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TO OUR ADVERTISING PATRONS.

Our advertising friends will please take notice that, according to custom, the BEE will not be published on Saturday next, Dec. 26th, nor on Saturday, Jan. 2d. These issues will be omitted to enable our employés to have the full enjoyment of Christmas and New Year's Days.

THE CITY FINANCES.

The Board of Aldermen at their meeting last night concurred in the resolution adopted by the Assistant Board a week ago, that the officers of the city should after the 1st January next receive in payment of taxes, licenses or any other dues, only United States currency, that no more city money be paid out by the Treasurer on any account whatever, and that all city money now in the Treasury be destroyed. This resolution now goes to the Mayor; if it should be approved by him the city government will be liable to the charge of intending to repudiate its debts. We hope therefore that the Mayor will pause before committing the city of New Orleans to so disgraceful a proceeding.

We do not believe the tax-payers will approve of this resolution of the Council unless it be modified so as to allow of a partial payment of taxes in city currency, and they may be expected to test the question by refusing to pay taxes in any but city money, since the Council are determined to have their own way, rather than show a disposition to meet the just demands of the people and recognize the necessities of the situation, which imperiously dictate, in the first place, a policy of severe retrenchment. In saying this, however, we do not wish to be understood as opposing the method in toto the Council has determined to adopt for the purpose of obtaining United States currency for the uses of its Treasury. It is clear that the City Government cannot go on without a supply of such currency but we contend that it is not necessary to require all of the taxes and licenses to be paid in greenbacks, and that a certain proportion of them should be receivable in city currency—one-third or even one-fourth would suffice to show that the intention was not to repudiate. As it is, no assurances the city authorities can give will convince the people, if this resolution shall become law, that these authorities intend there shall be any further virtue in city currency for any purpose, now or hereafter. Nothing will be left the tax-payers to do but to resist this method of over-reaching them. It is all very well to say that the city currency constitutes a debt, the city is bound in honor to pay when it is able, but nobody puts any trust in a promise of that kind. Who can tell what a future city government may do, admitting that the present one means to carry out what it now promises? We say to the members of the Council that there is no escape from the fact that the city of New Orleans cannot afford, in present circumstances, the scale of expenditure under which its government is now being carried on, and that *it must be cut down*, or bankruptcy is inevitable.

GENERAL JOHN L. LEWIS.—We are authorized to state that our fellow-citizen General John L. Lewis (our former Mayor) is not the party of that name mentioned in the bill which has been introduced in the Senate of the United States by Mr. Kellogg, having for its object the removal of the political disabilities of certain citizens of this State. General Lewis does not believe he is meant because he has never asked that any such exception should be made in his favor. The benefit may possibly be intended for a citizen of the same name who resides in North Louisiana.

False Weights and Adulterations.

The New York *World* is engaged in exposing a systematic practice of swindling—in the aggregate—stupendous—by retail grocers and provision dealers in that city, upon their customers by means of false weights and measures and the adulteration of their goods.

The *World* has employed a special reporter, assisted by a competent house keeper, to make purchases of articles of ordinary household consumption, and thereafter to test the weight or measure of these articles by means of sealed measures, and officially verified scales. It has also employed a competent chemist to analyze articles with an eye to the discovery of adulterations. The results of these tests are fairly startling. They prove that adulterations are frequent, and false weights and measures almost universal.

The *World* says:

It is estimated that the loss of consumers by false weights and adulterants is full 15 per cent., and the aggregate of such losses in a city like this is actually astounding when we reckon the population and their purchases. The one million people on this island, counting all classes, consume an average value of food amounting to one dollar daily for each person, rich and poor. This is an aggregate of $7,000,000 a week and $364,000,000 a year, so that with 15 per cent. of cheating, the people are actually swindled out of $54,000,000 every year in their purchases of food.

This gigantic swindling bears most heavily upon the poor, who make their purchases in small quantities and who are cheated most. The smallest dealers are the greatest swindlers, and the retailers, as a class, are robbers. We have made and shall push these investigations without fear or favor. It is not a mere raid upon retailers or upon any class of dealers, but to compel a reform which the public interests imperatively demand.

Purser Jackson, of the steamship Maryland, from Havana, has favored us with late papers from that port.

ARRIVAL OF THE BIENVILLE.—The steamship Bienville, Capt. Parker, arrived Monday night from New York, 12th inst., via Havana, with a full freight and the following named passengers:

F. W. Perkins, Miss L. Howard, F. Martinez Cantera, L. Santistebar, Mr. Boffoia, Mr. J. A. Somera, M. J. Fuentes, Mr. F. Arandia, and J. Carbonelli.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The grand fairy legendary spectacle "Undine" again at the Academy to-night. The scenery is gorgeous, the ballets are vivaciously danced, particularly the "Can Can," in which Miss Schlke excels, and is admirably assisted by Misses Cribelli, Birch, Roberts, Evers, Bertha, and others. Miss Engel also appears to fine advantage, and Mrs. Oates, the star regnant of all, is absolutely charming, both in singing and acting, never failing to elicit repeated and rapturous applause.

The little folk should not forget the five thousand toys to be distributed for their special benefit, at the annual gift matinée of the Academy, Christmas noon.

ST CHARLES THEATRE.—The beautiful fairy spectacle, "Cinderella," is to be produced for the first time to-night by Whitman's celebrated Parisian ballet troupe, and is to be repeated for the grand gift matinée at the St. Charles, Christmas noon, when five thousand toys will be distributed as presents to the little ones and their friends who are fortunate enough to be present. The little ones have all read or heard of the story of "Cinderella, or the Glass Slipper," and will be delighted to see it illustrated in all brilliancy on the stage.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—The brilliant and charming play "The Lancashire Lass", which is produced with such fine mechanical effects and in the generally excellent style, characteristic of the Varieties, is to be repeated to-night. No one should fail to see this splendid piece while the opportunity offers.

CRESCENT CITY MUSEUM. Besides witnessing the exploits of the man frog, Mr. Richards, who eats, smokes and drinks for several minutes under water, the double-headed girl, the pretty Circassian girl, the skeleton man, the bearded lady, the dwarf, Mrs Briggs, a variety of beautiful birds and rare animals of all climes, including the baby hose, one can hardly be more interested than by witnessing at the Museum the glass blowing of Prof. Greiner who is a master of the art and spins out the most beautiful creations from glass, in perfect imitation of anything he desires, even engines, run by steam. His creations, by the way, are admirable for Christmas presents.

OLYMPIC VARIETIES.—Noticed in another column.

THE PURCHASE OF SAMANA BAY AND PENINSULA.—News has arrived here that the famous Samana Bay purchase has been completed. Under the Presidency of Cabral, Mr. Frederick Seward was commissioned to offer $2,000,000 for it, which was refused. President Baez, however, when he came into power, evidently found himself hard pressed, and through his commissioner, Mr. Fabens, applied to the United States Government in hope of having the offer renewed. Certain New York capitalists entered into a preliminary contract with Mr. Fabens for a perpetual lease of the bay and peninsula, which contract has just been approved by the Dominican Government, and a large amount paid down by the New York parties. It is understood that the whole affair is moved from Washington, and that so soon as occupation is given, the United States will proceed to establish a naval station there, leaving St. Thomas to shake to pieces when it pleases.—*New York Herald.*

A Savannah editor declares that the great curse of the country is indiscriminate suffrage, and that a permissive Providence may tolerate those extreme measures just to disgust the world with the whole system, and bring the public mind back to the dictates of common sense.

Louisiana Items.

The *Empire Parish*, of Plaquemines, says:

In this parish the weather has been, for the past week, all that our sugar planters could reasonably desire, and with their accustomed energy they have availed themselves of the sunshine and are progressing finely in the manufacture of our great staples, sugar and molasses, which in quantity per acre are far above the usual average yield, and excellent in quality.

The sugar lands of Plaquemines are in active request, command higher prices than similar lands in any other section of the State, and are still rising in value. The best proof of this fact is the late sale by our sheriff of the splendid sugar plantation, known as "Bel Air," for $87,000.

The orange crop, one of our most important crops, is, as stated in a previous article, somewhat short, but it is thought the deficiency in quantity is more than compensated by the superior quality of this universally popular and most delicious fruit, and notwithstanding the continued ravages of the *chenille*, old orange groves are being renovated and new ones planted, as, with all its drawbacks, the orange is the most certain, the most easily cultivated and the most remunerative of all our crops. B. Easterling, Esq., of Buras Settlement, who has, with his usual foresight and energy, taken proper measures to check the ravages of the *chenille*, has sold his orange crop this season for $3200. He has one of the finest and most productive groves in this parish, which he maintains by a liberal expenditure of labor and money, and the skillful and persistent use of approved remedies for the disease, which now rages among our orange trees. Our orange planters would do well to imitate his example, save their orange groves and avail themselves of the invaluable experience of scientific orange planters.

For the terrible and fatal disease which now rages among the orange groves of the lower coast, many remedies have been proposed, and Mr. B. Easterling, who, we believe, has tested them all, prefers a strong decoction of tobacco stems, with which he carefully and thoroughly washes his trees. The effect, he states, is almost magical—the *chenille* is invariably destroyed, sickly trees are restored to health, and trees, not apparently diseased, are improved in strength and vigor by the application.

The Baton Rouge *Gazette* and *Comet* says: The Baton Rouge, Grosse Tête and Opelousas railroad has been thoroughly repaired to Rosedale. On Monday next the hand-cars will be superseded by the locomotive.

The Natchitoches *Times* says: It is ascertained that R. W. Taliaferro, late Post Master at New Orleans, falls short about $20,000 which he owes to the United States. Suits against him and his sureties are to be pushed with the utmost rigor of the law. The sureties on his first bond, which amounts to $17,000, are J. Madison Wells and Gen. Wm. Bailey; on his second bond, amounting to $13,000, Wells, Bailey and John Ray are the securities. A very nice kettle of "loyal" fish.

The Point Coupée *Echo* says: Work on the Grand levee is progressing very rapidly and we are informed by Mr. Van Wickle, member of the Board of Public Works, that every effort will be made to complete the work.

Most of the sugar planters in this parish have finished grinding. The yield has been very good. On one plantation we are informed that ten acres yielded thirty-one hogsheads of sugar; four thousand pounds to the acre.

