the charge of having indulged in a private fight on the Levee. Lentz first figured as the injured individual who had been beset by the others, who had challenged him to a three cornered fight, wherein Sullivan got knocked down, and carried off a black eye, when Regan stood by with a shovel in his hands, threatening instant death to Lentz. Further investigation showed that Lentz knocked down Sullivan who was drunk, and that Regan threatened with his shovel to keep Lentz from punishing Sullivan any more with a rock he had applied to his cranium.

The behavior of Lentz did not appear very favorable for him. The court said such scenes should be suppressed and ordered the parties to find peace bonds in the sum of $250, and pay a fine of $10 each; excepting Sullivan, who, as a true son of march, went to Captain Foley's office and donned the uniform.

Mary Jane Hayden was brought before Recorder Vennard on the old charge and was fined $25, or four months in the Workhouse.

The colored men Johnson and Pickett, were fined $5 each or 30 days, for having been found under suspicious circumstances.

Sundry contraventions to City Ordinance No. 514, were met with fines of $5 each.

MAKE GOODNESS AGREEABLE.—Archbishop Usher says: "If good people would but make their goodness agreeable, and smile instead of howling in their virtue, how many would they win to the good cause."

THE HEAVIER.—A man asked another, "Which is the heavier, a quart of gin or a quart of water?"—"Gin, most assuredly, for I saw a man who weighs two hundred pounds staggering under a quart of gin, when he would have carried a gallon of water with ease."

In order to increase the President's pay without violating the explicit letter of the Constitution, it is announced that a bill will be shortly introduced into Congress for the payment of his salary hereafter, as well as what is in arrear, in gold, which will in effect increase his pay to $37,500 a year.

EASY TRICK.—With the aid of alcohol you can easily make a *rag a muffin*. This trick has never been known to fail.

Many a girl, who is as tender as a turtle before marriage, becomes a *snapping turtle* afterwards.

The ship that wrecks many a statesman.—Partizan ship.

Woman's substitute for fat—Crino-*lean*.

Wanted at the paint shops.—The color of an excuse.

In the Divorce Court on the 26th November, the Judge pronounced a decree *nisi* for a dissolution of the marriage between Sir John Crampton (ex-British Minister at Washington), and Miss Balfe, on the ground that the marriage had not been consummated.

Short tempered tradesmen are always remarkable for the *acid*-ity with which they attend to business.

**Crime in Kansas.**

[From the St. Louis Republican.]

TERRIBLE OUTRAGE.—The Leavenworth *Times* publishes an account of a murder and robbery committed on last Wednesday night, about twelve miles from that city, on the road to Atchison. A gang of men visited the house of a Mr. Hays, called him out and shot him. Two sons of the murdered man, and the owner of a mule train, whom they had come to rob, took their guns and rushed into the fight, mortally wounding one of them, and wounding another severely. One of the wounded men is said to belong to the Kansas Fifteenth. The same gang had visited and robbed another family the same night. Such outrages call for the promptest and severest measures of repression. Kansas will be ruined speedily unless the thieves and robbers can be put under.

HORRIBLE.—The body of a boy named Pitts was found near Oskaloosa, Jefferson county, Kansas, one day last week, badly mutilated by hogs. He had been missing some three or four weeks. Near him was found the limb of a tree with a rope attached. His family had the reputation of being horse thieves, but why a boy only fourteen years of age should be hung by reason of that is a mystery.

ROBBERY AND THE CONSEQUENCES.—The Doniphan county *Patriot* says: On Monday night last, Mr. Peter Groh, living between Wathena and Elwood, heard some persons removing his beehives. He hailed them and in reply was shot at. He returned the fire and hit a boy by the name of Gallion, who was carrying off a beehive, under the left eye. The wound is probably mortal. Mr. Groh was arrested and taken to Elwood. We consider the shooting justifiable.

The people of White Cloud have formed an anti-thief society. Let the organization be extended all over the State, devoted particularly to horse thieves.—*Leavenworth Times.*

Two horses were stolen from a man named Higgins, in Kaw bottom, a mile or two east of the mouth of the Grasshopper, on Monday last. The thieves made a straight shoot for Leavenworth, which appears to be headquarters for such gentry, and a safe asylum for all stolen property.—*Oskaloosa Independent.*

Grandville Adkins, Esq., was arrested in Leavenworth last week, and fined $50 and costs for disloyalty. Is disloyalty a violation of the municipal laws of a Kansas town? All men from this side of the river are disloyal, and therefore liable to fine and imprisonment, so say the officials of Leavenworth.—*Platte City Atlas.*

The Oskaloosa *Independent* has the following:

A man named Bosler was killed by another man in Jackson county, a few days ago, under the following circumstances: Some time ago, the two men had had a difficulty, and Bosler drew a knife on the other, threatening his life, but the bystanders separated the parties, and so the matter then ended. But the other day Bosler met the gentleman riding along the road, and approached him, said he then had him, and there was no one to interfere, at the same time placing his hand in his bosom as if to draw a weapon. The gentleman had his hand on his revolver in his overcoat pocket, and drawing it out shot Bosler dead on the spot. On examining the body of the deceased, it was ascertained that he was entirely unarmed, and it is supposed he designed merely to alarm the gentleman.

