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NEW ORLEANS:
WEDNESDAY MORNING, JAN. 30, 1867.

By a dispatch to William Creevy, Esq. agent of the Star Line, we learn that the steamship Mississippi, Captain Sumner, crossed the bar and went to sea at 1 P. M. yesterday.

By a dispatch to A. Moulton, Esq., we learn that the steamship General Meade, Captain Sampson, arrived at the bar at 11 A. M. yesterday.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—An extra performance for the benefit of the Southern Hospital Association is announced by the liberal and enterprising managers of this popular establishment, to be given on Friday evening. Tickets can be obtained from the lady members of the Association and at the office of the Academy, at which latter place the numbers of the seats will be delivered on Thursday and Friday. Independent of the charitable object in view, there will be abundant reason for a large attendance to witness the splendid exercises which will be specially gotten up for the occasion, and we, only for a more than usually crowded house.

For this evening a capital bill is also presented, including "The House that Jack Built," with its wonderful mechanical effects and scenic display, and the whole troupe in a variety entertainment.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—This evening is announced as positively the last but three of the engagement of Miss Lucille Western, who will reappear in the new sensational drama of "The Child Stealer," which she renders with thrilling effect. She will be excellently supported by Mr. Theo. Hamilton and the entire stock company. The opportunity to see her in this play should not be lost.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Edwin Adams appears this evening in the fine play entitled "Dreams of Delusion." Mr. Adams is a first class actor, and more than ordinarily true to nature in his representations.

THE OLYMPIC MUSIC HALL.—New performers make their appearance at the Olympic last night, and were received with favor. Bob Hart sings, dances and dresses to admiration.

THE OPERA—NORMA.—Monday night Donizetti's brilliant Opera *Don Pasquale* was given as the Opera House, with Madame Tomasi, as *Norma*, as Rocco, as *Don Pasquale*, and Ottaviani as *Dottor Malatesta*. The audience was a small one. Strange to say our people do not seem to favor operas of this class as much as the more common ones like *Il Trovatore*, *Norma*, etc. Yet the music in *Don Pasquale* is delicious. It is rich in the finest melody, sparkling, vivacious and sweet. Madame Tomasi's voice is admirably adapted for the role of *Norma*, and we have not seen her do better than she did last night. In the higher notes her voice is singularly sweet and flexible, and she possesses it with consummate art. Rocco sung well and acted well as usual. As a buffo he is capital. We regret that so few persons enjoyed this musical treat.

To-night *Norma* will be given for the last time. This has never been a favorite work in this community, and we presume there will be a large audience.

We are pleased to learn that M'lle Gibelli, the celebrated contralto, will appear Friday night.

M'LLE GIBELLI.—M'lle Gibelli, the brilliant contralto engaged to sing with the Bouffon opera troupe, is expected here to day, and will, in all probability appear on Friday night. Her appearance will be looked for with interest by all those familiar with the opera, who understand how much a good contralto voice adds to the effect. It will be a rare treat to hear Gibelli and Madame Tomasi together in some popular opera. To-night, remember, "Norma" for the last time.

A BLIND GIRL'S BOOK.—We have just received a copy of a new book written by Mary L. Day, a graduate of the Maryland Institution for the blind, entitled "Incidents in the Life of a Blind Girl." We cordially commend this work to our people, and hope that it may have a wide circulation, not only on account of the high moral tone it possesses throughout but the design in its issue. In her preface the author states that her design was to obtain a livelihood independent of those kind friends who felt would render personal effort, in this respect, quite unnecessary. In pursuance of this laudable desire the writer prepared this work, and sent it out to the public. It has thus far met a kind and welcome reception. The interest which all persons must feel in the unfortunate author is only increased by the fact of her having so improved her education as to originate a book like this. The author is a resident of Maryland, but the State of her health demanded a few months in a warmer climate, and she came to our city hoping to realize enough from the sale of her books to defray her expenses. In this she will not be disappointed, and we believe that she will find no difficulty in carrying out her plans. She will visit the people kindly upon the principal streets, and intends, we think, to canvass the city. The title of the book gives a good idea of its character, for it is the interesting account of her own life. Curious to know what incidents there could be in the life of one whose life seems so circumscribed by misfortune, will lead many persons to read this book.