The Thibodaux *Sentinel* says:

THE CROP IN LAFOURCHE.—We have returns from 11 plantations, giving 453 hogsheads of sugar.

GOOD SUGGESTION.—We have learned that in nearly every Parish of this State a Convention of planters or employers has been held, for the purpose of establishing and perfecting some uniform and practicable system of labor, and to discuss the points bearing upon so important a subject.

We apprehend it would be of vast importance and utility to our parish if some concerted action could be taken in this direction, to obviate many difficulties resulting from the present incomplete and unsettled system, and also to secure, by united efforts a considerable increase of working hands, which will be required to make sure of a large crop for next year.

We therefore earnestly recommend the holding of a Convention at an early date.

The matter has been suggested to us by some of our prominent citizens, and it has been proposed that a Convention should be held on the second day of January 1869.

The Terrebonne *Civic Guard* says:

The weather was horrible during the early part of the week and many a planter looked blue, and felt blue, too, but it has cleared up during the past two days and is quite warm and sunshiny. In fact it is too warm for sugar making and planters are fearing the cane which was frozen will soon begin to spoil. Our planters had quite a favorable season to make sugar until the past few days, but we fear they will have a very hard time of it to save the remainder of the crop. Few people who do not live in a sugar making region ever dream of the vast amount of physical labor, mental toil, exposure, hardship, loss of sleep, and constant energy, to say nothing of the great expense in money, that is required to cultivate a crop of cane and manufacture it into sugar. This thought occurred to us the other day while riding through a large sugar plantation on the Little Caillou, (Capt. A. G. Cage's) where we found the planter, the overseer, (Mr. Mahoney,) and all the laborers, up to their knees in water, on a cold, windy, rainy day, getting out wood for the sugar house. All were wet and drowned rats, though busy as beavers, loading a fleet of sugar coolers which were doing duty as flat boats. As the Captain approached us we were agreeably surprised to find him in good spirits, though cold and chilly. He informed us that he was getting out his wood, at the rate of fifty cords a day, at least, and that he would have sufficient to take off the crop in two or three more days. We were, also, agreeably surprised to learn that the laborers took to the water like ducks without any special inducement, taking their dinners with them and remaining in the water all day. However, they were allowed an extra amount of whisky, and the Captain promised them extra pay.

APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE IN OUACHITA PARISH.—The telegraph has announced the nomination of Adolph Bouchard, by the President, as Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third District (office at Monroe) in place of Eugene Tisdale, removed. Also the nomination of James Hart as Assessor of Internal Revenue for the same District, in place of A. Norcross, removed.

Mr. Bouchard is not known to us. Mr. Hart, we think, is a Southern man, and a resident of Monroe, Ouachita parish, at present engaged in planting.

The *Republican* of Saturday last announced the appointment, *by Governor Warmoth*, of Mr. H. Diskgrave, of Monroe, as Clerk of the Supreme Court at Monroe. That Mr. Diskgrave has been appointed by Governor Warmoth is a mistake. The Governor has not in his gift the appointment of the clerks of the Supreme Court. The court appoints its own clerks. (Art. 75 Constitution.) Mr. Diskgrave is a kinsman of Chief Justice Ludeling.

Supreme Court Decisions.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

By Associate Justice W. W. Howe: No. 1423—Citizens' Bank, appellee, vs. R. H. Devey, appellant—Armand Pitot for appellee; D. C. Labatt for appellant. Appeal Third District Court New Orleans.

This is an appeal from an order of seizure and sale, signed January 4, 1866. As to the first point, the record showed that the certificate upon the copy of the act of mortgage has no date, while the mortgage itself is dated August 7, 1861. Upon the principle that a sworn officer is presumed to have done his duty until the contrary is proved, we must conclude that this copy was furnished, and certified made, before the act in reference to stamped instruments went into effect, that is previous to October 1, 1862 (N. S. Statutes at large, vol. 12, p. 475), and therefore required no stamp.

As to the second point, the military prohibition of the foreclosure of mortgage which is invoked by appellant, was removed by general orders No. 113, headquarters department of the gulf, series of 1864, the text of which may be found in full in the opinion of this court in the case of Graham vs Taylor, 18 An., p. 656, and of which we will take judicial notice. Lanfear vs Mestier, 18 An., 497. It is unnecessary, then, to consider what would have been the effect of order No. 15, if it had remained unrepealed.

We perceive no error in the judgment appealed from, and it is therefore ordered and adjudged that the same be affirmed with costs.

By Associate Justice J. G. Taliaferro: No. 1425—Wolf & Pretto vs. National Marine Fire Insurance Company of New Orleans. Appeal from the Fourth District Court of New Orleans. M. M. Cohen for appellees and Henry B. Kelly for defendant and appellant.

This suit is brought on a policy of insurance, that the proportional amount of the loss which the company is bound to them for is $3274 09. The defendant specially deny any indebtedness.

In this case the merchandise insured was shipped from Matamoras, Mexico, to New Orleans. The loss was estimated upon the value of the goods in New Orleans. We do not consider the invoice as legal evidence of the value of the goods. The judgment should have been one of non-suit.

It is, therefore, ordered that the judgment of the district court be annulled, avoided and reversed, and it is ordered that this suit be dismissed without prejudice, the plaintiff and appellees paying costs in both courts. Parson's on insurance, vol. 2, p. 72 and note 1 R. 442, 1 Martin 128.

Mr. Justice Howe having been engaged in this case took no part in this decision.

NEW REASON FOR EXCLUDING MENARD.—The Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Enquirer* writing on the 18th, says:

Congress was dull to-day. In the House, the credentials of Menard, the colored member from Louisiana, were presented and duly referred to the Committee on Elections. The election being contested, there does not appear to be much probability that he will get his seat, owing to the fact that the vacancy he assumes to fill was caused by death, and that the boundaries of the district were changed by the Louisiana Legislature before an election was ordered, thereby changing very materially the district in which the original vacancy existed.

THE WHISKY TAX.—No one here credits the statements, which appear to obtain some degree of confidence elsewhere, that an effort will be made to increase the tax on whisky to its old standard. Prominent Government officials hold that for the interests of the revenue, nothing could be more disastrous; and the common sense of Congress will certainly preserve it from committing the absurdity of altering it. The leading members of the Ways and Means Committee are satisfied with the present working of the law, and regard its continuance as the best thing possible for the Government.—*Washington Correspondence New York Times.*

Senator Sumner is mentioned as the probable successor to Seward, and also to Reverdy Johnson, in England, but Sumner himself declares he will not accept either position.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Reportorial Repertory.—The steam man makes his appearance to-day, from 9 A. M. to 10 P. M., at 34 St. Charles street.

The U. S. Court, Judge Durell, was principally engaged yesterday with the case of W. G. Mank, charged with embezzlement of money from letters in the post office. It was again continued.

Thomas Kennedy has been arrested, charged with stealing $200 from the trunk of D. H. Arthur, who chanced to occupy the same room with him.

A negro was arrested for making way with a $100 bill, which he was sent out to get change for a man who was indulging in the pleasures of a house of illfame.

The Marie Frederici Opera Troupe commence on the 31st inst. a series of six performances at the National Theatre.

Distribution of prizes, etc., to the pupils of the Locquet (Young Ladies') Institute this evening at 6 o'clock in the Odd Fellows' Hall.

The Superintendent of Police, Capt. Cain, has our thanks for making arrangements in his office of material conveniences to the reporters of the press, such, by the way, as we never could get other incumbents of the office to make.

An invitation from our young friend Alex. McNeil, we regret to state, reached us too late last evening for our compliance with his agreeable request.

Olympic Varieties.—Bob Hart, well known to the New Orleans public as one of the greatest Ethiopian comedians in the country, is nightly filling the Olympic with delighted audiences, assisted, as he is, by a number of popular artists in songs, dances, etc. The spectacular burlesque on the play of "Undine" by Fred Shaw, entitled 'Un-done', or the "Nymphs of Algiers", introducing Signorita Hart's ballet troupe, is having quite a run. Misses Garcia, Drew, Gray, St. Clair, Henrietta and others, some of them in songs and others in dances, are some of the superior attractions of the Olympic, where the patrons, during the performances, are served with wines and other refreshments by a corps of clever waiter girls. Those fond of such a variety will find ample entertainment at the Olympic.

Thursday, night (Christmas eve) there will be a grand ball in the dancing hall of the Olympic. There will be fine music, wines and refreshments as usual on such occasions.

Board of Aldermen.—Meeting last evening, President Markey in the chair.

A communication from the City Surveyor asked permission to take charge of and run the Bienville street Draining Machine, on account of the failure of the contract to comply with his contract. Referred.

The resolution of the Lower Board providing that from and after the first of January city officials are instructed to receive in payment of taxes and dues only United States currency, and that the money on hand in the City Treasury be destroyed, was taken up, and discussed at length.

Mr. Shields said he would never consent for another dollar of city money to be issued, and to show that the city designed no repudiation, he intended to offer a resolution permitting holders of city money, during sixty days, to exchange their notes at the Treasury for certificate of indebtedness, bearing 5 per cent interest.

Mr Prados moved an amendment that after the first of January one-half the taxes be paid in city money and the balance in greenbacks. Laid on the table by a vote of 4 to 3.

The resolution was then adopted finally.

Mr. Shields then offered his resolution above referred to.

Resolutions of the Lower Board, approving the adjudications of the leases of the various markets, already published. Messrs. Prados and O'Brien objected until it should have been fully ascertained that the parties offered good solvent security.

Some discussion ensued. It did not, however, seem to strike any of the members that if, under the former resolution passed, the city attempted to collect the rent from these farmers in greenbacks, the contracts would probably be annulled, as the parties made their bids in city money.)

The resolution was finally concurred in, with a proviso that the securities should be approved by the Finance Committee. It was then sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Resolution of Lower Board authorizing the Streets and Landing Committee to investigate the manner in which the various draining machines have been managed during the past year, and suggest improvements. Concurred in finally.

A resolution of the Lower Board, relative to the shelling of Felicity street, caused some discussion, it being contended that the security offered was that of another contractor. The resolution was finally concurred in.

A resolution was adopted that when the Board adjourns it be to meet on Saturday evening, for the purpose of taking action on the license ordinance. Adopted.

Mr. Shields offered a resolution providing for joint session of the Council, at 8 o'clock, next Tuesday night, to elect a fiscal agent of the city. Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Several resolutions of the Lower Board approving contracts for grading, shelling and otherwise improving streets, were concurred in.

