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NEW ORLEANS:
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IMPROVED REAL ESTATE NEAR ST. MARY'S MARKET AT AUCTION, BY THE SHERIFF, AT TWELVE MONTHS' CREDIT.—Particular attention is called to the sale at auction to be made this day, at noon, at the Merchants' and Auctioneers' Exchange, by the Sheriff of this Parish, of a lot of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated on New Levee street, near St. Mary's Market, 1st District. For particulars and terms see advertisement.

We publish in our advertising columns an announcement of the publication of The Law Register and official Directory for 1868, a work prepared after a great expenditure of labor and money by John Livingston, Esq., of the New York Bar, Secretary of the Merchant's Union Law Company, by whom it is published. It is a valuable book of reference for public officers, bankers and business men generally, has received the unqualified commendation of high officers of the Government at Washington as will be perceived from their certificates embodied in the advertisement, fac similes of which we have seen. It is a compendium of information arranged in a convenient form, a veritable vade mecum which no business man should be without, and so for as we are able to judge, its contents may be relied on as correct up to the latest dates. Besides other information it contains the names of all the lawyers in the United States, all the State and county officers, all the officers of the Federal Government, the duties of the several Departments of the same, forming in fact a manual of reference indispensable to every man having occasion to be informed on the subject matter of the book, for a copy of which we thank Mr. Livingston.

THE LOUISIANA CONSTITUTION SO CALLED.—We publish to-day an order issued by Gen Hancock, directing an election to be held in the various parishes of the State, on the 17th and 18th of April next, on the question of ratification of the negro Constitution, framed by the late Convention of Lunatics and Idiots, upon professing to represent the people of Louisiana. The regulations thus made, if faithfully observed, will tend undoubtedly to bring out a fair expression of opinion on that occasion. Gen Hancock does not order an election of State and parish officers, but indicates the probability of Congress enacting a law to that effect

THE FUNDING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

We published yesterday the text of the ordinance or resolution adopted by both Boards of the Council, on Tuesday last, which, it is understood, has or will be approved by the Mayor, and thus become law. The preamble to the ordinance sets out with an assertion which is not, perhaps, strictly according to the truth: "Whereas, the city note issues are now heavily depreciated, not from any doubt on the part of the holders thereof of their full value, but from the fact that there are more in circulation than are needed for the trade of the city." The chief reason for the depreciation is not the redundancy of circulation, but the want of confidence in the currency and in the disposition of the City Council to take measures for its redemption, and the principal objection to this ordinance is that it seems to have been framed and adopted in the interest of that class of holders of the currency who can keep it without serious inconvenience. Besides, the measure comes too late to have the effect of restoring public confidence. The object of the Council is declared to be the withdrawal from circulation of the large denominations now in use, they say, are "not needed, and have not been used for many months as currency, and may fairly be supposed to be in the hands of capitalists, to whom the proposition, it is presumed, cannot be otherwise than satisfactory." Such is the language of the preamble. There was no pressing necessity to withdraw from circulation the denominations which it is thus attempted, had not been for many months used, but were locked up in the hands of capitalists, nor should the Council have turned their attention to the satisfaction of that class of holders of the currency. They should have legislated in favor of the poorer classes of the population, upon whom the loss caused by this depreciation chiefly falls, and who are least able to bear it. If they had adopted measures looking to the gradual redemption of the small bills by monthly or quarterly appropriations, they might have prevented the further discredit which has fallen upon these issues, and if they had required the City Treasurer to receive at once and pending the preparation of the tax bills, all monies tendered for taxes, such a measure would have had the tendency of restoring confidence and relieving the market of the plethora of small issues, by which it has been weighed down. The currency is now almost universally refused, even at the heavy discount at which the market has ruled for several days.

Saving in Gas.

Perhaps few of our readers are aware that there is large room in their consumption of gas while they are perfectly cognizant of the extravagantness of the article. Fewer still know that the gas which is furnished them by the company owning the monopoly for this city, is far from being as pure as it might be made. Much of the gas that escapes through their burners, and for which, of course, they pay, is really of no service to them, and is improperly which is the cause of this waste, only tends to make the light less bright, more trying to the eyes and to throw out more heat.

A discovery has been made and patented, by which this impure gas may be made to give a softer, steadier, and brighter light with less heat, and to become less wearing to the eyes, at about one-half the usual cost and rate of consumption. The process is safe and simple, and consists in passing the ordinary city gas through a small tin box containing carburetting fluid,—attached to the metre. It is now in operation in the large cities of the North and has worked a revolution there. In the New York *Tribune* office the saving in one month was forty per cent., according to a certificate of the publisher of that paper. In the office of the Richmond *Dispatch* the saving has been as much as $88 feet per day, or a saving in expense of about eight hundred dollars a year. The patent for this apparatus is owned by the American Improved Gas Light Company, of Virginia, a company composed of prominent citizens of Richmond, who have opened an agency in this city. They propose to effect a saving to our consumers of fifty per cent., being compensated for the improvement by which we have made reference by one half of that saving. That is where the consumption of gas, say for one month has cost $20—they propose to give a better light for $10—one half of the amount thus saved to be paid to the company. The cost of introducing the apparatus is inconsiderable.