Meeting of Louisiana Legislature.

THE SENATE.—The Senate met at 12 o'clock yesterday, pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor Albert Voorhies, presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Hodges, of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Davidson, for the appointment of a Committee of seven, four from the city and three from the rural districts, for the purpose of investigating the general affairs of the Corporation of New Orleans, and offer suggestions for the better administration thereof.

The resolution passed its first reading and came up as the order of the day this morning.

Mr. Berthe offered a memorial from the Second City Bank, which, without being read, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Egan announced the death of Hon. A. A. Avery, Senator elect from the parishes of Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, and Winn, alluded in appropriate words to his honesty, integrity and devotion to every duty imposed upon him, and concluded by offering a resolution that the members of the Senate wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days, and that the Senate adjourn in token of respect.

Dr. Scruggs rose to second the resolution. It gave him both pain and pleasure to dwell upon the excellent qualities of the deceased, who from his childhood to boyhood and in manhood's riper years a friend to rejoice with you in prosperity, and weep with you in your grief; was he, the architect of his own fortune, or was he living, breathing impersonation of honor.

The resolution was adopted unanimously, and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.—The House met at half past 12 o'clock, Hon. D. S. Cage in the Chair, and several members present.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Hodges.

Messrs Scoggs and Sandford, newly elected members, were then sworn in by the Speaker.

Reading of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following names were announced as the committee to which the resolution of Mr. Walker, relative to the financial affairs of the city, introduced yesterday, was referred: viz: Messrs Murray, Kaiser, McCloskey, Richards, Dubiare, Sanbois, Peterson, J. Phillips, Hagen, Jones, and Austin.

Mr. Hall introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to be composed of the city members, to inquire into the expediency of making a court house, and why the provisions of an act of the Legislature of 1866 have not been complied with.

The report of the Register of the Land Office was received and ordered to be printed.

The report of the Commissioners of the Police Home was also received, and ordered to be printed.

Senate bill to regulate the time for the payment of licenses for the current year, was taken up for third reading and passed.

The hour of the special order of the day having arrived, the resolution of Mr. McCloskey providing for the appointment of a committee of seven to prepare a bill for taking the sense of the people for calling a Convention was then taken up and passed. The following gentlemen were appointed by the Chair to constitute the committee: Messrs McConnell, Foley, Hainey, Sanjer, Walker and Kent.

Mr. Sanjer introduced a bill, with a view to the levying of taxes for the collection of taxes on trades and professions in the city of New Orleans.

The House adjourned to 12 o'clock to-day.

Government Receipts of the Cotton Crop of 1866.

The United States monthly report of the agricultural department for December gives the following estimates of the crop of the States mentioned below:

South Carolina	[illegible]
Georgia	[illegible]
Florida	[illegible]
Alabama	[illegible]
Mississippi	[illegible]
Louisiana	[illegible]
Texas	[illegible]
Arkansas	[illegible]
Tennessee	[illegible]
North Carolina	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

The above estimate is equal to 1,566,000 bales of 450 pounds each, which is considered the average weight of bales of cotton in the South.

Five mile posting in New York against Democratic candidates terminated in the United States Court for total.

BY MORGUE.