Mr. Shields, from the Streets and Landings Committee, reported favorably on an ordinance allowing the Canal and Claiborne Railroad Company to build a trunk road on the edge of the neutral ground on Canal street, this road to be open for the use of any other company, provided they pay a fair share of the costs. The resolution was adopted finally, but Mr. Kaiser gave notice that next Tuesday he would move a reconsideration.

Resolution considering the resolution authorizing the Surveyor to have the wharves repaired, and providing for the sale of contracts for this work. Adopted finally.

Mr. Shields offered a resolution requiring the keepers of bridges on Canal Carondelet and the New Canal to open them at 6 A. M. and have them locked at 8 P. M. Adopted.

Resolution looking toward transforming the iron building at the foot of Canal street into one for the preservation of archives, were referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Shields, Person and Kaiser.

Resolution instructing the City Attorney to waive prescription in a suit brought by Mr. M. Miller for the recovery of $500. Concurred in finally.

After transacting some routine business, the Board adjourned.

Board of Assistant Aldermen.—Meeting last evening, Mr. Breen in the Chair, and Messrs. Aitkens, Camp, Rose, Walker, Pemberton, Montgomery, Starckes, Grandpre, Farrell and Wynne.

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The Treasurer's weekly report showed: Receipts, $5502 99; expenditures, $73,249 16; balance on hand, $429,400 97. Report referred to Finance Committee.

A petition from the Commissioners of the Water Works praying for the use of the iron building for an office was referred.

A communication from the Committee on the School Board, relative to the purchase of lots on Melpomene and Magnolia streets, was laid on the table.

A resolution from the Upper Board, forbidding the driving of vehicles on the wood-work of the wharves, was concurred in.

A resolution from the Finance Committee, fixing the rates of taxes on assessments of real estate and personal property for the year 1868, was adopted.

Adjudications of several contracts for grading and shelling streets, were approved.

A resolution was adopted, changing the name of St. Mary street to "Church" street.

A communication from the Sheriff, asking for an appropriation of $5000 for expenditures during the disturbances prior to the Presidential election, was referred.

A resolution from the Upper Board, authorizing deposits of city money with the City Treasurer for 60 days, by any one by whom the same may be held, and the taking of certificates of indebtedness for money thus deposited, said certificates to bear 5 per cent. interest, was adopted.

Considerable discussion occurred as to whether the resolution calling for the payment of taxes after the 1st of January in U. S. currency was really passed at the last meeting or not, Mr. Pandely contending that it was not, and upon reading of the minutes it was claimed that the Secretary had erred in substituting the word "section" for "resolution," and Mr. Fisher moved that the minutes be corrected.

Mr. Pandely stated that the minutes stood approved by the dispensation with the reading of them, and that any change would be illegal.

The Chair decided against Mr. Pandely and was sustained.

The reading of the minutes was now demanded, and they were read nearly through, when a motion prevailed to dispense with their further reading, the desired correction above alluded to having been made.

Several reports of no special interest were read.

A resolution to appropriate not over $200 to repair Jackson Fire Company No. 18's engine house, was adopted on second reading.

A petition of citizens opposing the application of Gleason and Ryan for permission to erect soap factories, together with resolution granting the privileges, was read and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Water Works reported favorably on an ordinance for preventing waste of water, by establishing penalties for violations of proposed regulations. Adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee, covering resolutions, was read with accompanying resolutions, as follows:

Providing for the destruction of all city notes now in the city treasury, in the presence of the City Treasurer, and at least two members of each of the Finance Committees, and that every member of the Council be notified in writing of the day and hour fixed for the burning. Adopted and sent to the upper Board.

Calling on the City Surveyor for an estimate of the cost in greenbacks for repairing the wharves. Adopted.

An ordinance providing for the transfer of all stock of the City of New Orleans in the New Orleans and Jackson Railroad to the Railroad Company, on condition that the Company extend their road to the river through Toledano street or Napoleon avenue, and down the levee to the depot of the Pontchartrain Railroad Company, at the foot of Girod street—the holders of any bonds of the Company purchased from the city to be secured by lien on the road—and said extension to be completed in one year, was read and referred.

The Board refused to concur in a resolution to sell a contract for repairing the wharves.

After some business of minor importance the Board adjourned.

Discharged.—Thomas Walsh, arrested as the alleged party who killed the colored man, Hans Bailey, the night of the 18th inst., in front of Walsh's grocery, on Franklin street, was examined yesterday before Recorder Gastinel and discharged, the evidence being conflicting and not conclusive as it was upon the investigation by the Coroner.

Assault on a Reporter.—An assault with a cowhide and revolver was made yesterday morning at the *Picayune* office upon the reporter for the city news column of that paper by a party, who considered himself aggrieved by the publication in the *Picayune* of a local item, which he felt applicable to himself, notwithstanding no names were mentioned. The assault was, of course, sharply resisted, and blows were given on either side, till other parties interfered and prevented any serious consequences. The newspaper article in question connected the assailant, by implication, with an actress. The affair, of course, created no little excitement, but we omit names as they can be of no special interest to the public.

Large Fire.—As we go to press, (2½ A. M.) a large fire has broken out in the Olympic Theatre, on St. Charles street, between Gravier street and Commercial Place, which threatens to destroy the whole block. The buildings there are of wood and we are informed water is scarce.

Commencement Exercises of the City High Schools.—There was a perfect jam in Lyceum Hall last night, on the occasion of the annual commencement exercises of the New Orleans City High Schools, and at the hour when our reporters were relieved from their duties at the City Council and endeavored to get in, they found the endeavor useless, and have to content themselves with the generally expressed opinion that the exercises were very interesting, and the original essays, etc., of the young *débutants* and of Mr. Mount particularly good.

The programme, as published, was as follows:

Song—"Come, Come With Me." English salutatory—Thomas Raymond. Original essay, Fashion—Lionel Adams. Song—"William Tell." Latin oration—Lucien F. Salomon. Original poem—Evan Morgan. "The Student's Song." Song—"Leaf by Leaf." Original declamation, French—John Castellanos. Original essay, Mirth—William Hale. Song—"Behold the Storm." Original declamation, Genius—Valentine Fontaine. Song—"Cinderella." Awarding of diplomas to graduates, by Wm. S. Mount, Esq., President of School Board. Song—"Grand Duchesse." Valedictory address—Wm. Renshaw. Song—"Faust."

Important Ruling as to Bankruptcy Charges.—Judge Durell has ruled in reference to the charges made by the general assignee in bankruptcy for this District, that a bankrupt is only required to deposit at the commencement of the suit the amount specified by law, and that after the expiration of the statutory limit he is entitled to a discharge, the assignee, marshal and clerks to realize their costs from the estate surrendered. Upon this ruling several parties had been unable to pay costs were granted their discharge.

The ruling is equally applicable to cases where parties desire to withdraw their applications and papers in bankruptcy for compromise, and have been unable to pay prospective fees or charges required by the assignee before permitting them to be withdrawn.

Charge of Arson.—An affidavit is made before Recorder Gastinel against Mary Baptiste, Ellen Johnson and Ellen May, all colored, charging them with having, on the 21st inst., with maliciously attempted to set fire to the house of Josephine Bernard, residing at No. 45 Basin street. The three accused, according to the statement of Officer Mullen and Mrs. Bernard, are three prostitutes, occupying the house of which the latter was mistress. It was owing to a spite against the landlady that the deed was attempted. The girl called Baptiste is stated to have been seen running away from the fire after it was kindled.

Overhauling the Suspected.—The following parties suspected of following no honest means for a livelyhood were arrested last night: Wm. Litt's, John Donovan, James Donovan, John Killeen, Henry Queen, G. Dowley, George Walker, George Howard, Milton Hardwicke and John Wilson. Charges will probably be preferred against them by the Superintendent of Police, upon which they will be arraigned before Recorder Becker.

Watch Stolen.—Prof. J. G. Simon had his watch picked from his pocket, a few evenings ago, by some one in a crowd who were watching the movements of a dwarf on Canal street.

The Perjury and Marriage Case.—St. Ange J. Bossier was arraigned before Recorder Becker yesterday on the affidavit of Mrs. V. C. Burke, charging that on or before November 23, Bossier did procure and get one J. E. Manuel to appear before George W. Sadler, First Justice of the Peace for the parish of Orleans, and make oath that Mary W. Burke, daughter of the affiant, was of legal age, whereas Mary was a minor. Mr. Bossier, for subornation of perjury, was held in the sum of one thousand dollars to appear before the Recorder on the twenty eighth instant.

First District Court.—John McGoven, convicted of having, on the 22d of November, on Perdido street, committed larceny, accompanied by an assault and battery, was sentenced to six months hard labor.

Albert Williams, colored, convicted of larceny from Jacob King on the 11th of December, was sentenced to one month parish prison.

Nelson Deslile and Jno. DeConge were convicted of mule stealing from F. G. Huguet, and were sentenced, the first to five years' hard labor, and the last to one year's hard labor in the penitentiary.

The case of Stephen Scott, charged with larceny, was *nol pros'd.*

Joe Carter, colored, convicted of assault and battery on the 28th Nov., upon Mary J. Burke, was sentenced to two days in parish prison.

Burglary.—A gentleman whose name we did not ascertain, had a one hundred dollar bill stolen from his pocket in his room, at the lodging house at the corner of St. Charles and Gravier streets, Monday night. He went to bed and locked the door, and in the morning the door was open and the money was gone. The man who stole it is known to the police, and the bill will undoubtedly be recovered.

Recorder Massicot's Court.—Colored John Roberts, alias Jones, a minister of the Gospel, was tried yesterday on the charge of stealing a lot of clothing and crockery ware from Lois Peters, was sent to the First District Court to await the verdict of a jury.

The case of Geo. Thompson, accused of horse stealing, was indefinitely postponed.

SAILING OF THE GENERAL MEADE.—The steamship General Meade, Captain Sampson, sails this morning at 8 o'clock for New York direct, with a full freight and the following named passengers:

F. Vintero, Mrs. Jameison and child, Miss Harriet Jameison, Louis G. Constant, H. F. Levi, William Leicester.

The Present Position and Probable Future of Parties.

[From the New York Sun.]