We have seen the process and can bear testimony to the value of the discovery and the improvement which has been made.

MR. MULLALY'S LECTURE—A lecture so eloquent and so instructive as that of Mr. Mullaly last night we trust he may be persuaded to repeat, as there is a large and thousand of our citizens who would be glad to have an opportunity of hearing him speak on a topic so full of interest as the present political condition and prospects of the country. The National Theatre is too small to accommodate such an audience as the merits of the speaker and the importance of the subject will readily draw together.

THE FRENCH OPERA—The fourth representation of "The Grand Duchess," last night, was given with more ease and more success than on previous performances, the company becoming more familiar with their roles on each repetition. Miss Lambelé was complimented in a marked manner. On Saturday evening "Robert le Diable" is announced with some cast as before

Thanks to Mr J J Johnston, Purser of the steamer "Lecaine, for a late Pensacola paper.

The steamship St. Louis, Capt Sears, from Boston, via Havana, brings the following passengers.

From Boston—Mrs G W Warren, Miss Hosea Warren, Mr Geo W Thrasher, Mr Frank Brown, Mr Chas Thresby From Havana—Mr M A McMahon; Dr De Morell, Mr Francisco Morell, Mr Wm Causey, Mr Domenico Lonisi.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, Office of Secretary for Civil Affairs, *New Orleans, La.*, March 12, 1868.
CIRCULAR No. 8.

It citizens of Election in the State of Louisiana will immediately notify the Secretary for Civil Affairs at these Headquarters, of the acceptance or non-acceptance of their appointments.

Official: W. G. MITCHELL,
Bvt. Lieut Col, U. S. A., Sec'y for Civil Affairs.

The first cargo of halibut arrived at Gloucester, Mass., last Sunday.

Condition and Prospects of the South.

ADMIRABLE LECTURE BY MR. JOHN MULLALY.

The National Theatre was filled last evening with a delighted audience, including a fair sprinkling of ladies, to hear Mr John Mullaly, editor and proprietor of that sterling journal and vindicator of the rights of the people, and particularly the Southern people, the New York *Metropolitan Record*.

Mr. Mullaly's lecture was beautifully written and most admirably delivered. As a composition it was exquisite, and as a lecture bold and comprehensive in range of ideas, depth of thought, force of illustration and impressive eloquence, it was indeed a great success, but occupying, as it did, over two hours in delivery, we regret our inability, for want of room in our columns, to allude even to the many points so eloquently illustrated by the distinguished speaker.

Mr. Mullaly modestly disclaimed having any political nostrums to offer for the cure of the people, but he did not fail to show the great ills to which we of the South were heirs. He counted that the principles of true patriotism—not the so-called "loyalty" of the times—were immutable—that the patriotism of '76, of Washington and others, who were incapable of taking oaths to violate them was that which was now actuating the people and affecting the "great reaction" going on in the country, as stated by the recent Democratic or Conservative victories in the Northern elections; it was the patriotism, the vindication of the rights of the people, which the Democracy and the conservative men of all parties were seeking to re establish in their former purity. He drew the comparison archly between the Copperheads and Radicals during and since the war. The struggle was for free speech, a free press, the *habeas corpus* and States rights, against bastiles, military despotism and tyrannical consolidation, in which the so-called "party of progress," "higher law doctrines" and "great moral ideas" triumphed and yoked white men with slaves. It had been a progress of anarchy, involving the imprisonment of white men for believing in the Constitution which our fathers established, rather than the strange doctrines of these modern "loyalists," whose loyalty, the speaker said, was like that peculiar kind exhibited in 1776, which consisted in fighting with George the III and against George Washington.

Mr. Mullaly here drew a strong picture of the horrible results of this sort of loyalty, and graphically described the horrors of the late war. Alluding to those mockeries of legislation, Southern Conventions, as long as there existed an epark of chivalry in the people, there never could be any permanent peace till the eight millions of Southern white men are restored to their rights in accordance with the principles of free government. The North itself as well as the South would demand this.