MIXTURE FOR A COUGH OR COLD.—Soak a teacupful of flaxseed all night. In the morning put into a kettle two quarts of water, a handful of liquorice root split up, one quarter of a pound of raisins broken in half. Let them boil till the strength is extracted, then add the flaxseed, which has been previously soaked. Let all boil half an hour or more, watching and stirring that the mixture may not burn. Then strain and add lemon juice and sugar.

A POLITICAL APOLOGUE.—Concerning the proposed Congress the London *Times* has an apologue of thirty-two verses, signed "P. C.," in which Napoleon is likened to a pike, Earl Russell to a trout "accustomed to write," the Pikes to dace, who had been pushed out of the region assigned to them by three stronger fishes chief whom was the perch. Thereupon the pike, who has not always lived in the lake, but has been schooled in adversity, starved upon frogs in a brook, and experienced the taste of a hook, invites all the fishes to assemble at his home and discuss *his* ideas of fish, and reconstruct the chart of the lake. But the fishes cannot believe that a pike's invitation can be only to talk about dace. So they follow the example of the carp, who tells them that when—

A pike calls the fishes to dinner at home,
They are sure to be eaten if they do come.

INGENIOUS CRUELTY.—The Moscow *Journal* states that the Russian soldiers in Poland have been furnished with a new description of dagger, of peculiar formation, with jagged sides, pierced with small needle holes filled with strychnine, amalgamated in some way with gum. To make the effects of the poison more fatal, this dagger is, by order, turned in the wound! The Moscow *Journal* publishes a wood cut representing the instrument.

CONFISCATED.—The personal effects of Justice J. A. Campbell, of Alabama, late a judge of the Supreme Court of the United States, were sold in Washington, this week, under the confiscation act, and brought $3,500.

## MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

BEE OFFICE,
THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, 1863.

The business of the week closes with a quiet market in every department of monetary affairs, but at stiffer rates for both Exchanges and Specie, and at quotations for our leading staple, showing an improvement of 1@2c. ℔ B. on last Thursday's prices.

In Domestic Exchange only a moderate amount of business has been done, mostly at ¾@1 ℔ cent. discount for New York Sight, and one day's sight. We noticed, however, sales on the street at ¾@⅞ discount of signatures which ruled last week at ¾@1. Four 30 days Sight on New York was offered at 2 discount, and we heard of cotton bills at one day's Sight, not reported as first class, which were offered at 1½ and 1⅝. The Banks continue to check at par and dealers draw at par @ ¼ discount for Sight and 1 day's Sight.

The supply of Domestic Exchange offering is too limited to admit of an active business. The departure of the weekly mail steamer having been deferred until Sunday, there was very little counter demand for remittance. The Banks hold Sterling at 16½, 167 and 171, payment exacted in their own notes, some of which being at a premium make the rates equal to 168@171 for Currency. Private bills are quoted at 162½@166. The bank rates for Francs are 3.40@3.45, for payment in their own notes, while the outside market is quoted at 3.50@3.40. We noticed some sales at 3.45.

The Specie market quiet, at about previous rates. We noticed some round lots of Gold sold at 55 and 55½ ℔ cent. premium, and some at 56, which was the general asking rate. Dealers paid 55 for the small sums offered at their counters and sold at 56. There is a steady demand for payment at the Customhouse as well as from speculators. Spanish Doubloons are quoted at $24 75@$25 10. Silver continues in request for shipment to New York at 42@44 and 45 ℔ cent. premium. Dealers buy at 42 and 43 and sell at 45. Mexican Dollars are scarce and bright lots will command a premium over gold. The dealers give gold in exchange for them at par.

Legal Tender notes circulate freely at par with other currency, but when wanted for special purposes buyers have to pay ½ ℔ cent. premium. Citizens' Bank notes rule at 1@1½ ℔ cent premium. Dealers offer 1½ premium for Canal, but ask more. Crescent City Bank notes have been in request at 6@62½ ℔ dollar. Dealers ask 65. There has also been more demand to-day for Bank of Louisiana notes, a considerable amount of which have changed hands at 50@5¾c. Merchants' are still quoted at 35@40c.

There are some small lots of Canal Bank Stock on sale at $50, for which $47 has been offered—2 Shares sold at $43. We also noticed a sale at auction to-day of 25 Shares Louisiana State Bank at $89. In view of an expected dividend in January Gas Light Stock is held at 130. City Railroad has been quoted at 1½@121. At an auction sale to-day, 10 Shares brought the outside figures. At the same sale quite a large amount of Insurance Scrip was offered and drew together a number of buyers, but the greater part of it was withdrawn, the only actual sales reported being $500. Merchants' which brought 40c. ℔ dollar for dates of 1859-'60, and 43, for 1859, and $500 Union of 1859-'60 and '61, which brought 40c.

## COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE BEE,
FRIDAY EVENING, December 21, 1863.

COTTON.—The market opened this morning with a fair inquiry, but owing to the very stringent pretentions of holders and the limited supply offering, as well as the attention of the trade being occupied by the auction, the business at private sale, as far as reported, was confined to 91 bales, embracing 10 Samples, at 65c., 30 Ordinary (17 and 13) at the same, 10 Pickings at 12; Good Ordinary, rebaled, at 66, and 55 bales particulars not stated. The auction sales comprised 475 bales as follows: 236 bales, ½c duty not paid, embracing 12 Pickings (8 and 4) at 40 to —, 4 at —, 7 repacked at 50¼, 14 Low Ordinary at 60¼, 14 Ordinary at 60¾, 44 Good Ordinary at 65¾, 65 Low Middling at 69¼, 26 Strict Low Middling at 68¾, 71¾, 16 Middling at 72¼, 6 Strictly Middling at 72¼, 16 Good Middling at 72¼, and 12 Middling Fair at 74¾; 19 bales duty paid, embracing 1 bale Pickings at 37¼, 2 bales Samples, Low Middling, at 63¼, 3 do do at 62¾, 3 do Strict Low Middling, at 68¼, 2 Original at 67¾, 3 Low Middling at 67¾, 3 Strict Middling at 72¼, and 2 Sea Island at $1 13; and 220 bales, duty paid, embracing 1 bale Pickings at 36c., 1 do at 30¼, 1 do at 34, 1 do at 37¼, 3 bales repacked at 56, 2 Mixed at 56¼, 1 bale Inferior at 56¾, 1 do at 52, 4 repacked at 59, 2 Low Ordinary at —, 1 repacked at 60¼, 2 Ordinary at the same, 1 repacked at 64, 1 bale Middling at 65¼, 59 bales Ordinary at 66¼, 17 do at 67, 9 Good Ordinary at 68, 8 do at 68¾, 10 Mixed at 68¾, 11 Good Ordinary at 69¼, 1 bale Low Middling at 70, 4 bales do at 70¾, 1 bale do at 70¾, 3 bales do at 71, 1 bale Middling at 71¼, 4 bales do at 72¼, 13 Low Middling (9 and 4) at 72¾, 2 Good Ordinary at 75¾, 1 bale Middling at 71, 16 bales Good Middling at 7¾. We also heard of three Middling at 72½ and 25 Strict Middling, sold yesterday, at 72. The market may now be quoted at 70@72c. for Low Middling, 74@75 for Middling, 74 for Strict Middling, and 75@76 for Good Middling.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—With large receipts and a limited demand, the market is unsettled and prices are irregular and easier. The sales to-day are confined to [illegible] Sugar [illegible] for Common, [illegible] for Fair, [illegible] for Fully Fair, [illegible] for Prime to Choice, [illegible] for Yellow Clarified and [illegible] for Seconds, new crop. Of Molasses, [illegible] bbls sold at [illegible] for Inferior, old crop, [illegible] for Prime, new crop and [illegible] for Choice.

PORK.—A lot of 50 bbls Mess sold this morning at $[illegible] ℔ bbl.

FLOUR.—The only sale we have to report is a lot of 100 bbls Good Extra at $[illegible].

FREIGHTS.—There is very little doing. We quote as the rates —[illegible] ℔ B. for Cotton on Government transports for New York, [illegible] ℔ B. by mail steamers; $[illegible] ℔ bale of cotton by sailing vessels, [illegible] ℔ hhd. for Sugar, and [illegible] ℔ bbl. for Molasses.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Apples sell on the landing at [illegible]. There are no Oranges in the market. [illegible]

Sales at auction to-day: [illegible] Herrings, [illegible] bags Pecans [illegible], 49 baskets Champagne at $[illegible], [illegible] bales and [illegible] Manilla Rope at [illegible], [illegible] damaged Flour at [illegible], [illegible] Coal Oil at [illegible] and [illegible] Apples at [illegible].

**Cattle Market.**

JEFFERSON CITY, December 21, 1863.

Arrived for a day 10 Veals. Amount of Stock on hand was 50 Beeves, [illegible] Hogs, [illegible] Veals. Stock remaining on sale is 197 Beeves, [illegible] Hogs, 531 Sheep, 36 Veals and [illegible] Cows. We quote:

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| Western Beeves, 1st quality, ℔ B | [illegible] |
| Western Beeves, 2d quality, ℔ B | [illegible] |
| Western Beeves, 3d quality, ℔ B | [illegible] |
| Texas Beeves, 1st quality, ℔ head | 30 00@40 00 |
| Texas Beeves, 2d quality, ℔ head | [illegible] |
| Veal, 1st quality, ℔ head | [illegible] |
| Veal, 2d quality, ℔ head | [illegible] |
| Hogs, ℔ B. gross | [illegible] |
| Milch Cows, ℔ head | [illegible] |
| Sheep according to quality, ℔ head | [illegible] |

## MARINE NEWS.

**Port of New Orleans, Dec. 25, 1863.**

CLEARED YESTERDAY.