Though the Republicans obtained in the recent contest nearly three fourths of the Presidential Electors, the Democrats are in a minority of only about 270,000 in a popular vote of 6,000,000; *i. e.*, only four and a half per cent. This statement exhibits in a striking light the important fact that the disparity between the two parties is far less than would seem to be indicated by the number of Electors chosen by each.

Despite their overthrow in the late campaign, the Democracy remain a very powerful party. No political organization in our history has passed through such severe trials and been compelled to bear such odious burdens as has the Democratic party during the past fourteen years. Owing to the imperious dictation of its Southern leaders, it was forced to take the wrong side on the subject of the repeal of the Missouri compromise, as well as upon the irritating issues that arose out of that fatal measure.

The arrogance of the slaveholding oligarchy, which drove the party to assume the unpopular side of these questions, ultimately plunged the South in the rebellion. The affinity of the Northern wing of the party, previous to the war, with that portion of the South which subsequently struggled through four terrible years to destroy the Union, and the undisguised sympathy with the insurgents exhibited by many conspicuous Northern Democrats throughout the contest, kept the party in an ambiguous attitude during the whole period; while the cordial co-operation it has since extended to nearly every effort of the late rebels to return to the Union without the imposition of even the mildest penalties for the great crime of the rebellion, has, in the estimation of the Republicans and their allies, placed the entire party very nearly in the position occupied by the Southern Democracy during the last ten years.

Nevertheless, in spite of these adverse circumstances, and of the dead weight they carried in the revolutionary policy of their candidate for Vice President, the Democracy exhibited unexpected strength in the late contest, and now stand upon the edge of the battlefield in powerful numbers, and under a remarkable state of discipline.

This defiant attitude of the defeated Democracy will not be without its legitimate effect upon the victorious Republicans. They see their old foe standing ready to take advantage of all mistakes into which the incoming Administration and Congress may be led. They know that their first effort will be turned toward winning to their standard as many States as possible next fall, while their most desperate exertions will thereafter be put forth to secure a majority of the House of Representatives in the elections of 1870, both parties well knowing that no Administration has ever been able to bear up against a loss of the popular branch of Congress during its term, and that such loss has always been followed.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.—The report of the Secretary of the Treasury is printed. The funding of the public debt and the contraction of the paper circulation by the redemption of the United States notes is treated elaborately, though the Secretary opposes a forced resumption, or the naming of any time by legislation for resuming specie payments. The funding of the public debt as a step in that direction may be noted as follows: Up to December 1, $827,639,350 of seven-thirty notes have been funded into six per cent. five-twenty bonds. Of this amount there have been funded of the first series $295,565,700; second series, $330,189,300; third series, $197,875,450. This leaves outstanding of this class of securities but $2,363,150. The compound-interest notes—all of which became due between the 10th of June, 1867, and the 16th of October, 1868—have not all been redeemed, but have been exchanged for three per cent. certificates, leaving but a few millions outstanding.

The Secretary estimates the expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1870, to be $250,000,000, in round numbers, though the War Department, in the event of an Indian war, will call for several additional millions. Twenty-five millions required for bounties by this Department for the present fiscal year are not required for the next. The report will further show that between November, 1867, and November 1, 1868, the public debt, less cash in the treasury, has been reduced $35,625,02 82. These are the twelve months in which the comparison is made. If the November increase were added in this statement, of course the decrease would be seven or eight millions less. The receipts show that the internal revenue will be about $190,000,000 for the present fiscal year, and the estimates of revenue for the next fiscal year are about $80,000,000 less than last year, owing to the reduction of taxation. The report shows the interest on the public debt to be, in round numbers, $140,000,000 per annum, or $10,000,000 more than the estimate for this fiscal year.—*Washington Dispatch to the New York World.*

Gen. Scriver reports that the West Point Academy contains 224 cadets, but could as well accommodate 400 without additional cost. He therefore recommends an increase to that number. His estimate for repairs and improvements this year is sixty-five thousand dollars.

CUBA—DECLINE IN SLAVE PROPERTY.—The Havana *News* of the 25th ultimo states that twelve first-class field hands, who three months ago were worth $1200 each, were sold this week for $900 each.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

Discharged New Orleans Custom-house Employees to be Reinstated.

Gold Belonging to the Confederate Government Discovered.

Collector E. M. Bouligny Suspended

FROM EUROPE.

Further from the Insurrection in Cuba

Miscellaneous Matters.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Secretary of the Treasury has issued a circular to Collectors, allowing merchandise to be exported to Mexico by way of Indianola, Texas.

Rasloof, the Danish Minister of War, is here, it is stated, on business relative to the sale of St. Thomas.

Judge Underwood is here, preparing for the defense of his judicial conduct before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Secretary McCulloch has ordered the reinstatement of the recently discharged employés at the New Orleans Customhouse. This action is taken in consequence of complaints from merchants that the recent decrease of force involves delay and neglect of business.

Supervisor Cressy has suspended E. M. Bouligny, Collector of the Second Louisiana District, for alleged malfeasance in office.

Senator Sprague has purchased Cumberland Island, on the Georgia coast, near the mouth of St. Mary's River. It contains nine thousand acres.

The treasury agent at Mobile telegraphed Secretary McCulloch, reporting the discovery of $1,000,000 in gold belonging to the Confederate Government, which parties were endeavoring to get out of the country. McCulloch telegraphed the agent to take an escort and get possession of the property.

It is ascertained upon good authority that prior to adjournment for the holidays the Radical Senators agreed among themselves that no more nominations should be confirmed until after the 4th of March next.

Hon. Wilson Tift, of Georgia, has addressed a circular letter to all the Judicial officers of the State, calling for their opinions as to the present condition of affairs and as to the policy of the congressional proposition to reconstruct reconstruction.

Washington, Dec. 22.—There are a hundred large cotton cases pending before the Court of Claims, some involving $200,000, aggregating several millions.

The Treasury Department takes great interest in the matter.

Mr. Hale, of New York, has been regularly employed to defend these cases. Facts are carefully sifted, and the loyalty of claimants carefully scrutinized.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 21.—A material train on the Manassas Gap Railroad ran off the track to-day between Gainesville and Manassas Junction. Three or four killed and seven wounded, three mortally.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The bridge over the Mississippi river between Dubuque and Dunleith has been completed.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 22.—Money active, demand urgent. Market stringent. Call loans 7 per cent currency to gold, with 1-16 to ¼ per cent added for commissions. Sterling slightly weaker. Gold closed heavy at 135⅞ with little doing. Stocks generally heavy and unsettled. Governments steady, 5 20s, of 1862, 110⅛. N. C.'s new 62½. Tenn. 68¼. Cotton dull and a shade lower. Sales to-day 1500 bales. Middlings 24 to 25¼c. Flour dull and lower. State and Western superfine $5 90 to $6 25; common to fair extra Southern $7 to $7 25. Wheat very dull and nominally lower—amber Michigan $2 10. Corn heavy, 2 to 3c lower; new white Southern $1 to $1 10; yellow $1 to $1 03. Oats heavy and declining. Pork firmer and quiet, $27 50 to $27 75. Lard firmer; kettle 17⅜ to 17¾. Whisky quiet—Western $1 03 to $1 03. Groceries quiet and steady. Turpentine 45½ to 46c. Freights firmer—Cotton by steam ⅜ to ½c.

Louisville, Dec. 22.—Sales 86 hhds Tobacco; common new lugs to medium leaf 4 to 13¾c. Hogs 9⅝ to 9¾c, gross. Cotton 22¼ to 22¾c. Mess Pork $26. Lard 17⅜ to 18c. Bulk Meats—shoulders 11½c, clear rib sides 15c, clear sides 15¼c. Wheat $1 80 to $1 95. Corn 60c. Oats 56 to 57c. Superfine Flour $5 50 to $6. Whisky—raw, free, $1.

Louisville, Dec. 22.—River stationary with 6 feet in the canal. Weather cloudy and cold with light wind.

Cincinnati, Dec. 22.—Flour and Grain unchanged and dull. Cotton firm at 23¼c. Provisions dull; no demand. Butter and Cheese firm and unchanged. Whisky $1 00.

St. Louis, Dec. 22.—Nothing doing in Tobacco. Flour $5 50 to $6 25. Wheat, fall $1 92 to $2 10. Corn 63 to 64c. Oats 54 to 57c. Bulk shoulders 11c; clear sides 14¾ to 15c. Bacon—shoulders 13c; sides 16½ to 17¼c. Lard 17 to 18¼c. Whisky 95 to 96c.

Charleston, Dec. 22.—Cotton opened steady but closed weak; sales to-day 450 bales; middlings 24c; receipts 1563; exports coastwise 1676.

Savannah, Dec. 22.—Cotton opened with good inquiry; sales 800 bales; middlings 23¾c; receipts 3518.

Mobile, Dec. 22.—Cotton—demand light; market easier; sales 750 bales; middlings 23¼c.

FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

Southwest Pass, Dec. 22, 6 P. M.—Barometer 30.15. Wind northeast, light. Arrived, ship Ascensioner, Klepper, master, sixty days from Bremen, with forty five passengers and a general cargo, to Seiler & Co.; ship Arran, Lowson, master, forty seven days from London, in ballast, to J. A. Bryson. Sailed, steamship Agnes. On the bar, steamship Cortes.

RIVER NEWS.

Vicksburg, Dec. 22.—Passed up, Bon Johnson at 1 P. M. Passed down, Belle Lee at 7 P. M.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Constantinople, Dec. 21.—The Sultan to-day extended the time three weeks for the departure of the Greeks from Constantinople.

The Czar of Russia has authorized all Greek vessels carrying refugees to bear the Russian flag.

Hobart Pasha is blockading Syria with seven vessels.

The late Turkish minister at Athens has returned to Constantinople.

Havana, Dec. 22.—Col. Aguero Betencourt, and twelve other insurgent prisoners, with wounded Spanish officers and soldiers, arrived at Nuevitas. All the journals are silent on affairs in the insurrectionary districts, and many rumors of engagements are in circulation.

It is rumored that Col. Beraguent has been defeated near Holguin, but this report the *Diario* denies. The reports that the inhabitants of several towns on the Havana Railroad have joined the insurgents is not confirmed.

Madrid, Dec. 22.—All monarchical candidates of this city have been elected. The Republicans carried Seville and Barcelona.