The people of the North have penetrated the mazes of deception through which they were so long misled. They have realized too painfully that you have been so impoverished that you are too poor to buy their manufactures, that huge lands of desolated farms are scattered over with a race of blacks too idle and profligate to develop their resources, and that unless a change is speedily effected the work of steam and ship yards, commerce and manufactures of the North will be similarly ruined. Under such circumstances it requires no great foresight to predict the speedy overthrow of Radicals. It is inevitable; for let them ignore what laws they will, there is one, the law of cause and effect, which cannot be set aside. There never doubted, he said, the coming of the "great reaction." In less than four years it will be as difficult to find an out-and-out specimen of the genus Radical as to find a needle in a hay stack. The field of your valor, the sunny South, is an inheritance of which you of the South cannot be deprived.

The South may not yet be able to realize the victories of the Northern elections, which, nevertheless, are as many fruits ripened for the harvest. These victories showed that the Democracy had prevailed, as follows:

In New York	representing	4½ millions population.
Pennsylvania	"	3 "
Ohio	"	3 "
New Jersey and Maryland	"	1½ "
Indiana and Connecticut	"	1½ "
Kentucky	"	1 "

And adding Delaware, say, in all, 14,850,000 population; so that of the whole 25 millions of the North we have 15 millions. There was no cause for discouragement even in the late election in New Hampshire. The Radicals had just impeached the President, and if they failed to carry such an extreme Radical New England State, the impeachment of the President would be a failure. Still they had carried the State by only a decreased, instead of an increased, majority.

Mr. Mullaly drew an humorous and exceedingly satirical picture of the so-called "great national blessing" of the Radicals, the National Debt and its concomitant, the Internal, or Infernal Revenue Department, which, in character ized, in common with the Freedman's Bureau, as refugees for scoundrels. It were better to forfeit and repudiate all such "blessings" than to forfeit our free institutions.

The speaker's encomium upon the women of the South was one of the most eloquent tributes we ever heard. He concluded by urging us to be a live people, and not so dead in abject submission that we cannot even protest against usurpation and tyranny. He was, of course, most rapturously applauded.

State Central Committee, Appointed Under Resolution of the Louisiana Democratic State Convention, Held in the City of New Orleans 5th and 6th March, Instant, 1868.

For the City of New Orleans at Large—J. B. Walton, James Moore, E. Solomon.

Precinct No. 1—First Ward—T. L. Mason, J. M. Reid. Second Ward—Alex. Walker, M. D. Logan. Third Ward—J. O. Nixon, John Hare. Fourth Ward—Thomas Whitney, H. F. Sturcken. Fifth Ward—R. D. Hubbard, L. Bronier Sixth Ward—John Pemberton, Geo. W White Seventh Ward—T. T. Tuteur.

Precinct No. 2—Eighth Ward—M. O. Tracey, G. Delamore. Ninth Ward Robert Wynne, Frederick Loeberg. Tenth Ward—J. E. Austin, Geo. Dirmeyer. Eleventh Ward—W. Bowerbank, John Green.

Parish of Orleans, Rural Limit—A. B. Bacon, Thomas H. Jones

County of Jefferson—Thiquemines—Charles J Villere, H. P Kernochan

St Bernard—A W Walker, Philip Toca. Caddo—J. C Monsure, R. Walsh.

De Soto—J. H Lucas, J. Gellin.

Sabine.—E. C Davidson, R L Armstrong

Natchitoches S M Evans, David Pearson.

Rapides—R. R Howell, J C Wise.

Avoyelles.—Alfred E. Irion, B W. Blakewood

St Landry.—J. H. Overton, Adolph Garnerie.

Calcasieu.—David J. Reid, W. H. Haskell.

Lafayette—A. D. Bodiman, M. E. Girard.

Vermillion—Moses Hebert, Nicholas Young

St. Martin —A. Dupertier, Alcibiade De Blanc.

St. Mary—R. C White, Daniel Dennett.

Lafourche—John Nelson, B. T. Grissamore.

Terrebonne—F. S Goode, Andrew McCollum

Jefferson.—A G. Brice, F. H. Hatch.

St. Charles—Charles Davenport, F. B. Trépagnier.

St. James—Emile Legendre, J. K. Gaudet.

St. John Baptist—Michel Recnel, Samuel Hollings worth.

Ascension—D F Kenner, Trasimond Landry.

Assumption—W. W Pugh, F. T. Nicholls.

Iberville—C. Ward, Charles Brusle.

West Baton Rouge—H. M. Favrot, B. W. Clark.

Point Coupee—L. B. Claiborne, D. T. Merrick.

Concordia—John Janney, G. W. Green.

Tensas—Thomas P. Farrar, Thomas Newell.

Madison—Samuel Anderson, W. R. Peck.

Carroll—John Bishop, F. C. Scarborough.

Morehouse—Jacob Hinn, Bernard Turpin.

Ouachita—John McEnnery, Eugene Tisdale.

Franklin—John W. Willis, Duncan Buie.

Caldwell—C. M. Spencer, Malcolm Hodie.