Steamship Black Stone, Berry, for New York. Master
Schr H B Tyler, McGee, for Philadelphia. Master
Schr Cyclops, Eldridge, for Baltimore. J W Kimball [illegible]
Steamer Meteor, Salisbury, for Plaquemine. Master
Steamer Jennie Rogers, McQuaid, for Baton Rouge. Master
Steamer Nebraska, Burton, for Cairo. Master
Steamer Great Eastern, Evans, for Plaquemine. Master

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Sloop Romeo, Fallon, from Coast, to master. 3 district.
Lugger Three Brothers, Jacomini, from Coast, to L Bayhi. 2d district.
Lugger Hope, Martin, from Coast, to F Martin. 3d dist.
Schr P O Brown, Dourreau, from Madisonville, to master. Basin.
Schr Antelope, Gavagory, from Coast, to W Davis Jr. 2d district.
Schr Norma, Martin, from Coast, to E Robertson. 2d district.
Schr Eddie, [illegible], from Lower Coast. 2d district.

STEAMBOATS.

Any One Taylor, from Napoleonville
Mittie Stephens, Hodges, from Bayou Sara
D G Taylor, Cable, from St Louis
Navarre, Gregg, from Vicksburg
Jennie Rogers, McQuaid, from Baton Rouge
Meteor, Salisbury, from Iberville

BELOW, COMING UP.

Bark Investigator, Carver, from New York, 34 [illegible]
Bark N W B[illegible], [illegible], from Philadelphia
Bark Wartham, Wheeler, from Boston
Brig F P Stewart, Cline, from Philadelphia
Brig Daniel Maloney, Steelman, from Philadelphia

EXPORTS.

NEW YORK—Per steamship Blackstone—[illegible] bales cotton [illegible]
PHILADELPHIA—Per schr H B Tyler—[illegible] bbls molasses.
BALTIMORE—Per schr Cyclops—[illegible]
PLAQUEMINE—Per steamer Meteor—[illegible] empty bbls and sundries.
BATON ROUGE—Per steamer Jennie Rogers—Assorted mdse.
CAIRO—Per steamer Nebraska—75 hhds sugar, [illegible] bbls molasses, [illegible] oranges, 150 bbls potatoes, [illegible]
PLAQUEMINE—Per steamer Great Eastern—[illegible] empty bbls.

RECEIPTS FROM THE INTERIOR.

COAST—Per schr Norma—40 bbls molasses to Eug Robertson & co.
COAST—Per sloop Romeo—125 bbls corn to master.
COAST—Per lugger Three Brothers—121 sacks rice to L Bayhi.
COAST—Per lugger Hope—151 sks rice to F Martin.
MADISONVILLE—Per schr P O Brown—[illegible] feet lumber, 11 cords wood to master.
COAST—Per schr Antelope—46 bbls corn to W Davis Jr.
LOWER COAST—Per schr Eddie—[illegible] hhds sugar to order.
BAYOU SARA—Per steamer Mittie Stephens—[illegible] bales cotton, 11 hhds sugar C R May, 12 bales cotton to J Deynoodt, 45 do Graham, Hodges & co, [illegible] bags cotton, [illegible]
NAPOLEONVILLE—Per steamer [illegible] hhds sugar [illegible]
ST LOUIS—Per steamer D G Taylor—301 bbls flour [illegible]
VICKSBURG—Per steamer Navarre—[illegible]
BATON ROUGE—Per steamer Jennie Rogers—[illegible] hhds sugar, 130 bbls molasses, [illegible]
IBERVILLE—Per steamer Meteor—79 hhds sugar, 72 bbls molasses, Olivier & Duplantier [illegible]

PER NEW ORLEANS, OPELOUSAS AND G. W. R. R.

[illegible] bales cotton, Lobit & Charpantier—13 bales cotton, F J DaSilva—5 bales moss, 20 hhds sugar, Saml Bell—[illegible] bbls sugar, 2 bbls molasses, J Ferrand—[illegible] bbls molasses, Bower & Garner—18 do, G Sabadier—16 do, 10 hhds sugar, L W Dodge—19 do, 6 bbls molasses, Silliman, Martindale & Dix—6 bbls, 1 hf bbl molasses, C A Ward—15 hhds sugar, J C Ross—7 do, 5 bbls molasses, J M Johnson—18 hhds sugar, E S Deming—10 do, 31 bbls molasses, Belloeq, Noblom & co—16 hhds sugar, A Miltenberger—43 do, 28 bbls molasses, Capt Coxzens—10 hhds sugar to order—37 bbls molasses, R C Moore—5 do, S B Sevans & co—200 sks corn, 68 bags, empty sacks, Capt Mack.