It is stated on official authority that up to this time 6000 troops have been sent to reinforce Cuba and that more will soon follow. The Government announces its determination never to abandon a Spanish province.

Lisbon, Dec. 22.—A Cabinet crisis has occurred. Dastiva resigned and Count Cavalleros has accepted, provisionally, the Ministry of Finance, and the Marquis Bandeira that of Foreign Affairs.

Paris, Dec. 22.—Moustier, late Minister of Foreign Affairs, is seriously ill.

Madrid, Dec. 22.—The United States Envoy to purchase Cuba is daily expected.

Valletta, Dec. 22.—The eruption of Mount Etna is rapidly subsiding.

London, Dec. 22.—Dispatches from the East say that many Russians are volunteering in the Greek service.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 22—Evening.—Cotton closed quiet. Uplands 10⅞d. Orleans 10⅞d. Sales to-day 10,000 bales. Red Western Wheat advanced 9 to 11d.

London, Dec. 22—evening.—Consols 92⅛ to 92¼. 5-20's 74½.

Frankfort, Dec. 22—evening.—Bonds 78⅞.

[Previous Dispatches.]

Paris, Dec. 22.—It is reported that the Austrian Government has instructed Prince Metternich to act in concert with France in the Eastern question.

The *Press* represents the war feeling in Constantinople intense. The Russian flag was publicly burned.

London, Dec. 22—Noon.—Consols 92⅛. Bonds dull—74. Sugar firm.

Liverpool, Dec. 22—Noon.—Cotton quiet. Sales 10,000 bales. Other markets unchanged.

Liverpool, Dec. 22—Afternoon—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 10⅞d; middling Orleans 10d. Lard easier, 67s 6d. Pork firm, 97s. Bacon 54s. Common Rosin 5s 9d. Tallow 48s. Manchester advices less favorable. Corn dull. Flour steady.

Havre, Dec. 22.—Cotton opens quiet on the spot and afloat—122 afloat.

New York, Dec. 22—Noon.—Stocks very feverish with an upward tendency. Money active at 7 per cent.

Sterling 109½. Gold 135⅛. 5 20s of '62 110⅛. North Carolinas 65½; do new 62⅛.

Ex coupons 55½; do new 57; Tennessees, ex coupons 68⅝; do new 69.

New York, Dec. 22—Noon.—Flour 5 to 10c lower. Wheat dull and declining. Corn dull—1c lower.

Mess Pork firmer—$27 75 to $28. Lard firmer—steam 17 to 17⅜c. Cotton dull—middling Orleans 25¼c.

Turpentine steady—45½c. Rosin firm—strained $2 40 to $2 50. Freights firm.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, 1868.

We have no variation to report in the Money market proper. The street rates are 10 per cent per annum to 1 per cent per month for A1 notes with unquestionable collaterals and 1¼ to 1½ for second grade; 1 per cent per month for strictly first class business paper, without collaterals, and 1½ to 2 for good and second class. Mortgage paper rules at 10 to 12 per cent per annum for A1 and 12 to 15 for second grade. The banks discount most of the approved business paper offered by their customers, and are free lenders on call or for short periods on satisfactory collaterals. There is a moderate discount business doing at the banks, but very little outside.

Gold opened at 135⅜ to 135¾ (against 135⅛ at New York,) and closed at 135⅛ to 135¼. The sales include $8000, $10,000 and $15,000 at 135⅝, $5000, $7000, $15,000 and $20,000 at 135½, $3500, $4000, $5000 and $10,000 at 135⅜, $5000 and $12,000 at 135¼. In Silver $1000 in American half dollars changed hands at 132, and $3000 at 132½. We quote 132 to 132½ for American half dollars, and 136 to 138 for Mexican dollars.

There was only a moderate business in Foreign Exchange, the market closing lower owing to the decline in Gold at New York. The sales of Sterling included £1000 and £2000 bill of lading at 146⅛, £7000 A1 at 146⅛ to 146¼, £4000 A1 bill of lading at 146⅛, £1000 A1 clear at 147, $1200 private bankers' at 147¼ and £2000 bank at 147¼. In France 50,000 A1 commercial sold at 3.87¼, 40,000 at 3.86¼ and 150,000 private bankers' at 3.85. Sterling may now be quoted at 146 to 146½ for good to A1 bill of lading and clear and 147 to 147¼ for bank; and Francs 3.88¾ to 3.87½ for the former and 3.87¼ to 3.85 for the latter.

There was quite an active movement in Domestic Exchange, and with a large increase in the offerings rates were easier. The banks checked on New York at ⅛ to ¼ per cent discount, only one or two of them, however, asking the former at the close, and the sales included $30,000, $40,000 and $40,000 New York commercial sight at 9 16, $40,000 and $50,000 bank, from one bank to another, at the same, $10,000, $10,000, $25,000, $100,000 and $140,000 at ⅛, $50,000 sight on Boston at ⅛, $10,000, $20,000 and $20,000 ten days' sight on New York at ⅛, $7000 same at 1, $30,000 and $35,000 at 1⅛, $10,000 sight on Philadelphia at ⅛, and $10,000 at 1.

The sale of Stocks included 870 shares Opelousas railroad at $1 75, 675 shares Jackson railroad at $7, and 50 shares Crescent City Bank at $24 75. Nothing reported in bonds.

The sales at last night's Board embraced $5000 gold at 135⅛, $1600 and $1500 at 35⅛, $1000 and $1000 city ten per cent. bonds at 73½, $1000 at 73⅝, $1500 and $750 city notes at 40⅛ per cent. discount.

City Treasury notes were quiet and unchanged. The only sale reported is $2000 at 39⅛ per cent. discount. The dealers bought the small sums offered across their counters at 41 per cent. discount, and supplied the current demand from tax payers at 39.

State notes were weaker towards the close. A sale of $10,000 is reported at 65 per dollar.

COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE BEE, TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, 1868.

COTTON.—The sales to-day embraced 4500 bales at easier prices, showing a falling off of ⅛c in most cases, and ¼c in some. We now quote ordinary at 21¼ to 21½c, good ordinary at 22⅛ to 22½c, low middling at 23 to 23c, middling at — to 23¾c, and strict middling at — to 24c.

The market opened with a good demand at previous rates, and a moderate business was done at prices showing no falling of, but after the receipt of the 1.20 P. M. telegram from Liverpool, quoting 10⅝ to 10⅞d for middling uplands, Orleans buyers hung back, and although factors evinced a willingness to make some concessions, the movement for the rest of the day exhibited very little spirit, and the sales were confined to the moderate amount noted above. The bulk of the business was for the North. The quotations we have given above are in accordance with the closing rate. In the morning it was difficult to find low middling under 23c.

The sales for the three days sum up 20,050 bales, and the receipts 19,581, embracing 19,104 proper and 479 from Mobile and Galveston, against 17,742 proper during the corresponding period last week, and 17,217 in 1867, the last showing an increase of 1889 bales. The exports comprise 23,947 bales, embracing 8713 to Liverpool, 8452 to Havre, 200 to Marseilles, 708 to Barcelona, 2000 to Boston, and 3874 to New York.

COTTON STATEMENT.

Stock on hand September 1st, 1868, bales		[illegible],044
Arrived since last statement	5,2[illegible]	
Arrived previously	398,65[illegible]	403,8[illegible]
		406,9[illegible]
Cleared to-day	7,241	
Cleared previously	272,751	279,992
Stock on hand and on shipboard		126,944

To-day's exports embrace 3168 bales to Havre, 300 to Marseilles, 708 to Barcelona, 2000 to Boston, and 1165 to New York. The receipts include 4784 bales last evening after our statement.

FREIGHTS—The market is without change. Business to Liverpool is brisk, but to Havre it is very dull. To other foreign ports there is not much demand for room. The regular steamers for the North are getting good cargoes at full prices.

We quote, by steam: Cotton to Liverpool ⅝d; to Bremen and Hamburg 1⅛d; to New York 1⅛c; to Boston 1⅛c; to Philadelphia 1c per lb; Sugar to New York $7 to $8 per hhd. Molasses to do and Boston $3 per bbl; Flour to do 90c, to Philadelphia 80c per bbl; Corn to New York and Boston 22 to 25c per bushel, Pork and Beef to New York $2 per bbl. By sail: Cotton to Liverpool 9-16 to 19 32d, to Havre 1 3 16 to 1¼c, to Bremen 1 3-16c, to Boston 1⅛c per lb; Sugar to Boston $6 per hhd; Molasses $2 25 per bbl; Corn to do 17c, do to Liverpool 12 to 13d per bushel.

TOBACCO—During the past week the market has been extremely dull. 2 hhds at 14c; 1 at 15c, and 1 at 11¾c per lb, taken by the city manufacturers, are the only sales to note. The supply on sale is now very light, embracing about 500 hhds, nearly all of which are the best Tobacco. Two or three small lots of the new crop have come in, but it will probably be two months before it begins to arrive freely. We quote nominally as follows:

	Light.	Heavy.
Refused	6 @ 7	7 @ 8
Common Leaf	8 @ 9	9 @ 10
Medium	9½ @ 10½	10 @ 11½
Good	11 @ 12	12 @ 13
Fine	13 @ 14	14 @ 15
Choice selections	15 @ 16	16 @ 17
Wrappers	18 @ 19	

SUGAR AND MOLASSES—The receipts this morning comprised 110 hhds Sugar and 3300 bbls Molasses. The demand was active to-day and prices were decidedly fuller, though without any quotable advance. All the supplies were sold at 7⅜ to 8¼c per lb for inferior Sugar, 9 to 9¾c for common, 9⅞ to 11c for fair, 11⅛ to 11¾c for fully fair, 12 to 12¼c for prime, 12½ to 12¾c for choice, 9⅞ to 11¾c for seconds, 13 to 13¼c for yellow clarified, and 14 to 14¼c for white; 40 to 47½c per gallon for inferior Molasses, 43½ to 53c for centrifugal, 50 to 5[illegible]c for common, 58 to 60c for prime, and 63 to 65c for choice.

ARRIVALS FROM THE WEST—There have not been any arrivals since our review of yesterday.