Catahoula—W. I. Ditto, Charles Jones.

Winn—Dan. Kelly, Alphonso Simson.

Jackson—A. C. Simonton, J. E. Hamlet.

Union—J F Fuller, T. H. Tompkins.

Claiborne—Allen Hill, J. W. Berry.

Bossier—B W Turner, P Y O'Neill.

Bienville—Thos. Hall, D. Head.

West Feliciana—J. Hunter Collins, V. D. Walsh

East Feliciana—John McVea, D. C. Harden.

East Baton Rouge—J. O. Fuqua, D. C. Monton

St Helena—Chas S Stewart, E. F. Russell

Washington—Alfred Shaw, Edward Lincum

Livingston—John W. Addison, John Q Wall.

St. Tammany—Bolivar Edwards, James Thompson.

JOHN M SANDIDGE,
President Committee.

Pennsylvania.

THE REVOLUTIONARY CONDUCT OF CONGRESS CONTEMNED.

Philadelphia, Feb. 29, 1868.—An immense Democratic meeting was held here to-night. Addresses were only made by local celebrities, and resolutions were passed as follows:

The Democracy-Conservative citizens of Philadelphia, regarding the Government of the United States as the constitutional system founded by our patriot fathers, sages and statesmen, and which we have inherited, God helping them, to maintain the Union and Constitution against all enemies.

Resolved, That representing a majority of the people of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania, the usurpation and revolutionary action of the representatives of a portion of the States of the Union in the so called Congress now assembled is rebellion against the Government, that Congress is the constitutional department of the Government, and that no powers are granted by the Constitution, and without the authority all its acts outside of the Constitution are rebellious efforts to subvert the Government; that we protest against the usurpation of Congress in attempting to destroy the constitutional powers of the Executive department and Judicial department of the Federal Government, they being co-ordinate and co-equal with the Legislature, and alike beyond its control; that the people have subdued one rebellion against the Union and the Constitution, waged by war, thus declaring by decision of arms that the Union is and Constitution shall be paramount and beyond all efforts to destroy them, and that the action of the so-called Congress is a second rebellion to prevent the Union of the States and destroy the Supremacy of the Constitution; that we will sustain and support the Executive and Judicial departments against usurpations of Congress, and give our aid and comfort to the President and the United States in acts which are for the defence of the Union and the Constitution against legislative treason; that all patriots will seek to prevent this may be justly regarded as a success to the cause and welfare of the community, and all who stimulate to violence, whether they be Governors of States or members of the Legislature, should be denounced as traitors to the Constitution and the laws they have sworn to support; that the white race is the governing source in all political power under the Constitution and the people of the United States we will never submit to any policy of Congress which proposes to give the negro race either political power or social equity, that copies of this preamble and resolutions be signed by the officers of this meeting and sent to the presiding officer of the Senate and the presiding officer of the members called the House of Representatives, now assembled in Washington, District of Columbia, and to the President of the United States.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, *New Orleans, La.*, March 11, 1868.
Special Orders No. 55.

EXTRACT.

3. WHEREAS, A Convention recently assembled at New Orleans, La] in compliance with Special Orders No. 166, from these Headquarters, dated October 21, 1867, did, in pursuance of the acts of Congress mentioned in said order, proceed to frame a Constitution and civil government for the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, The act of Congress provide that the election for the ratification of said Constitution, shall be conducted by the officers or persons appointed or to be appointed by the Commanding General; said election will be held in the State of Louisiana, from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M., on the 17th and 18th days of April, 1868, at which the registered voters of said State may vote for or against the Constitution submitted to them by said Convention.

1. Commencing fourteen days before the election, Boards of Registrars, will, after having given reasonable public notice, revise at the places where the Boards are in session, for a period of five days, the registration list, and upon being satisfied that any person not entitled thereto has been registered, will strike the name of such person from the list. The Boards will also, during the same period, add to the registry the names of all persons who at that time possesses the qualifications required by law, and who have not been registered. See sec. 7, Supplementary Act of July 19, 1867.

Upon completion of the revision of registration, the Board of Registrars will immediately proceed to make up their precinct poll books for this purpose they will use the precinct books used at the last election, making the necessary corrections. They will also forward to these Headquarters a tabular statement, giving the number of persons registered (white and colored) during the revision; the number rejected (white and colored); the names of the persons refused registration and stricken from the rolls, will be given with statement showing the causes therefor.

II The polls will be opened at every voting precinct in each Parish at the places designated by law. No person will be allowed to vote whose name does not appear on the registry list. The election will be by ballot. Those voting in favor of the Constitution shall have written or printed on the ballot by which they vote as aforesaid, the words, 'For the Constitution,' and those voting against the Constitution shall have written or printed on such ballots the words 'Against the Constitution.' Each ballot presented by a colored voter will be marked "Colored" by one of the Judges of election. Poll books will be kept of the names of the voters as at ordinary elections in the State. As each voter presents his certificate one of the Judges will enter on it "Voted," with the date, and signed by one of the Commissioners.