**MARRIED,**

On the 23d of December, 1863, J. C. ALTHABER, Captain of the Prussian bark Vorwart, of Auclan, to Miss ELEONORE BOYE, of Ville Cantale, county of Meiau, arrondissement of Mirande, Department of Gers, France.

On the 21st of December, 1863, by the Rev. Marion, at the church of St. Vincent de Paul, Mr. NICOLAS DOLPZE to Miss PHILOMENE LAFRANCE, both of the Parish of Plaquemines, Louisiana.

**Lost or Mislaid,**

A PROMISSORY NOTE drawn and endorsed by Henry Arllughaus dated on the 21st day of April, 1860, for the sum of $851 25, and made payable three years after date, paraphed Ne Varietur by S. Magner, Notary, on the 25th of April, 1860. The public are cautioned against negotiating said Note, as the payment of the same has been stopped. dec25 10

**REMOVAL.**

MR. E. BORDELOIS, dealer in Wines and Liquors, has removed to No. 41, Old Levee street. nov13 3m

TO RENT—STORE IN CANAL STREET for rent, a part of the former locality of the Crescent City Bank, corner of Canal and Carondelet streets.

Apply at DETER'S Worsted Store. dec10 tf

**To Rent.**

SEVERAL STORES AND WAREHOUSES on St. Louis street, near the sugar market. Apply to EDW. DURRIVE & CO., No. 8 St. Louis street. dec9 1m

**Paragon Sugar Works.**

FOR SALE, a lot of White Refined Sugar of the above brand, in barrels, for family use, at No. 97 Old Levee street. dec16 6t

**Champagne, Ruig & Co., of Reims**

100 BASKETS QUARTS. do PINTS. Landing ex ship Comtesse de Brionne, from Bordeaux, for sale by EUG. ROCHEREAU & CO., 16 and 18 St. Louis st. nov1

**Advances**

ON consignments to our friends at Havre, Bordeaux and New York. OSCAR BERCIER & CO., No. 17 St. Louis street. de1 15t

**Croup and Sore Throat.**

INSTANT relief and sure cure of the above diseases to be had at Mr. Ries's, No. 117 St. Ann street, as well as from other chronic diseases. Many certificates were published in the newspapers of the city and many more may be seen at Mr. Ries's, from persons who have been cured by his remedies. dec7 4t md

**Coal Oil Lamps.**

A LARGE assortment of assorted Lamps, Shades, Wicks, Oil, &c. For sale by E. F. MIOTON & CO., corner Chartres and Conti streets. jel2 3mw

## AMUSEMENTS.

**ACADEMY OF MUSIC.**
SPALDING & ROGERS, PROPRIETORS.

CHRISTMAS MORNING and EVENING, Dec. 25. First GRAND SHOW at 12 M.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT AT 7½ P. M. Merry CHRISTMAS! Merry SPORTS!

The MAMMOTH CIRCUS TROUPE in their bright features to-day.

☞ Great preparations are being made for the HOLIDAYS by the TRIPLE CIRCUS.

☞ Special performances for the accommodation of ladies and families will be given every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 12 o'clock, M., to which reduced rates admit to Children and Servants will be [illegible].

☞ Box Office open at [illegible] A. M. Doors open at [illegible]. Curtain rises at 7½ o'clock P. M. dec25

**VARIETIES THEATRE.**
GRAVIER STREET.
LEWIS BAKER ... Stage Manager.

**This Evening,**
And every evening until further notice
GRAND HOLIDAY FESTIVAL.

First time in this Theatre of Boucicault's Drama called THE COLLEEN BAWN, Or, the Brides of Garryowen, the most successful play ever written by that popular author, and which enjoyed the unprecedented run of ten months in New York, and two years and a half in London.

New Scenery—By Messrs. Devine, Clive and Campbell. Wonderful Mechanical Effects—By Geo. Keller and assistants.

Characteristic Music—By Ph. Greuling. With a Great Cast of Characters.

PRICES OF ADMISSION—Private Boxes, according to location, from $10 to $[illegible]. Parquette and Dress Circle, 75c. Family Circle 50c. Loges 75c. White Gallery 25c. Quadroon Gallery 50c. Colored Gallery 25c. No extra charge for Reserved seats. Private Boxes in second Tier, 75 per seat, or $5 per box.

☞ Box Office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. when seats and boxes may be secured two days in advance of performance.

☞ Doors open at 7. Curtain rises at half past 7 o'clock.

☞ Horse Cars run from the corner of Baronne and Gravier streets, will connect, after the performance each night, with steam cars for Carrollton and intermediate stations. de2 [illegible]

**GRAND MASK AND FANCY DRESS BALL**

To be given by the New Lusitanos Benevolent Association of New Orleans,

At their Hall, corner of Goodchildren and Eylsia Fields streets, Third District,

On New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31st, 1863.

Managers.

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| A P Vaxiona | V Camigt | J. Orbla |
| J Pires | J Lado | M. Mascaro |
| R Rep | V Fernaloni | A. de Freitas |
| Tomasi | J J Watson | Wm Thayer |
| J F Atena | M J Davis | P Rich |
| L Leone | J Powers | B Clarin |
| O Antonio | Joseph Leblanc | |

Floor Managers.