The stranger in Paris, of whatever country or nationality, will rarely finish his sight-seeing tour without a visit to one small building on the banks of the Seine, noted amidst many noted places, as a point of peculiar though melancholy interest. This building is *La Morgue*, the Dead house of Paris. Passing along the course of the river towards the Pont Neuf, walking under the shadows of Notre Dame, down by rows of market women, to the quays, and the tourist comes to a small stone house upon the verge of the stream, the outside appearance of which is gloomy in the extreme. At almost all hours of the day a large number of persons of both sexes can be seen around the spot, sometimes talking in groups near the house, sometimes gazing through the iron bars upon the dead bodies stretched out within. Even to the citizens of Paris *La Morgue* is a place of interest, and numbers of people visit it daily throughout the year, thinking, yet dreading, to find upon the slag-covered boards the form of some long lost relative or friend. The stranger will observe men and women pass to the gate, will see them gaze for a moment upon the features of the dead, and then, with a sigh or a muttered prayer, pass on to give room for another. If he waits long enough there may come one who does not turn away with the crowd—a man who starts back with horror as he recognizes the body before him, or a woman who utters a shriek and falls fainting into some bystander's arms. These things in a great and populous city like Paris are of every day occurrence, and many visit the spot daily, with that singular curiosity which makes some persons seem fond of funerals, to see the recognitions which there take place. At the first thought there is something repulsive in this exposure of the dead: but when we come to examine the matter more closely we find it a custom both necessary and humane. Respect for the dead is the very basis of the system.

In every large city there must be a certain number of deaths by accident, and a certain number of suicides. Statistics show an almost fixed per centage of each, and these, kept through a series of years, have confirmed the startling fact that a fixed ratio of the population are to fall from the quays, another fixed per centage to throw themselves into the river for the purpose of self destruction, so many are to be murdered and thrown into the river, and a certain number are to die by drowning in one way or another. So regular have the numbers of each been from year to year through over half a century, that we are able to predict with tolerable accuracy just how many persons will drown themselves during the current year, and how many bodies will be found floating in the river. As we have said above, the result of the statistics which is kept through a term of years is startling. It would almost persuade us that there are fixed laws for the government of suicides and accidents as well as for the ordinary operations of nature. The study of these statistics tells the authorities of the State or city, that a certain number of bodies will be picked up during the year; and humanity demands that some provision be made therefor, and then the succession be opened? Must the heirs or parties interested await the period of five years as in such cases prescribed by law?

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

The Produce Market.—In company with a prominent member of the City Council and other gentlemen, including, besides some of the representatives of the press, Mr. Fratus Wells, commissary of the market, and Mr. Rensmon, President of the Butcher's Association, we had the pleasure of partaking of a magnificent breakfast, last Sunday morning, with some of the butchers of Poydras Market. The table was set in the Poydras Market Restaurant, and the good things with which we were feasted in princely style, satisfied us that the enterprising butchers of the market have brought it fairly into competition with the finest institutions of the kind to be found anywhere in the country, not excepting the famous Fulton Market, which we visited in New York last summer.

Independent of the delicacies procured from other quarters, our board was covered with the choicest kinds of meats, viz: veal, fish, fowl, and Rocky Mountain buffalo, the last being a portion of one which had been brought here by the enterprise of this gentleman with whom we had breakfasted, who were Messrs. Louis Rath, Germain Dastillon, Placide Dastillon, Paul Escudero, Bernard Rousseau and Jean Dumesnre. It was a novelty which we most heartily relished, never having tasted any buffalo meat before, and we were astonished to learn from one of the Messrs Dastillon that it had been slaughtered on the 29th of December last, and preserved fresh and sweet as it appeared before us with the exception of being packed in salt. The meat is as wonderful, and is an evidence not only of great enterprise on the part of the butchers of the market in furnishing what is everything in their line that can be had in New Orleans, but also of the great care and skill displayed by them in their business.

Board of Aldermen.—Meeting last evening—Mr. Boarman presiding.

A communication from the Mayor was received, accompanied by the resolution previously passed by the Board, recommending the Jackson Railroad Co., in which the city was a stockholder to the extent of $2000,000, had on more than one occasion, applied for the privilege of running their line to the levee, which had been persistently refused them.

To this end he proposed that the new road the privilege of running their line into the heart of the city, up Chartres to the corner of Canal street, and there terminated, was a display of partiality which should always be deprecated.