III. The Boards of Registration of each Parish, will be superintendents of, and will conduct the election, and will see that all the necessary preparations are made for properly conducting the same; that due and sufficient notice is given of the time and object of the election, Commissioners appointed, proper ballot-boxes prepared, etc.]

If, from any cause, any of the Registrars of a Parish fail to perform the duty incumbent upon them, either at the revision directed in Paragraph 1, or at the election, their places will be filled by the Clerk of the District Court, the Recorder of the parish or Assessor of the parish Court in the order named, provided they can qualify according to law. If vacancies cannot thus be filled, the remaining portion of the Registration Board will fill them with persons who can duly qualify, notifying this office of the same.

IV. The election at each precinct will be presided over by the three commissioners, who will be sworn in the same manner as the Registrars.

Should only two of the commissioners be present, they shall appoint a third; should one be present, he shall appoint another, and they together shall appoint a third.

To carry out this, commissioners are authorized to administer the oath prescribed.

V. At the close of the election, the commissioners will carefully count and make duplicate returns of the result of the election, which also, in four separate lists, respectively, the number of white voters for, the number of colored voters for, and the number of each, against the Constitution. One list shall also be replaced in the ballot boxes, which will be sealed, and together with the registration and election returns, delivered by one of the Commissioners to the Court House, or place designated, and turned over to the Board of Registrars.

The Board will then carefully count and make duplicate returns of the votes cast, in the manner prescribed for commissioners of election, and will see that the votes of each precinct corresponds with the record of the commissioners.

The ballots will then be replaced in the ballot-boxes, which will be sealed, tied together with the registration of election records, will be turned over to such parish officer or member of the Registration Board as the Board may select, who will receipt therefor, and will be held responsible for the same. Each member of the Board will make affidavit to the correctness of the returns in one copy of which will then be brought by some member of the Board to the Commanding General of the Fifth Military District, New Orleans, where it shall remain and be retained by the Board until further orders.

VI. The Boards of Registrars and Commissioners will see that a full and fair opportunity is given for depositing his ballot, to every man entitled to vote, and will generally do every thing that is requisite to secure a full and impartial expression of the opinions and wishes of the registered voters.

VII. If from any cause the elections in any of the precincts cannot be held, or from any cause the inability to procure properly qualified Commissioners, the Boards of Registrars will give timely notice to the voters thereof as to where they shall vote in an adjoining precinct, in their own Parishes.

VIII No persons shall act as Commissioners or Registrars, nor shall they vote, who are candidates at the election for any office.

IX. The Sheriff of the Parish is made responsible for the preservation of good order, and the perfect freedom of the ballot at the several election precincts in his parish. To this end he will appoint a deputy—who shall be duly qualified under the laws of the State—for each precinct in the Parish, who will be required to be present at the place of voting during the whole time the election is being held. The said deputies will promptly obey and execute all lawful mand made upon their official services in preserving the peace and good order by the Commissioners of election. Deputies appointed in accordance with the foregoing will be paid the same as Commissioners, on accounts approved by the Register, out of the reconstruction fund.

As an additional measure to secure the purity of the election, each Commissioner and Registrar is hereby clothed with full police power and authority to call upon the civil officers of the Parish to make arrests, and in case of the failure of the aforesaid civil officers, are empowered to perform their duties, during said election. They will make full report of such failures on the part of civil officers, to the Commanding Officer of the District, for his action.

X. All places where intoxicating liquors are retailed, will be closed on the days of election, and sale and use of liquors is prohibited during said election days

XI. Military interference with elections, "unless it shall be necessary to keep the peace at the polls," is prohibited by law; and no soldiers will be allowed to appear at any polling place, unless as citizens of the State, and registered as voters, and then only for the purpose of voting; but the Commanders of Posts will be prepared to act promptly if the civil authorities fail to preserve the peace.

XII. When the returns shall have been received at the Headquarters of the Fifth Military District, the result of the election will be published by the Commander thereof.

XIII. Persons who convey returns to the Headquarters of the Fifth Military District, will be paid, at New Orleans, reasonable expenses incurred in making the journey and returning.

XIV. In case of questions arising as to the right of any individual to be registered, the person deeming himself aggrieved is entitled to his appeal from the decision of the Registrars and the Boards are directed to make a full statement of the facts in such cases; and to forward the same to these Headquarters without unnecessary delay.