FLOUR—The low stage of water in the West, and the high rates of freight thence, have stiffened the market here. Holders are now very stringent in their views, and although prices have advanced fully 25c per bbl, they are ruling with a further upward tendency, and sellers are asking much higher rates—say $7 37½ for superfine, $7 50 to $7 62½ for double extra, and $8 to — for treble extra. Last evening, not reported, 213 bbls double extra sold at $7 35, and 500 choice extra on private terms. To-day there were sales of 1200 bbls, of which 50, 75 and 85 bbls fine at $6 25, 25 superfine at $7 25, 100 double extra at $7 50, 50 treble extra at $7 87½, 140 do at $8 25, 50 treble extra at $8 50, 150 at $9 50, 75 fine at $6 20, 50 and 160 double extra at $7 50, and 100 choice extra at $10 50 per bbl. The market is about bare of superfine, while double extra is rather scarce.

CORN—The market is quiet but firm, with a very light supply on hand. Sales to-day 1810 sacks, of which 160 inferior at 79c, 300 and 1000 white at 79c, 100 and 150 at 80c, and 100 Louisiana at 80c per bushel.

OATS—The market is quiet but firm, and the supply on the landing is now light. 140 sacks Ohio river sold at 60c; 100, 381 and 80 St. Louis at 64c per bushel. They are jobbing at 65c.

BRAN—Is dull and unchanged; 50 and 135 sacks sold at $1 40 per 100 lbs.

HAY—400 bales Eastern sold at $26, and 50 fair Western at $25 per ton. Fair Western is quoted at $24 to $25, ordinary $21 to $22 per ton.

PORK—Yesterday we noticed that the market had lost its previous activity. To-day prices are not as firm as they were. A lot of 100 bbls and one of 350 bbls mess sold at $28 50 per bbl. The stock is held mostly at $29 per bbl. It is retailing at $29 50.

BREAKFAST BACON—25 boxes sold at 18c per lb.

BACON—Is scarce—5 casks shoulders sold at 13⅝c. A few casks clear sides at 19⅛ to 19¼c, and 5 do clear rib sides at 18⅝c per lb. Sugar-cured hams are retailing at 15 to 16c per lb.

LARD—Is scarce. It is in request, and prices are very firm; 50 tierces sold to arrive on private terms, and 59 kegs on the spot at 19c per lb. Prime in tierces is quoted at 18¾ to 19c; kegs 19 to 19½c per lb. There were some job sales of tierces at 19c.

DRY SALTED MEAT—There is very little here. Shoulders are retailing at 12½c per lb. A lot of 6 casks sold at 12c.

MALT AND HOPS—Malt is in heavy supply and limited demand. Choice Western is quoted at $2 50 to $2 75, and Canada $2 75 to $2 85 per bushel. Hops are very dull, now being quoted at 20 to 25c per lb.

WOOL—The stock is very light. Rates are steady at the following figures, viz: Washed 30 to 35c per lb, burry 12 to 15c, Mexican 15 to 20c, Louisiana 18 to 24c, Texas ¾ to ⅞ merino 22 to 25c, do first class 20 to 23c per lb.

CORN MEAL—The market is very dull. Round lots of choice kiln-dried are offered at $4 per bbl.

BUTTER—Choice grades are in fair demand and moderate supply. We quote choice Western at 36 to 40c, inferior to fair 30 to 33c per lb. Northern 40c for choice Goshen, and 40 to 42c for good.

CHEESE—The demand is fair and prices are firm. We quote Western Reserve and factory 18 to 19c per lb, English dairy 19c, inferior to fair Western 10 to 15c, fancy factory 22 to 23c, Northern at 19 to 21c for cream and English dairy, and 10 to 12c for skim. 100 boxes Western sold to-day at 18½c per lb.

RYE—100 sacks (not previously reported) sold at $1 65 per bushel.

RICE—Louisiana Rice is still in good demand and heavy supply. Rates are stiff at 8 to 8½c for choice, 7½ to 7¾c for prime, and 6 to 6¾c for ordinary.

NAVAL STORES—We have to note a better demand for Rosin, some 1300 bbls having been sold at $2 50 per bbl for No. 2, and $2 50 for No. 1. Forty gallon bbls of Tar are in moderate request; 100 sold at $4 50 each. Small packages are dull and nominal. Pitch nominal at $3 75 per bbl. Spirits Turpentine quiet but firm; 100 bbls sold at 47½c per gallon for small; 50c is the rate.

WHISKY—Western rectified is in fair demand and moderate supply; 50 bbls sold at $1 17½ per gallon.

ESCULENTS—Choice Potatoes sell on the landing at $3 to $3 25 per bbl; choice Onions $6 50; choice Apples $7 50 to $8 50; Sour Krout $10 per bbl; Cabbages $22 to $26 per crate.

POULTRY AND EGGS—Chickens are selling on the landing at $5 per dozen; Geese $10; Turkeys $20 to $21 per dozen. Eggs 48 to 50c per dozen in boxes.

Cattle Market.

CITY OF JEFFERSON, December 22, 1868.

Arrived yesterday—255 Texas Beeves.
Sold: 508 Texas Beeves, 44 Calves and Yearlings, 98 Hogs, 631 Sheep and 8 Milch Cows.
Stock on sale—802 Texas Beeves, 455 Calves and Yearlings, 342 Hogs, 804 Sheep and 30 Milch Cows.

Texas Beeves, corn fed, 1st quality, ℔ lb net	35	@	45
" " 2d quality ℔ head	30	@	32
Texas Beeves, 1st quality, ℔ head	40	@	50
Texas Beeves, 2d quality, ℔ head	30	@	35
Texas Beeves, 3d quality, ℔ head	18	@	25
Hogs ℔ lb gross	9	@	10
Sheep, 1st quality ℔ head	—	@	5 00
Sheep, 2d " ℔ head	2 50	@	3 50
Sheep, 3d " ℔ head	—	@	15
Milch Cows, first quality ℔ head	00 00	@	100
Milch Cows, 2d quality, ℔ head	00 00	@	100
Yearlings, ℔ head	0 00	@	10
Calves, ℔ head	5	@	8
Texas Cows with Calves per head	—		
Goats ℔ head	1 50	@	4 50

MARINE NEWS.

Port of New Orleans, December 23, 1868.

CLEARED YESTERDAY

Steamship Gen Meade, Sampson, for New York, Wood, Low & Ludwigsen
Steamship Clinton, Beckett, for Galveston, C A Whitney & co
Ship Gettysburg, Edge, for Havre, Wm Creevy
Ship Artisan, Smith for Boston, G W Hynson & co
Bark Guayaquil, (Spanish) Rasell, for Barcelona, Puig Bros
Bark Leopard, Mathieson, for Marseilles, W R Suddendorf
Schr Charlotte, Pepper, for Pensacola, Master

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Steamship Bienville, Baker, from New York 12th inst, via Havana, to Harris & Bidwell—1st dist.
Ship Theo Harward, Strickland, 16 days from Philadelphia, to G A Fosdick—3d district, 20.
Bark Sea Eagle, Coste, 30 days from New York, to H E Woodhouse—Point
Bark Joshua Loring, Loring, 19 days from New York, to G A Fosdick & co—Point.
Bark Antoinette, (Spanish) Sala, to Puig Bros—Point.
Steamer Frances, Carrel, from Mobile.

ARRIVALS AT OLD BASIN.

Schr Lady Guy, from Blind River—36 cords wood.
Schr Flower, from Tangipaho, 500 bbls shells
Schr Dorado, from Tchefuncta—450 bbls sand.
Schr H McGuian, fm Tchefuncta—35 cords wood.
Schr Shamrock, fm Handsboro'—25,000 feet lumber.
Schr Surprise, fm Biloxi—900 bbls charcoal.

ARRIVALS AT NEW BASIN.

Schr City Belle, from Fish River—250 bbls rosin.
Barge Pearl Rivers, from Pearl River—40 cords wood 30,000 feet lumber.
Schr Bloom, fm Madisonville—70 cords wood.
Schr Annie from Pass Manchac—15 cords wood.
Schr Rosa, fm Bayou Lacombe—30 cords wood.
Schr R D Post, from Fish River—300 bbls rosin.
Schr Mary Frances, fm Handsboro'—[illegible] feet lumber.
Schr Henry Latour, from Handsboro'—20,000 feet lumber.
Schr C H Frasier, from Handsboro'—20,000 feet lumber.
Schr Mary Louise, from Pascagoula—35,000 feet lumber.
Schr San Francisco, fm Tchefuncta—25,000 feet lumber.
Schr Kate, from Blind River—21 cords wood.
Schr Vienna, from Biloxi—400 bbls charcoal.
Schr Maud, fm Tchefuncta—25,000 feet lumber.
Schr Arrine, from Blind River—40 cords wood and 3000 [illegible]
Schr Talma, from Pascagoula—40,000 feet lumber.

—STEAMBOATS—

Wild Wagoner, Richardson, from Natchez.
Annie Wagley, Barton, from Washington.
Paynewick, Clark, from Lockport.
Lafourche, Hebb, from Bayou Sara.
New Era, Slocum, from Donaldsonville.
J G Blackford, Pickett, from Washington.
Flicker, Dubois, from Thibodaux.
A G Brown, Roberts, from Forts.
Alec. Wood, from Lower Coast.
Lizzie Tate, Stinde from Red River.

BELOW COMING UP.

Steamship Cortes, Nelson, from New York 12th inst. to A Mouton.
Ship Ascensioner, Klepper, from Bremen Oct 4, to Theile, Seiler & co.
Bark Maria (Spanish) Rallo, from Marseilles Nov 16, to Avendano Bros.
Schr J H Whipple, 12 days from Branco Santiago, to Goldenbow & Kelly.

TOWBOAT REGISTER.

The towboat Sunflower, Brown, from the Passes—Went down—brought up ship Theo Harward and bark Sea Eagle.
The towboat Perry, Burdick, from the Passes—Towed 4 up and [illegible]—brought up barks Joshua Loring and Antoinette.

MEMORANDA.

British steamship Olinda, Capt Long, from Liverpool Dec 24, via Havana, for this port.

EXPORTS.