He recommended that the depots, &c., should be established in the suburbs of the city, not further down than Esplanade and Bienville street. For these and numerous other reasons set forth in the communication, the Mayor has seen fit to veto the measure.

On motion of Col. Clark, the communication and accompanying papers were laid on the table, subject to call.

A resolution to right that portion of the city with petroleum fluid not now lighted by the Gas Light Company, by Mr. Decker Abarn, yesterday, on complaint of Adams Daniels, charging him with having, on the 28th of April last, obtained $3170 under false representations with regard to the quality of oil in the city of New Orleans. The accused was locked up for examination this morning.

Accidentally Killed.—Alvarest Alfred, driver of dray No. 3314, surrendered himself to the police, reporting that while his mules were quietly standing on Monday evening, a colored boy named Charles Dorstandt, about thirteen years old, fell off and was literally killed by one of the wheels passing over his head, at the corner of Broad street and Bayou Road. An inquest was held and a verdict accordingly rendered.

The Gambling Case.—The case of Thomas H. Davis, Caleb, Lock, Hoyt, and McGrath, charged with gambling in a saloon, of which the alleged proprietor, at No. 66 St. Charles street, are parties to, was called up again yesterday. Hoyt and McGrath were bailed, and the others sent for trial before the First District Court.

Burned to Death.—Cora Howard, a woman of ill fame, died Sunday, at the Charity Hospital of the injuries which she received at 85 Burgundy street, Saturday evening, by her dress catching fire while in the act of the overdose of the jury of inquest yesterday.

Crushed by a Bale.—Last Monday evening, a colored servant girl, Emma Brown, who is employed as a nurse in Mr. E. W. Gaines' family, on Constantinople and Royal streets, was arrested, charged with cruelty to a child she was entrusted to her care. This human fiend undressed a poker and burnt the child of Mr. Gaines, only twelve years old, in several places of its body, and also on its cheek.

A resolution to contract with Hebert & Co. for lighting the rear of the city, at $36 per lamp, was concurred in on first reading, and lies over under the rules.

Mr. Kaizer offered a resolution to appoint a committee to memorialize the Legislature to amend the charter of the Draining Commission of New Orleans in such manner as may perfect the drainage of the city. Adopted. Messrs. Kaizer, Prague, Montamat and Paisley were appointed.

A resolution to fill up or repair a portion of Bartholomew street and build a bridge across the canal at St. Jean street, was adopted finally.

A resolution was adopted to allow $14 per annum for each inmate in the House of Good Shepherd.

A resolution complimenting the Controller, Mr. Mohan, for his zeal and management in the sale of the lease of the markets, and authorizing him to warrant in his own favor for $1,000 for services in acting personally as auctioneer in the instance, in which the would have been authorized to have employed an auctioneer, was referred.

A resolution to sell a contract to take down one-half of Poydras Market and build anew, was referred. Also, one to sell the property of the city known as the Jackson, (boys') the Marshall and the Franklin school houses.

The Streets and Landings Committee reported in favor of a resolution to repair the rooms of the District Courts. Adopted.

A resolution to increase the pay of carts employed by the city to $1 50 per day was adopted.

A resolution to shell part of Dorgenois street, between Dumaine and St. Philip, was adopted.

A resolution authorizing a compromise of the claims of Gen. L. Bright, late City Attorney, against the city, in conjunction with those of Assistant City Attorney Hawes, was adopted.

A resolution to fix Canal, Hagan Avenue, Broad and Esplanade streets and the river, as the limits of the Second Pound District, was adopted.

One to fix the limits of the Third Pound District was offered but not acted on.

A resolution was read to appropriate $2500 for the purchase of a steam fire engine for Fire Company No. 8, was read without being acted on, and the Board adjourned.