XV. Should Congress enact hereafter that at the approaching election votes shall also be cast for State and other officers, the same Commissioners and Commissioners will act under this order for the election of said officers. In such an event, orders will issue from these Headquarters notifying the qualified voters that such an election is authorized.

By command of Major General HANCOCK.
GEO. L HARTSUFF,
Official: Assistant Adjutant General.
NATHANIEL MCKIBBAN,
2d Lieut. 37 Infy. Brvt. Lieut. U. S. Army,
Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

We do not know but we infer that Mr. Hendricks, of Indiana, withdrew his objection to the swearing of Mr. Wade with the expectation that the same objection would be raised in another form from before the commencement of the trial. Mr. Johnson surely has the right to challenge any one of the judges for cause.

The Maryland Legislature acted wisely in sending to the Senate, at this critical time, a man against whom no objection can be raised on the score of his antecedents The Washington correspondent of the *Gazette* says positively, however, that the new Senator will not be admitted pending the impeachment trial.

We on Saturday saw a gentleman just from Washington who wanted to bet that Mr. Johnson will not be convicted. It is some satisfaction to know that there is still one hopeful man in the country.

PENNSYLVANIA — ANOTHER DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.—The election at Lockhaven, 29th, resulted in a grand triumph, every ward going Democratic. The majority for E. W. Bridgers, Mayor, is 193 against 83 last Fall. No recruits here for Geary.

L. V. B. MARTIN ABSCONDED.—We find the following in the Montgomery *Sentinel*, of the 9th inst:

We learn that L. V. B. Martin, who attempted to assassinate Judge Busteed, in the streets of Mobile last fall, has absconded, and is nowhere to be found.

A military commission had been organized to try Martin for this murderous outrage, he getting the news of it, when an officer with a squad of men called for him at Tuscaloosa, he was not to be found. It is thought that Martin has made his way to Jamaica or Honduras.

A French paper, somewhat given to boasting, tells a story to illustrate the triumphs of French literature and the peculiarly simple character of the French language. It is said that a German gentleman was obliged to submit to a surgical operation by which he lost a considerable portion of his tongue. He could not talk, and after waiting a long time, he wished to break his long enforced silence, and tried to speak to his servant some words in German. He found it impossible to articulate a single word. He tried to speak in French, and his tongue worked almost as well as before the operation.

A German newspaper tells of a most touchingly simple will that was left recently by a German clergyman of Relfnitz. It consists of this line only: "My soul to God, my body to earth, and my money to our Deaf and Dumb Hospital. The property of the deceased, who has led a most rigorously abstemious life, amounts to $35,000.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Reportorial Repertory—The City Treasurer denies the report that city notes are not received at his office for the payment of dues. The tax bills are expected to be ready for collection the 1st proximo.

A Mr. Faucher yesterday excited some sensation on the levee, by driving his stallion, Bashaw, to a buggy without the aid of bits or reins, the horse being directed by motions of the whip. The thing was a success.

Gen. Hancock has called a board of survey, to meet this morning, to determine, if possible, who is responsible for the deficiency of $100 from a sealed package said to contain $30,000 in Government funds, received by Capt. Hoyt at Brownsville, Texas, last December, from the Assistant U. S. Treasurer, of New Orleans.

One of the Recorders administered, yesterday, the oath to a witness by using a novel instead of the bible.

Wm. L. Sanford, recently appointed Government Appraiser of merchandize in this city, has forwarded his oath of office to Washington.

Collector Kellogg is subjecting his clerical force to sharp numerical reduction.

Board of Assistant Aldermen.—The Board met last night pursuant to adjournment. President Hepp in the chair.

The following communication was read from the Mayor:

To the Honorable Board of Assistant Aldermen:

I have the honor of submitting to you, as a means of relieving the city of New Orleans from its present financial embarrassments, a proposal to sell the use of the various public markets for a term of fifteen years. I have made a careful estimate of the probable receipts arising from this source, based upon the sale of the same for the present year, and find that the results are sufficiently encouraging to justify the belief that the measure proposed will fully meet the difficulties under which we are laboring.

E. HEATH, Mayor.

The communication was referred to a Committee of both Boards.

The Committee on Improvements offered the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby authorized to order the contractor for lighting the city with oil, to erect lamp posts and lights at the following designated places: One on Jackson street, First, Second, Third, Fourth, Washington, Magnolia and Prytania streets, at the intersection of the north side of Claiborne street. Passed finally.

A resolution from the Upper Board renting to the Police Jubilee, for the term of two years, the iron building at the head of Canal street, for a market, was amended so as to allow the lessee to use the building for any lawful purpose, he losing to keep the same in good condition and his improvements to revert to the city at the end of the lease. Passed finally and sent down.

The following petitions were received:

From John Handy, asking to be refunded the amount of taxes for 1867, on property destroyed by fire in the early part of the same year.