NEW YORK—Per steamship Gen Meade—1165 bales cotton 734 bbls molasses [illegible] bbls oil [illegible] hides 825 bags corn meal 11 bales wool.
GALVESTON—Per steamship Clinton—[illegible] bbls flour 100 bbls whisky [illegible] bbls sundries and sugar.
BARCELONA—Per bark Guayaquil—708 bales cotton 2 00 staves.
HAVRE—Per ship Gettysburg—3169 bales cotton 100 sks corn and 1290 staves.
MARSEILLES—Per brig Leopard—90 hhds tobacco 300 bales cotton 25,000 staves.
PENSACOLA—Per schr Charlotte—[illegible] bbls potatoes [illegible] sks corn [illegible]
BOSTON—Per ship Artisan—2000 bales cotton [illegible] bales moss 26 bbls [illegible] 430 hides 50 tons [illegible] meal 9000 staves 10 [illegible]

IMPORTS.

NEW YORK, VIA HAVANA—Per steamship Bienville—From New York: [illegible] 750 bxs sugar to order [illegible] Perkins, Sweetson & co [illegible]
PHILADELPHIA—Per ship Theo Harward—Ass'd mdse.
NEW YORK—Per bark Sea Eagle—Ass'd mdse.
MOBILE—Per steamer Frances—181 bales cotton to Lehman, Newgass & co—sundries to order.
NEW YORK—Per bark Loring—Assorted mdse.

RECEIPTS FROM THE INTERIOR.

WASHINGTON—Per steamer Annie Wagley—[illegible] bales cotton to Nelson, Lamphier & co—[illegible] Beraud & Gibert [illegible] C H Mouton & co [illegible] don—15 Warren, Crawford & co [illegible] Marx, Levy & co [illegible] & Autey—4 Nalle [illegible] —4 P Camus—4 to [illegible] Courret—1 B S Noel [illegible] molasses Payne [illegible] co—40 sks corn [illegible] bbls do Payne, Huntington & co [illegible] L Terrebonne—7 [illegible] stock 1 bbl bran [illegible] —31 head cattle [illegible] to order—Total [illegible]
LOCKPORT—[illegible] lasses to Dudley [illegible] sundries to order [illegible]
BAYOU SARA—[illegible] cotton Jurey & Morris [illegible] Heath [illegible] F J De Silva [illegible] —60 hhds sugar [illegible] do 30 hhds sugar [illegible] lasses G L Laughlin [illegible] Daniels & co—20 [illegible] 36 hhds sugar Stewart [illegible] lasses F Maspero & co [illegible] do 9 hhds sugar J [illegible] Ernest—31 do Jno [illegible] Colomb, Brooks & co [illegible] Karlapon—sundries to order [illegible] hhds sugar 564 bbls molasses.
DONALDSONVILLE—[illegible] hhds sugar 20 bbls molasses [illegible] hhds sugar A Brousseau [illegible] Thomas & Foley [illegible] 11 hhds sugar J E [illegible] —30 do 44 bbls molasses [illegible] bbls do 14 hhds sugar [illegible] & co—8 do Boyd & [illegible] & co—10 hhds sugar [illegible] Forstall & Son [illegible] J L Courret—20 hhds [illegible] Dymond & Lally [illegible] 10 do 100 bbls molasses [illegible] 175 do 15 hhds sugar [illegible] & co—1 do half bbl [illegible] Dr V Fortunaud [illegible] Martin—half bbl [illegible] Martin—190 empty bbls [illegible] —Total, 287 hhds sugar [illegible]
NATCHEZ—Per steamer Wild Wagoner—[illegible] cotton to Scott, Cage & co [illegible] Dentah & Weis [illegible] [illegible]
J E Villaveso—11 do H Tete—sundries to order—Total, 465 bales cotton 155 sks seed cotton 936 sks cotton seed 20 hhds sugar 37 bbls molasses.
WASHINGTON—Per steamer J G Blackford—61 bales cotton to Nelson, Lamphier & co—30 Bloch Bros—52 Beraud & Gibert—32 Payne, Huntington & co—14 Renshaw & Cammack—22 J L Courret—5 Drouet & Forstall—5 Barrett & Le Beuler—15 N C Gullett & co—4 to West & Wright—15 to Nalle & Cammack—1 to Richard Flower—2 F E Durand—5 J K Huey & co—10 Violett, Black & co—18 Marx, Levy & co—11 Campbell & Strong—30 C H Mouton & co—3 Clapp Bro & co—34 J B Vanhorn & co—4 J W Burbridge & co—3 L W Lyons & co—8 J C Denis—20 E F Golsan & co—7 Avendano Bros—2 A Tertrou & co—5 F J De Silva—3 J A Bonnafo—1 to Blanchin & Giraud—30 hhds sugar 91 bbls molasses to J I Adams & co—30 do 2 hhds sugar Marx, Levy & co—10 sks corn 40 hides 2 bbls pinders 2 do popcorn lot sundries J L Courret—do 2 bdl hides 23 hides 30 sks corn 30 sks cotton seed B Marx—12 sks corn Nalle & Cammack—3 do Bloch Bros—1 bbl molasses 2 do sugar lot sundries Ben Davis—25 sks corn J F Knox—9 hides C H Mouton & co—1 bale moss mats Maggie Will—40 sks corn Campbell & Strong—6 rolls leather L Bassett—2 sks cotton seed G A Foucher—2 do popcorn 1 bbl peas F Chervet—1 do sugar J T Moore & co—23 head cattle R Gulliean—35 do Eugene Richard—1 do Inban, Aynock & co—3 mules and 9 horses J N Lyle—sundries to order—Total, 430 bls cotton 32 hhds sugar 112 bbls molasses.
THIBODAUX—Per steamer Flicker—30 hhds sugar 66 bbls molasses H Tete—21 hhds sugar H F Given—10 do P J Pavey & co—10 do 20 bbls and 1 half bbl molasses Seale & Waterman—16 hhds sugar W Bogert—30 bbls molasses A Thibaut—sundries to order—Total, 86 hhds sugar 112 bbls molasses.
THE FORTS—Per steamer A G Brown—17 hhds sugar 87 bbls molasses Blanchin & Giraud—40 do to J A Fernandez—30 do L Generes—10 hhds sugar F Maspero & co—27 bbls molasses H Tete—15 do A Rocheraux & co—4 do 6 hhds sugar A Thompson—11 bbls rice 7 sks do A Scoola—sundries to order—Total, 79 hhds sugar 340 bbls molasses.
LOWER COAST—Per steamer Alec—36 hhds sugar to B Johnson—47 bbls molasses C Kohn—40 do A Stockdale—30 hhds sugar Milliken & Bringier—44 bbls molasses F Maspero & co—34 do 36 hhds sugar Blanchin & Giraud—14 do 50 bbls molasses to F B Ernest—20 hhds sugar H F Given—10 do to Grieff & Byrnes—1 bbl sugar half bbl syrup Jas Kettine—half do Jos David—half do Wilson Childs—half do C Cammack—60 bbls rice to A Scoola—21 do N Barrois—17 do 20 sks bran R Dupre—25 bbls rice to Lapene & Ferre—23 do Jos David—20 bbls oranges Schoenberger—sundries to order—130 hhds sugar 205 bbls molasses 4 half bbls molasses.
RED RIVER—Per steamer Lizzie Tate—300 bales cotton 1 do snake root Board of Underwriters.

OPELOUSAS RAILROAD.

Dec 22—10 hhds sugar 10 bbls molasses Price, Hine & Tupper—16 do 30 bbls sugar R Hare—30 bbls molasses J I Adams & co—35 do H Tete—6 hides lot sundries to DeBlanc & Boer—20 hides 22 bdls do 1 bale wo 1 1 bbl tallow J L Courret—31 hides 2 bdls do lot sundries to F Dufour—4 bdls hides Subervielle & Gautreaux—246 head stock and sundries to order—Total, 102 bbls molasses 30 hhds sugar.

St. Louis Church of New Orleans, Secretary's Office.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Pew-holders of the St Louis Church, to call at my office, No 21 St. Anthony Alley, before FRIDAY, 1st January, 1869, and settle for the amount of their Pews for the year 1869, at the same prices as the present year, 1868.

Said Pew-holders having the privilege of their Pews at former prices, and all Pews not retained and paid for on above specified date, shall be, according to custom, rented by the undersigned.

dec22 26 27 28 31 L. PRADOS, Secretary.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

THE copartnership heretofore existing under the name and style of PIKE, LAPEYRE & BROTHER, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, by the withdrawal of J. M. Lapeyre, who has disposed of all his rights and interests in the concern to his late partners Wm. S. Pike and Alex. Brother, they assuming all the liabilities of the same.

New Orleans, Dec 21st, 1868
WM. S. PIKE,
J. M. LAPEYRE,
ALEX. BROTHER.
dec23 3m

THE business of Pike, Lapeyre and Brother will continue to be conducted under the same name and style until the first day of January next, (1869) when Alfred Sheppers and Paul Blanc have an interest in our business, which will thereafter be conducted under the name and style of PIKE, BROTHER & CO.

New Orleans, Dec. 21st, 1868.
WM. S. PIKE,
ALEX. BROTHER,
ALFRED SHEPPERS,
PAUL BLANC.
dec23 3m

Democratic State Central Committee, New Orleans, La., Dec. 22, 1868.

THE members of the Democratic State Central Committee, appointed at large by the President of the late Convention, and those appointed by the parishes under the resolutions adopted by the State Convention, are requested to meet on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 23d inst., at 7 o'clock, at the rooms of the Parish Committee over the Gem Saloon, Royal street, for the purpose of organization.

THOMAS STEEL, Sec'y, pro tem.
dec23 1t

Office N. O., Opelousas and G. W. Railroad Company, New Orleans, Dec. 18th, 1868.

IN conformity with the 14th section of the Charter of this Company, a meeting of the Stockholders will be held at the office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 18th of January 1869, at 12 o'clock, M.

G. W. SQUIRES, Secretary.
dec23 30d

Office N. O., Opelousas and G. W. Railroad Company, New Orleans, Dec. 20th, 1868.

IN conformity with the 5th section of the Charter of the Company, an election by the Stockholders of Eighteen Directors, to serve for one year, from Monday the 1st of February, 1869, will be held at the office, No 60 Canal street, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th of January, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

G. W. SQUIRES, Secretary.
dec23 30d

Citizens' Bank of Louisiana, New Orleans, Dec. 21, 1868.

THIS Bank will be closed Fridays 25th inst., 1st and 8th January, 1869.
Offering days, Wednesdays, and Discount days, Thursdays, previous.