The Dead House Proposition.—The Coroner, Dr. Delery, has presented to the Legislature for consideration a memorial on the subject of establishing a *morgue* or dead-house in the city similar to those existing in New York and other American cities. We learn a few interesting extracts from the memorial:

I am convinced that the State of Louisiana is, as much as any State, interested in the early accomplishment of an enterprise of such importance, and general usefulness, and, therefore, that your honorable body will perceive the necessity of appointing a committee to confer with the city council of New Orleans upon the necessary steps to be taken towards the erection of a dead-house, and make such arrangements as will divide the expenses thereof between the State and city government.

Let us for instance take a case of almost daily occurrence in New Orleans. A man of means, of family, is accidently drowned. The coroner is notified, and holds the corpse already far gone in putrefaction, and which he must have removed and buried as hastily as possible. The body in such a case is deposited into one room, where it is kept during a term of years is stationary. It would almost persuade us that there are fixed laws for the government of suicides and accidents as well as for the ordinary operations of nature. The study of these statistics tells the authorities of the State or city, that a certain number of bodies will be picked up during the year; and humanity demands that some provision be made therefor, and then the succession be opened? Must the heirs or parties interested await the period of five years as in such cases prescribed by law?

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Politicians Assaulted by Colored Soldiers.—Officer McGowan, while attempting to arrest Leroy Southerly, a negro soldier, on Liberty street, who was charged with larceny by Mr. Nerbeck, was dangerously stabbed by him with a knife. The negro was afterwards arrested by another policeman. McGowan, we learn, is in a critical condition.

Charles Johnson, of the 9th U. S. Colored Cavalry, was arrested for violently assaulting Corporal James Lally, of the police, with intent to kill, while he was in camp on official duty. The negro attacked and seriously injured Lally with a plank. Johnson will be tried on the 2d proximo.

City Mortality.—There were but 83 interments in the cemeteries of New Orleans for the week ending 27th inst., showing considerable decrease on the report of the week previous. There were fifteen deaths of pneumonia, an unusual number on account of the changeable state of the weather.

Leg Broken.—A man named Charles Wemeiss had his leg accidentally broken day before yesterday by accidentally falling down stairs in a house on Dauphin street, between Toulouse and St. Louis streets. He was taken to the Charity Hospital.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

Washington, Jan. 29—The President submitted the correspondence relative to the Frazer, Trenholm & Co. settlement. It involves unsatisfactory and contradictory orders to the agents of the Treasury, but discloses no new facts.

Allen B Magruder has applied for admission to practice at the Supreme Court of the District. The judge has refused. Action has been taken, setting the case for full hearing before a full bench. Magruder is a member of the bar of the Federal Supreme Court, but cannot take the test oath.

In his veto of the Nebraska admission bill the President confines his argument to its inconsistency with the unsabling act and the Constitution. Of the additional section conferring suffrage on all citizens by the Legislature, the action is contrary to the verbiage of the Constitution, under which Congress has the right to claim admission. He maintains indirectly, but positively, the right of the States to regulate their franchises within their borders, and urges that the organic changes proposed by Congress be submitted to the people of Nebraska.

HOUSE.—The Committee on Elections has reported in favor of the consideration of the illegal voting in Maryland. The committee could only inquire into the acts of the President, and the Judiciary had him in hand. The case must be delivered, and the matter referred to the Judiciary.

The Retrenchment Committee have reported an bill for regulating the civil service. The bill provides that all appointments, except those constitutionally confided to the President, shall be made by the commissioners, who shall hold office for five years and be styled the Civil Service, an Examining Board with $4000 per annum salary each, a clerk at $2000, and a messenger at $600.

Loucks made a long speech in favor of the bill, when it was postponed.

Messrs Andrews and Farnsworth on the Reconstruction Committee, who has leave of absence during the session.

The Secretary of the Interior is called for information relative to the Indian massacre. Schenck called the Indian Department a nest of thieves. The House went into a Committee on appropriations, and after considerable time substituting payments to Harvey, at Lisbon, or for the Minister at Rome, the latter in view of the position of Protestant worship in Rome. Adjourned.