From Giovanni Messina, proposing to furnish the city with 1,000 bushels of oyster shells, at 26 cents per barrel. Referred.

From citizens residing in the vicinity of Bienville street, near Gayoso, asking for the sidewalks in place of the bridges on Galvez and Bienville streets. Referred.

From the police officers of the city, complaining that the payment for uniforms has been enforced, and asking the amount to be refunded, giving as reasons the high rents, the cost of necessaries of life, the losses by sickness during the past epidemic, the small amount of their salaries as compared with those of the police of other cities, and the depreciation of city money. Referred.

A petition from the Fair Association, asking that a certain lot of iron posts, chains, and old iron enclosure, now in the possession of the association was tabled, and the Committee on Streets and Landings were directed by resolution to ascertain what use could be made of said property.

The following was offered by Davies:

Be it resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby requested to call upon the Governor-elect, with to get possession of all the plates on which any of the city bills have been printed, for the purpose of having the same destroyed in his presence, and if the city officers, whose duty it is to witness the destruction of city bills.

Adopted finally.

A resolution instructing the Street Commissioner to inquire how many of the street railways comply with their agreement to keep in repair and clean the streets on which tracks are laid, was adopted.

Board adjourned.

Facts from Articles—Collectors and other officers of the Customs are hereby informed that hereafter no vessels from the British Provinces in American vessels, accompanied by a certificate from the United States Consul resident thereat, showing that they are the product of and were cleared from American sailing vessels in Alaska, and that their landing at said Islands was merely an accident in their transportation to the United States, will be admitted to entry free from duty. By order of J. F Hartley, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Burglary.—The residence of James Monahan, on St Charles street, near Melpomene District, was entered by burglars with the exception of some silver plate of the value of $100 taken, and carried away. No clue was left by which the thieves could be traced. The house was entered from a window on the gallery.

Run Over.—About 4 o'clock on Wednesday a hand car loaded with dirt, belonging to the new Canal Street railroad, ran over a boy of about nine years old, named William Sellner, crushing his thigh badly. No blame is attached to the men who were driving the car.

Fatal Difficulty Court.—The house was crowded on a charge of cutting and wounding Joe anna Shoughnut in the arm and the right side, all without provocation, on the 2d January last, while she was at work before a machine in her room, No. 120 Gravier street. She had been divorced from him the 26th November, 1867. Bonds in the penalty of $1,000, with a recommendation to the mercy of the Court.

Drowned.—About 5½ o'clock last evening, a white boy named William Ryan, about ten years old, accidentally fell over from a skiff in the Old Basin, at the intersection of Villere street and was drowned. The body was recovered and brought to the Station and the Coroner notified.

Lessons from an Old Merchant.

That veteran and honorable merchant, Jonathan Sturges, of New York, at the dinner given in his honor, on the occasion of his retirement from business, gave the following golden counsel to young men:

Now, gentlemen, since there is nothing that I can talk about that you do not understand a great deal better than I do, I propose to say a few words to you, by way of advice, for the moment, and if you approve of what is said, let it be considered as said by this grand jury of merchants now assembled.

Out of the 21 years that I received was in 1863, when I was eleven years of age. My grandfather had collected a fine flock of merino sheep, which were carefully cherished during the war of 1812-15. I was a shepherd boy and my business was to watch the sheep in the fields. A boy, who was more fond of his books than of sheep, was sent with me, but left the whole care to me, while he lay in the shade and read his books.

I finally complained of this to the old gentleman I shall never forget his benignant smile as he replied: "Never you mind, if you watch the sheep you will have the sheep." I thought to myself, what does the old gentleman mean? But I took care of the sheep, and my aspirations were quite moderate in those days, and a first rate merino buck was worth $1000! I could not make out exactly what he meant, but I had great confidence in him, for he was a judge and had been to Congress in Washington's time; so I concluded that it was all right, whatever he meant, and went cheerfully with the sheep all day. After I got to the field I could not get that idea out of my head. Finally I thought of my Sunday lesson: "Then hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thine ruler over many things." Then I understood it. Never you mind who else neglected his duty, do you do your own, and leave your reward. I do not think it will take many days as long as it did me to understand this proverb.

I received my second lesson soon after I came to the city, and it was decided by the late Lemuel Bevan. A merchant from Ohio, who knew me, came to purchase goods of Mr. Reed. He expressed his gratification at finding me there, and said to me, "You have got a good place. Make yourself so useful that they cannot do without you." I took his meaning quicker than I did the proverb about the sheep. Well, I worked upon these two ideas until Mr. Reed offered me an interest in his business.