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| A. Degeorge | Cose Leon | M. Peleyn |
| H. Beautes | Juan Rosel | B. Basquet |
| | Chas. Wells | |

Invitation Committee.

Ladies invitations can be had from any of the Managers or the President, at the Hall of the Association. Tickets [illegible]

Ladies [illegible] to bring their invitations as none will be admitted without. dec17 [illegible]

## LEGAL NOTICES.

Succession of Armand Anglevere.

SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF NEW ORLEANS. No. [illegible]—Notice is hereby given to the creditors of this estate, and to all other persons herein interested, to show cause, within ten days from the present notification, if any they have or can, why the account presented by the testamentary executor of this estate should not be homologated and approved and the funds distributed in accordance therewith.

By order of the Court. A. MOREL, Deputy Clerk. dec25 [illegible]

Succession of Armand LeBourgeois.

SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF NEW ORLEANS. No. [illegible]—Whereas Armand LeBourgeois has petitioned the Court for letters of Administration on the estate of the late Armand LeBourgeois, deceased intestate: Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, to show cause within ten days, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

By order of the Court. A. MOREL, Deputy Clerk. dec [illegible]

STATE OF LOUISIANA—SIXTH DISTRICT COURT OF NEW ORLEANS.—The State of Louisiana—To all whom these Presents shall come—greeting—Whereas Armand Auguste Etienne Querlier, having purchased at a sale made by the Sheriff of the parish of Orleans, the property hereinafter described, has applied to the Clerk of this Court, in whose office the deed of sale was recorded on the seventeenth day of August, A. D. 1863, for a Monition or Advertisement in conformity to an Act of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, entitled "An Act for the further assurance of titles to purchasers at judicial sales," approved the 10th day of March, 1834.

Now, therefore, know ye, and all persons interested herein, are hereby cited and admonished, in the name of the State of Louisiana, and of the Sixth District Court of New Orleans, who can set up any right, title or claim in and to the property hereinafter described, in consequence of any informality in the order, decree or judgment of the Court under which the sale was made or any irregularity or illegality in the appraisements and advertisements, in time, or manner of sale, or for any other defect whatsoever, to show cause, within thirty days from the day this Monition is first inserted in the public papers, why the sale so made should not be confirmed and homologated.

The said property was sold by the Sheriff of the Parish aforesaid on the sixth day of July, A. D. 1863, by virtue of a decree of this Court rendered on the nineteenth day of May, A. D. 1863, in a suit entitled F. Querlier, et al., vs. Joe. Hoard Edward Marin, No. [illegible] on the docket of this Court, at which sale Armand Etienne Querlier became the purchaser for the price of $7,600.

Description of property as given in the judicial conveyance, viz:

A LOT OF GROUND, with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Second District of this city, in the square bounded by Rampart, Burgundy, Craps, St. Ann and St. Philip streets, and measuring fifty-one feet front on Rampart street, by one hundred and eighty feet deep, all French measure.

The buildings and improvements comprise a two story brick dwelling house, slate roofed, No. 142 Rampart street, outhouses, yard paved, water-works, &c.

Being the same property which the defendant acquired by purchase from Mrs. Clara Forest, wife of Edmond J. Forstall, by act passed before Theod. Guyol, notary public in this city, dated March 11th, 1859.

Clerk's Office, this 23d day of December, A. D. 1863. [L. S.] E. H. LEHMANN, Deputy Clerk. dec24 [illegible] 30d

STATE OF LOUISIANA—SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF NEW ORLEANS.—The State of Louisiana—To all whom these Presents shall come—greeting—Whereas, Wm. Bayet and Mrs. Chs. Casdevant having purchased at a sale made by the Sheriff of the Parish of Orleans the property hereinafter described, has applied to the Clerk of this Court, in whose office the deed of sale was recorded on the Nineteenth day of October, A. D. 1863, for a Monition, or Advertisement, in conformity to an Act of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, entitled, "An Act relative to monitions and mode of proceeding," approved the fifteenth day of March 1855.

Now, therefore, know ye and all persons interested herein are hereby cited and admonished, in the name of the State of Louisiana, and of the Second District Court of New Orleans, who can set up any right title or claim in and to the property hereinafter described, in consequence of any informality in the order, decree or judgment of the Court under which the sale was made, or any irregularity or illegality in the appraisements and advertisements, in time, or manner of sale, or for any defect whatsoever; to show cause, within thirty days from the day this Monition is first inserted in the public papers, why the sale so made should not be confirmed and homologated.

The said property was sold by the Sheriff of the parish aforesaid on the Sixth day of July, A. D. 1863, by virtue of a decree of this court, rendered on the Sixteenth day of May, A. D. 1863, in a suit entitled, William Bayet et al. versus Marcella Tipper, widow of Thomas Maxwell, No. 19,591 of the docket of this court, at which sale William Bayet and Mrs Charles Casdevant became the purchasers for the price of $5,500.