SENATE.—The correspondence relative to the Austrian Minister's resignation was received and laid on the table.

The Colorado veto was read. Motions to postpone its consideration occupied the time of the Senate to the expiration of the morning hour, when the tariff bill was taken up, and it adjourned.

Washington, Jan. 21, 8.6—Sir: A citizen of the United States has addressed a letter to the President from Paris, who represents he has travelled in Europe last year and had occasion to see the Ministers and Consuls of the various countries, and that most of them were bitterly hostile to the President and the Administration. He adds, that you do not pretend to be aware of the fact, as he says, you style it, and the President's whole conduct; that you despise American democracy, and loudly proclaim that an English, gentleman is the mode of human perfection; that the President has deserted the pledges and principles in common with Seward, who, you say, is hopelessly degraded. Your denial of confirmation is awaited.

WM. H. SEWARD.

Motley replies, the first impulse was to consult himself with a flat denial of the truth of the report, but on further reflection of the impropriety of such a course, he concluded to say with that there should be a doubt as to his personal sentiments. He always believed that the Executive Authorities of a State acted in a recurrence of the rebellion and the re-establishment of slavery before the seceded States should be readmitted in Congress. Slavery he declined to the opinion that the noblest and safest course would be an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting distinction of race or color in the franchise. Some opinions in the privacy of his own household and occasional American visitors he had not concealed, and never thought himself a public servant of the American people he was deprived of the right of discussing within his own walls the greatest subjects that can interest a freeman. He had always been careful in such conversations to adopt expressions of the highest regards for the President or his cabinet. He warmly denies the other allegations, and in conclusion tenders his resignation of the post of Minister to Vienna.

Washington, Jan. 25—Gen. Sickles will return to North Carolina in a few days to resume his command. Hundreds of negroes from Salisbury, N. C., are en route to the Arkansas cotton plantations.

Eastern Markets.—Jan. 21—The pilot boat Marylandwith a part of the cargo of the bark Delaware, from Cork, eight at 7|16 per cent discount. $30,000, $30,000 and $50,000 at ¼, $30,000, $60,000 and $70,000 at ¾, $30,000 ten days' paper, $55,000 twenty days' at 1¼, and $40,000 thirty days at 1¾. The rates for Commercial sight were ½ to ¾ per cent discount.

Boston, Jan. 21—Evening—Cotton quiet and firmer, at 34c for Middling Uplands.

Washington, Jan. 21—The following are the vote committing Stevens bill to the Reconstruction Committee: Ayeres, Baller, Banks, D. R. Barker, Bingham, Blaine, Boyer, Buckland, Bundy, Campbell, Chanler, Conkling, Cooper, Darling, Dawes, Dawson, Defrees, Delano, Deming, Denison, Dixon, Eggleston, Ela, Ellridge, Farnsworth, Farry, Finck, Garfield, Griswold, Hale, Haron, Harding, Harris, Hawkins, Hill, Hubbell, Humphries, Ingersoll, Jenks, Ketchum, King, Randall, Laffin, Geo. Law, Wm. Lawrence, Lehland, Lefavers, Marshall, Marvin, McKee, McIlvaine, Moorehead, Moulton, Nelson, Nicholson, Patterson, Plant, Pomeroy, Randall, Raymond, Rice, Rice, Ritter, Rogers, Ross, Schenck, Shanklin, Sidgreave, Spalding, Stevens, Taber, Taylor, Taylor, Thornton, Turnbull, Van Horn, A. Ward, B. D. Washburn, W. B. Washburne, Wheeler, Walker, Winfield, Woodbridge, Wright—88.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Jan. 29, 1867.

The general market has exhibited a firm degree of animation and business activity, and several of the leading articles have undergone a quotable alteration. Sugar and Molasses were in active demand, and Flour and Western Produce exhibited considerable movement attended with less firmness in Corn, and a decline in Oats. Groceries and the other leading staple have been to an unusually liberal extent, and factors have succeeded in establishing an improvement of 1c per lb. The sales at the close comprised 11,000 hhds, making an aggregate for the past three days of 19,850 hales, which is no doubt materially add to the supplies of Exchange.