The first morning after the copartnership was announced, Mr. James Geery, the old tea merchant, called to see me, and said to me: "You are all right now. I have one word of advice to give you. Be careful who you walk the streets with" That was lesson number three

In this connection I must repeat an anecdote told of the late Samuel Cornell, a country merchant came into the store of Mr. Burton, a highly respectable Scotch merchant to purchase goods. He spoke about credit, reference, &c. Mr. Burton said, "I don't care for you what credit you wish." "But," said the merchant, "I am an active stranger to you." Mr. Burton replied, "Then I will meet at the church with Robert Lennox?" "Yes, I was at church with him" "Well, I will trust any man whom Robert Lennox will take to church with him."

I hope these three lessons of watchfulness over the interests of their employers, watchfulness over their partners' interests and their own, will not be considered lost, followed by intense watchfulness that no black sheep creep into their folds may be impressed by these spectacles upon the minds of those for whom they are intended.

One other lesson I feel it very necessary to inculcate—that of patience.

With a little patience most young men will find a position as high as they have fitted themselves to fill.

In all the changes which have taken place in my firm since 1822, no partner has been brought in who has not served as a clerk in the establishment for a period before as partner. In our new house, organized, prosperous, and free from complications, still in the hands of those who have served in it as clerks for a longer or shorter period. I mention this as an encouragement to young men to persevere in the faithful performance of their duties.

WHY MR JOHNSON WILL BE CONVICTED—Bennett's *Herald* well says "that the Republican party is already crumbling to pieces, and that Johnson's acquittal would fall into the party camp like a bombshell, and blow it into atoms! The removal of Johnson will probably finish it; but his acquittal will do the thing at once. They are in the Rubicon, and, pit or mise, they must cross it. Their chances look blue on either side, but a retreat is certain destruction."

BY TELEGRAPH.

(To the New Orleans Bee.)

FROM WASHINGTON.

Proceedings of Congress.

The Southern Conventions.

FROM EUROPE.

Foreign and Domestic Markets.

From Southwest Pass.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

Washington, March 12.—SENATE—A bill was introduced allowing rum and alcohol contracted for and manufactured before the act of January, 1868, to be exported if done within thirty days, on proper proof. Sherman claimed that this bill would open the doors to frauds

Pensions discussed, when the Senate went into executive session, but came out in a few minutes and concurred in the House amendment to the bill amending the judiciary acts, which now goes to the President.

The Senate again went into executive session and adjourned.

HOUSE—The Freedman's Bureau extension was postponed to Tuesday.

The Senate resolution, erecting a military warehouse at Fortress Monroe, passed.

Internal mismanagement of the Treasury was discussed at length.

A bill constituting the Secretaries of War and Treasury, and the Attorney General a board to fix charges on the Pacific Railroad, passed.

The Senate bill to amend Judiciary act 89 to appeal suits arising from the collection of revenues passed with an amendment repealing so much of the act of February 5th, 1857, being an act to amend the Judiciary act of 89 as authorizes an appeal from the judgment of the Circuit Court to the Supreme Court or the exercise of any such jurisdiction by the Supreme Court or appeals that have been or may hereafter be taken.

Stevens called up the Alabama admission but Blaine moved to adjourn. Carried.

Washington, March 12 Stanberry's resignation has been accepted, and he will defend the President.

The bill making a majority of votes cast ratify constitutions and allowing registered person to vote anywhere in the State after ten days residence on certificate, affidavit or other evidence is a law by the lapse of ten days.

The Republican majority in New Hampshire between 5,000 and 6,000. The total vote is 77,000 Each party carries five counties.

It is stated that Chase favors allowing the President 20 or 30 days to prepare his case Chase will insist on a reasonable time being given.

The Impeachment Managers are very busy taking evidence.

Thirty additional Senate Doorkeepers have been employed.

The President has remitted the sentence of the Military Commission at Yorkeburg, May, 1867, whereby Abel Wall, a citizen, was sentenced to 7 years' hard labor in the Arkansas penitentiary; also, Richard Scott, of Pulaski county. These remissions are issued to a general order, signed by Grant, on the Presidential election.

Internal revenue receipts to-day $598,000

There was a special Cabinet meeting to-day All the members were present.

The Chase letter is a good reason for saying that no decision will be rendered in the McCardle case for two or three days, and it is said that the Democratic majority in the Judiciary bill passed to-day becomes law, it will throw the McCardle case out of court."

Washington, March 12—The following appointments have been confirmed: Lewis Wolffley, Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of Louisiana.

Charles Van Winckle, United States Marshal for Virginia

J. W. Scott, Consul at Matamoras, Mexico

Washington, March 12—The following is a full text of the judicial amendment passed today by the House:

Be it enacted, That so much of the act approved February 5th, 1857, entitled "An act to amend an act to establish the Judicial Courts of the United States, approved September 24th, 1789," as authorizes an appeal from the