Description of property as given in the judicial conveyance, viz:

A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Fourth District of this city, in the square bounded by Prytania, Plaquemines, St. Andrew and Josephine streets, and designated by the Number Ten, on a plan drawn by E. Bulsson, surveyor, on the 28th day of January, 1838, and deposited in the office of J. Lisbony, late a notary public in this city.

Which said lot forms the corner of St. Andrew and Prytania streets, and measures thirty-two feet six inches front on Prytania street, by one hundred and twenty feet in depth and front on St. Andrew street (American measure.)

Being the same property the defendant acquired by purchase from J. C. de Longpre and Mrs. de Monjan by act passed before Theo. Guyol notary public in this city, dated May 26, 1856.

Clerk's Office, this 23d December, 1863. A. MOREL, Deputy Clerk. dec25 4t30d

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A SURE CURE to be had for the above diseases, by Mr. RIES, at No. 117 ST. ANN STREET, between Dauphin and Burgundy streets.

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Certificates of persons cured of the above diseases can be seen in most of the newspapers of this city, and also in the office No. 117 St. Ann street, many more may be seen.

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CERTIFICATES.

No Doctor who attended me, and I had several, or any medicine which I employed, had done me any good in my Diarrhea, of about five or six months' standing; but the remedies of Mr. Ries, No. 117 St. Ann street, cured me perfectly in three days. Every sufferer should go there, he will surely be cured. I recommend him to all. J. MENDEZ, No. 281 Hercules street.

All who suffer of Rheumatism or Neuralgia, should go to Mr. Ries, No. 117 St. Ann street, and they will be surely cured. I who suffered of Rheumatism, for about eighteen months, and a friend of mine who suffered for about two years of Neuralgia, were cured by his remedies in less than eight days. His advertisement is a *sure cure* as no vain words. CH. DUPUIS, No. 214 Main street. dec7 4t

**Genuine Piper Heidsieck, Warranted.**

100 BASKETS, quarts and pints, Champagne Wine, landing ex schooner Ned, from New York. For sale by T. BAILLY BLANCHARD, Jr., 27 Old Levee street. nov4 15t

## AUCTION SALES.

**Molasses, Sugar, Syrup and Cow Peas** by order of Captain S. W. Cozzens, Superintendent of Plantations, and for account of the U. S. Government, at Auction.

BY R. T. MONTGOMERY, Auctioneer.

WILL be sold on SATURDAY, 26th inst., at [illegible] o'clock A. M., at the Opelousas Railroad landing, [illegible] new MOLASSES, and [illegible]

And immediately after, at [illegible], in New Orleans:
[illegible] CISTERN BOTTOMS,
[illegible] GOLDEN SYRUP,
[illegible] MOLASSES,
[illegible] SUGAR,
[illegible] COW PEAS.
Terms cash, in U. S. Treasury notes. de25

**COTTON, COTTON.**
**230 Bales Cotton at Auction.**
BY R. T. MONTGOMERY, Auctioneer.

WILL be sold on SATURDAY, December 26, at 1 o'clock at the salesroom, 93 Camp street, 230 bales COTTON.

Samples on inspection at the store.
Terms cash in U. S. Treasury notes. dec

**New Years and Holiday Gifts—Sale Continued.**

BY J. B. CROZAT, Auctioneer.
Office No. 86 Royal street.

SALE WITHOUT RESERVE.

WILL be sold on FRIDAY, 25th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., at the auction room [illegible], Powder Boxes, Desks, Cutlery and Toilet Ornaments, &c., &c.

Terms cash, payable in current funds. de [illegible]

**Cotton ........ Cotton.**

BY PHINNEY & AMORY.
G. P. PHINNEY, Auctioneer.
Office, corner Camp and Common streets.

WILL be sold on MONDAY, December 28, at [illegible] o'clock, at our salesroom, corner of Camp and Common streets, by order of H. Beebe, B. F. Flanders, Supervising Special Agent Treasury Department, [illegible] bales COTTON.

To be sold by sample.
Terms cash in U. S. Treasury Notes. de [illegible]

**Succession of John G. Weber.**

BY McCERREN & LANDRY.
G. W. McCERREN, Auctioneer.
Office and Salesroom, Masonic Hall, St. Charles st.

SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF NEW ORLEANS, No. 12,974.—Will be sold at public auction on SATURDAY, the 9th of January, 1864, at 12 o'clock M., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, by virtue and in pursuance of an order from the Honorable J. S. Whitaker, Judge of the Second District Court of New Orleans, dated 21st November, in the matter of the succession of John G. Weber, deceased, the following property, to wit:

A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND, designated with the one story brick building thereon, situated in the Fourth District of this city, in the square bounded by Julia, Carondelet, Girod and St. Charles streets, which lot is designated by the Number 2 on a plan drawn by G. Le Sage and A. Persac, dated March 1st, 1856, deposited in the office of Felix Percy, notary, as per plan No. [illegible] of Plans, measured in American feet twenty three feet front on Julia street, by a depth [illegible] feet.