The movement in the Cotn market has been attended with very little activity, owing principally to the uncertainty which overhangs the course of prices at New York. Gold opened this morning nominally at 131, against 134¾, and the close but evening; but at a later hour improved and closed steady at 134¾. There was one sale at the Board: $5000 at 134¾. Gov. bonds the transactions included: $8000 at 133¾, $10,000 at 134¼, $3000, $10,000, and 1st of $30,000 at 134¾, $5000, $10,000, and 2d of $30,000 at 135, $15,000 at the same, and $25, 000 at 134¾, $1500 Custom House Gold sold at 134¾. In Silver we noticed sales of $700 in American bulves at 131¾, and 1500 Mexican dollars at ¾ per cent premium for Gold, and check for $25,000 Gold in New York sold at ¾ per cent. discount.

Foreign Exchange has exhibited little inactivity at any time of the day. The receipts of bankers' documents on foreign accounts have been quite limited, and the effect on the market, but dealers generally manifest no desire to operate, being restrained by the fluctuating position of gold. The negotiations to-day have been limited, comprising the following bills: £2000 Prime bankers' sterling at 143, £2000 and £10,000 at 143¼, £1000 and £3000 at 143¾, £2500 and £12,000 at 144, £3000 at 144¼, £2000 at 144½, £2500 at 144¾, £3000 at 145, £2000 at 145¼, £3000 at 145¾, £6000 at 146, £13,000 at 146¾, and £6000 Bank at 147. New York sight at 7|16 per cent discount. Sterling was nominally quoted at 145 to 145¾c for bill of lading bills, 144¾ to 145c for Al to first class, and 143¾ for Bank; and France at 3.85 to 3.92½ for Al Commercial, and 3.87½ for Bank.

Specie continues to be undergone no quotable alteration. The banks checked on New York at ¼ per cent discount, at which they are in limited extent. The supplies of Commercial were light; and in consequence of the inability of parties to agree as to rates the sales were quite restricted, including $60,000 and $70,000 at ¼ per cent sight at 7|16 per cent discount, $30,000, $30,000 and $50,000 at ¼, $30,000, $60,000 and $70,000 at ¾, $30,000 ten days' at 1¼, $55,000 twenty days' at 1¼, and $40,000 thirty days at 1¾. The rates for Commercial sight were ½ to ¾ per cent discount.

The Sterling market was unusually dull. There was one sale at the Board, 130 shares Opelousas Railroad at $6. There were no transactions reported outdoors.

City Bonds disclosed little movement. The sales at the Board comprised: 2 Railroad issues at 80¾, and 2 same, May and November coupons at 72, the latter rate. The Consolidated sold at 90 to 92¾, and the Railroad issues at 80 to 82¾, according to the coupons. Louisiana State 6s sold at 65 to 70, Jackson Railroad first mortgage bonds at 80 to 82½, and Opelousas Railroad first mortgage bonds, with eight unpaid coupons at 58 to 62½.

In Uncurrent Money we noticed sales of $2000 State Treasury notes, at the Board, at 93½ per dollar, $15,000 same, outdoors, at 93¾, and $5000 Bank of Louisiana. The notes are quoted at 60 to 65c per dollar, and State Treasury notes at 93½ to 94½c. Dealers pay the inside figure for the small sums offered at their counters, many retail dealers receiving them in trade at par—the Treasury notes at 93½ to ¾ per cent discount. National Currency being the only medium of exchange in the local and city trade.

COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE BEE,
TUESDAY EVENING, Jan. 29, 1867.