Terms cash.

**Contents of a Private Dwelling at Auction.**

BY McCERREN & LANDRY.
G. W. McCERREN, Auctioneer.
Office and Salesroom, Masonic Hall, St. Charles St.

WILL be sold on SATURDAY, Dec. 26, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at their mart, Masonic Hall,

The CONTENTS of a private residence removed to the mart for convenience of sale, consisting of Parlor and Bedroom Furniture, Bureaus, Tables, Armoirs, Bedsteads, Washstands, Lounges, Mattresses, Feather Carpets, Rugs, Cooking Utensils, Crockery, Glassware, &c.

Also at same time, a fine Wheeler and Wilson Sewing Machine. Terms cash. dec

**Succession of John O. Sorna.**
No. 18,[illegible]

BY J. B. CROZAT, Auctioneer.
Office, No. 86 Royal street, near St. Louis.

BY virtue of an order from the Honorable J. S. Whitaker, Judge of the Second District Court of New Orleans, dated December 10th, 1863, will be sold on SATURDAY, the 23d day of January, 1864, at 12 o'clock, M., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Customhouse and Canal streets, viz:

A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND, with the improvements thereon, situated in the Fourth District of this city, in the square comprised within Jackson, Josephine, Live Oak and Laurel streets, designated by the number [illegible]. Said lot measures [illegible] feet front on [illegible] and the others front on [illegible] and one hundred and twenty-nine feet in depth.

Terms cash.

Acts of sale before Hugh Madden, notary public, at the expense of the purchaser. dec21 [illegible]

**Succession of Henry Faulstich—No. 19,908.**

BY J. B. CROZAT, Auctioneer.
Office No. 86 Royal street.

BY virtue of an order from the Honorable J. S. Whitaker, Judge of the Second District Court of New Orleans, dated December [illegible], 1863, will be sold at public auction, on SATURDAY, the [illegible] day of January, 1864, at 12 o'clock, M., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Customhouse and Canal streets, viz:

A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the New Faubourg Marigny, in the Third District of this city, designated by the Number Eleven of square No. 36, comprised within Barataria, Josephine, Berthelle and St. Anthony streets; said lot measures twenty six feet eight inches front on Barataria street, by one hundred and ten feet in depth between parallel lines.

Terms cash. de [illegible]

**Succession of Noel Hugnon.—No. 19,989.**

BY J. B. CROZAT, Auctioneer.
Office No. 86 Royal street.

BY virtue of an order from the Honorable J. S. Whitaker, Judge of the Second District Court of New Orleans, dated November 27th, 1863, will be sold on SATURDAY, the [illegible] day of January, 1864, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Customhouse and Canal streets, at 12 o'clock, M., viz:

A LOT OF GROUND, situated in the Suburb Frankilin, designated by No. One of square No. Fifty five on the original plan of said Faubourg, drawn by the city Surveyor, the 15th May 1841, and deposited in the office of C. Pollock, Notary. Said lot measures, in English measure, fifty feet front on Mandeville street, by one hundred and [illegible] feet front on St. John the Baptiste street, together with the buildings and improvements thereon.

Terms and Conditions—One-half cash and the balance at six months credit, with notes bearing six per cent. interest from the day of sale until maturity, and eight per cent interest from maturity until final payment, the whole secured by mortgage on said property, with the obligation on the part of the purchaser to insure the buildings which make part thereof, and to transfer the amount of the half of adjudication, and to transfer said policy of insurance to the latrix.

Acts of sale before Jos. Cuvillier, notary public, at the expense of the purchaser. de [illegible]

**Succession of Mary Curley, Wife of Andrew Drysdale.**

BY E. M. JACOBS, Auctioneer.

WILL be sold on SATURDAY, [illegible] January, 1864, at 12 o'clock, M., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Customhouse and Canal streets, by virtue of an order from the Honorable the Second District Court of New Orleans dated December 15, 1863, the following property belonging to the aforesaid succession, to wit:

THREE CONTIGUOUS LOTS OF GROUND, situate in the Third District of this city, designated by Numbers One, Two and Three, of square bounded by Frenchmen, Union, St. John the Baptiste and Girod streets.

Lot Number One forms the corner of Frenchmen and St. John the Baptiste streets, measures [illegible] feet front on Frenchmen street, by 93 feet in depth and front on St. John the Baptiste street, together with a frame house of two rooms, gallery, closet and cistern.

Lot Number Two measures 32 feet front on Frenchmen street, by 93 feet in depth, together with a frame house of two rooms, kitchen, well, cistern, privy, &c.

Lot Number Three measures [illegible] feet front on St. John the Baptiste street, by 61 feet in depth, together with a frame house of two rooms and gallery, well, cistern, privy, &c.

See plan at the Exchange.

Terms cash.

Acts of sale before Jos. Cuvillier Notary Public. dec 8 17 24 31 jan7

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