COTTON.—The market opened this morning with a continuance of the previous good demand, to which the receipt of further importance from Liverpool imparted additional stimulation, and although the majority of factors materially enhanced their demands, yet there was a large and very unusual degree of competition among buyers, resulting in sales of 13,000 bales, nineteen brokers participating in the business. Prices displayed increased firmness, the inferior qualities realizing figures disproportionately high as compared with the better descriptions. With the above remarks we now quote as follows: Ordinary 20¾ to 22¾c, Good Ordinary 30 to 30¾c, Low Middling 30 to 31¾c, and Middling 32 to 32¾c, the latter closing with a strong tendency to outside figures. The sales for the past three days comprise 19,850 bales. The receipts proper since Friday evening (excluding the arrivals from Mobile, Florida and Texas, which are included in their respective statements,) embrace 10,146 bales, against 15,943 during the corresponding days and last week, showing an increase of 2,203 bales. The exports for the same period comprise 19,277 bales, 6,511 of which were coastwise, and 14,961 to foreign ports.

STATEMENT OF COTTON.

Stock on hand Sept. 1st, 1866	bales 182,982
Received to day	7,207
Received previously	67,977—75,184
Cleared to-day	777
Cleared previously	57,961—58,738
Stock on hand	99,448

The clearances comprise 3075 bales for Liverpool, 1924 for New York.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—All of yesterday's receipts were sold. The receipts since are light and have sold readily as soon as landed. A number of foreign buyers are in the market, and the receipts of new from the West would meet with ready sale. We quote, for reference, Inferior to Trashy Lugs and heavy, 7 to 8, Good 4 to 5c; Inferior to Common Leaf 8 to 9c, Medium Leaf 10 to 11c, Fair 9 to 11c, Fine 12 to 13c, choice selections cutters and bakers 14 to 20c per lb.

FLOUR.—The market is quiet but steady and firm, with a fair demand for the trade. The sales yesterday amounted to 1900 bbls, of which 500 bbls at $10 87½ to 100 Superfine at $12, 1000 bbls at $13 to Family, 400 bbls Bundle Extra on private terms. 400 do at $12 50 to Choice Extra on private terms. 100 do at $12 75, 200 do Extra on private terms 100 do at $13 75, 200 do at $14 per bbl. Molasses—Good 7 to 7½c per gallon, Prime 76 to 77c, Choice 80 to 81c.

Only one steamer has arrived from the West since yesterday, with a cargo of assorted produce.

STEAMBOATS—

St Nicholas, Dority from Grand Ecore.
Texas, Gibbons, for Bayou Rapides.
Lone Star, Hewitt, from Bayou Rapides.
Bastian, Hayes, from Shreveport.
Lone Star, Dufresne, for Bayou Rapides.
A C Brown, Badgett, from Red River.
Mary Fox, Cooper, from Bayou Lafourche.
J H Prior, Reid, from White River.
A C Brown, Badgett, from Lower Coast.

TOWBOAT REGISTER.

Tug Southwest Republic, Southwood, from the Passes—Towed ship Ocean Bird to sea; ship Shakespeare, bark Kingdom and brig Fly Trader.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

Wilmington—Jan 21—Passed by, steamer Augusta, bound to be the Ontario, from Boston for Berlin.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Liverpool, Jan 5—Arrived from New Orleans, steamship Pacific, Hodges.

Rotterdam, Jan 4—Arrived ship Emily, Tuttle, from Liverpool for New Orleans.

Glasgow, Jan 4—Sailed for New Orleans bark Fanny Elder, Forbes, and put into Queenstown on the 8th, leaking.

Malaga, Jan 9—Arrived from Pensacola, bark Arthur Brown, Jan 10.

Bremen, Jan 10—Arrived from New Orleans, ship Portland, Stanton for Havre, sailed 12th.

DISASTERS.

The ship Jane, from Liverpool for New Orleans, put into Queenstown (Cobourg) and in the harbor of Cork May 4th, and was there repaired and sailed May 14th. The ship Ann Eliza, from New Orleans for Liverpool, put into Queenstown on the 8th, leaking.

The ship Ocean Bird, from Liverpool for New Orleans