J. L. DELERY, Cashier.
dec22 t a w—3 w—t&w

FOR CHRISTMAS —AND— NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS, SUCH AS FINE ILLUSTRATED BOOKS, AND ALL KINDS OF FANCY STATIONERY.

Go to the Book Store of A. EYRICH, Successor to BLELOCK & CO., 130 Canal street.
dec20 1w

H. P. BUCKLEY, WATCHMAKER,
8......Camp Street......8
Dealer in fine WATCHES, JEWELRY and SILVER WARE, also, GUNS and PISTOLS. Manufactures and repairs every description of work in his line.
dec20—1m

Lost.

A BLACK AND TAN BULL TERRIER DOG, medium size, answers to the name of Jack, had a brown leather collar round his neck. A liberal reward will be paid at No. 274 Burgundy street, between Esplanade and Ursulines streets.
dec20-3t

Office of Atlantic Insurance Company of New Orleans, No. 38 Camp street, New Orleans, December 18th, 1868.

AN ELECTION for nineteen Directors of this Company, to serve for one year, from date of election, will be held at the office of the Company, on MONDAY 4th January 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

H. P. JANVIER, Vice-President.
dec20 tjan4

Postponement.

THE Grand Ball of the Sixth Ward Rough and Ready Club which was to have taken place on Saturday, December 19, has been postponed to SATURDAY, January 9th, 1869.

V. G. DE L'ISLE, Grand Marshal.
dec19 3t

Office of N. O. Gas Light Company, December 18, 1868.

AT a meeting of the Board of Directors of this Company, held this day, a dividend of "six dollars" per share was declared out of the earnings of the past six months, payable on and after Tuesday, January 5, 1869, to the stockholders or their legal representatives, at the office of the Company.

WM. S. BROWN, Treasurer.
dec19 1m

Copartnership.

MR. FRANK H. HOOKER becomes a partner in my house from December 1st, 1868. The firm will be under the name and style of J. A. LUM & CO.
J. A. LUM.

THE CARRIAGE BUSINESS will be continued at the old stand, No. 74 St. Charles street, where may be found a large stock of the latest styles of CARRIAGES suited to the market.
J. A. LUM.
FRANK H. HOOKER.
dec19 1y

For Rent.

A ONE-STORY FRAME HOUSE IN KERLEREC street, between Claiborne and Derbigny. Rent low. Possession will be given immediately. Apply at the corner of Esplanade and Derbigny streets, Third District.
de17 tf

Wanted.

A GOOD COOK, WASHER AND IRONER. References required. 20 PRYTANIA STREET.
dec9 tf

J. S. KNAPP, D. D. S.
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dec1 3m

TO ECONOMISE, ADVERTISE IN THE MONTGOMERY MAIL, Published at Montgomery, Ala.
Advertisers Save 50 per cent through its columns.
The MAIL has the Largest Daily and Weekly Circulation of any paper published in Alabama.
dec2 1m

Merchants' Bank, New Orleans, December 10, 1868.

THE annual election for five Directors of this institution to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, No. 48 Camp street, on MONDAY, January 11th, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
dec10 td

Office Mississippi Valley Navigation Company of the South and West.

THE undersigned respectfully invites all subscribers of the above Company to come forward and pay their TEN PER CENT on the Stock subscribed, and also informs the public that the Subscription Book of this Company is now open at the wholesale drug store of Maunsell & Bogel, No. 43 Magazine street. Office hours from 12 to 3 P. M.

JOHN PAUL BAKER, Agent.
dec10 3m

Office of the New Orleans Mutual Insurance Co., Corner Canal and Camp, New Orleans, December 7, 1868.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in conformity with article fifth of the Charter of this Company, the annual election for twelve Directors, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at this office, on MONDAY, 28th December, 1868, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

J. W. HINCKS, Secretary.
dec8 td

LONDON AND LANCASHIRE Fire Insurance Company, Capital $5,000,000 in Gold.
Policies issued on all descriptions of merchandise and property at current rates.
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R. G. MUSGROVE, General Agent, Office 64 Carondelet st., near Perdido.
dec6 1m

Premium Cooperage.

TO MERCHANTS AND PLANTERS.

THE undersigned calls the attention of Merchants and Planters to his large stock of Molasses Barrels and Half Barrels, Sugar Hogsheads, also has constantly on hand a large stock of Hogshead and Barrel Hoop-poles, which he is prepared to offer at moderate prices and free of delivery.

B. J. SERKERY, 31, 32 and 33 Front street, between Conti and Bienville, (Sugar Landing) Office No. 33.
nov 22 tf

J. H. ILSLEY, (EX-JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT)
Attorney and Counsellor at Law.
Office: 127 GRAVIER STREET, New Orleans, La.
nov22 1m

Office New Orleans and Carrollton Railroad Company, New Orleans, La., December 4th, 1868.

THE annual election for Directors of this Company will take place, according to law, on MONDAY, the 4th January, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M., at the office of the Company, No. 17 Baronne street.

P. McBRIDE, Secretary.
dec2 td

Office Jefferson and Lake Pontchartrain Railroad Company, New Orleans, La., December 2d, 1868.

THE annual election for Directors of this Company will take place, according to law, on MONDAY, the 4th January, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 12 ½ P. M., at the office of the Company, No. 17 Baronne street.

P. McBRIDE, Secretary.
dec2 td

Havana Cigars—Havana Cigars!

A NEW AND VERY LARGE STOCK OF IMPORTED CIGARS, of different sizes, and brands, such as: PARTAGAS, CABANAS, LA CORONA, H. UPMANN, WALTER SCOTT, PERFECTION, etc., etc. For sale at very moderate prices, by

JAYME MAGI, No. 72 Common street, between Magazine and Tchoupitoulas.
nov18 3m

Removal.

OFFICE of Commissioners of the BANK OF LOUISIANA, removed to 130 Gravier street.
dec12 1m Raw.

Plated Ware.

A GREAT variety of fine English and American PLATED GOODS such as Casters, Cake Baskets, Sugar Baskets, Tea Sets, Ice Pitchers, Cups and Goblets; also, an excellent quality of Plated Spoons and Forks, fine Table Cutlery, Pocket Knives, Scissors and Needles on hand.

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Corner Canal and Royal streets. Manufacturers and Importers of Silver and Plated Ware, Cutlery, Guns and Pistols.
oct13 3m

Mme. Sophie,
159......CANAL STREET......159
(BETWEEN CARONDELET AND BARONNE STREETS,)

BEGS to inform her lady friends that she is now opening her large stock of MILLINERY GOODS, selected by her during her late visit to Paris, comprising Dresses, Embroideries, Ladies' Under Garments, Trousseaux, Furs, etc. Her Dress-Making department is carried on as of old, and all orders will meet with prompt attention.
dec1 1m

AMUSEMENTS.

St. Charles Theatre.

Wednesday Evening, December 23, 1868, and Every Evening during the Week.

WHITMAN'S PARISIAN BALLET TROUPE IN Cinderella, or the Fairy and the Glass Slipper, introducing the Great TRANSFORMATION SCENE.

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OLD SANTA CLAUS will preside in person, and Give Away FIVE THOUSAND TOYS. A PRESENT TO EVERY CHILD.
dec23

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GREAT NOVELTY FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK. Monday, December 21st, and Every Night During the Week.

Will be produced the last Great Dramatic Sensation, entitled the LANCASHIRE LASS.

LANCASHIRE LASS Matinee on Saturday. dec20

JUDICIAL SALES.

Sheriff's Sale.

ON the 2d of January, 1869, will be sold, at Thibodaux, parish of Lafourche, right bank, a SUGAR PLANTATION, measuring thirty arpents front by forty in depth, together with a Sugar House, Steam Engine, Cane in winrow, steam Saw Mill, dwelling house and various buildings.

On the same day, will also be sold, at Thibodaux on the opposite side of the above plantation, (the whole can be made to form a single plantation) a tract of vacant land, measuring thirty-six arpents front by forty in depth.

For further particulars apply at No. 61 Carondelet street.
F. J. PAVY, Syndic.
dec6 td

Sheriff's Sale.

ON the 6th of January, 1869, will be sold, at the Court-house of Napoleonville, parish of Assumption, a small PLANTATION, measuring about two hundred and forty arpents, together with a Sugar House, Steam Engine, and various buildings.

Also, two portions of land.

For further particulars apply to F. J. PAVY, Syndic, No. 61 Carondelet street.
dec6 td

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dec19 1m

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Also, for sale, a small quantity of Black and Nut Coal suitable for Corn Mills, Cotton Pickeries, Cotton Presses, Foundries, &c., &c., &c., at low prices.

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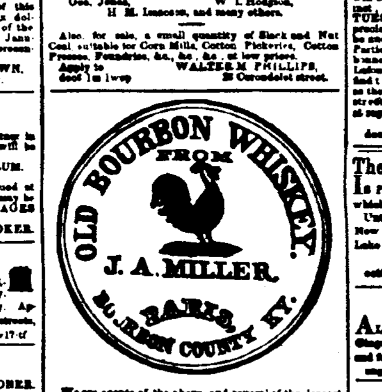

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nov4 3m

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nov28 3m

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IN order to comply with the general wishes of numerous friends, I have elegantly fixed up—in connection with my RESTAURANT down stairs—a few rooms on the second floor, for the use of Families and Private Parties. In opening these private rooms, I count on a continuance of the liberal patronage bestowed on my establishment by my friends.

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ALL KINDS OF FIRE ARMS REPAIRED.

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First Cabin, $140; Second Cabin, $85—including table wine for either class.
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Medical attendance free of charge.
Persons leaving for France may obtain their passage ticket here, in New Orleans, by applying to the undersigned, instead of writing or telegraphing to New York.
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Sailing from New York and New Orleans:
The steamship UNITED STATES, Geo. L. Norton, Commander, will leave her wharf, opposite Jefferson street, on Sunday, December 27, at 8 A. M.
The steamship GEN. MEADE, A. W. Sampson, Commander, will leave her wharf, foot of St. Louis street, on Wednesday, December 23d, at 8 A. M.
These Steamers have superior accommodations for passengers.
CABIN PASSAGE......$60 00
Through Bills Lading signed to Liverpool.
For Freight or Passage apply to WOOD, LOW & LUDWIGSEN, No. 120 Common street.
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GEO. WASHINGTON, CORTES, GEO. CROMWELL, MARIPOSA.
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The steamship CORTES, Horatio Nelson, Commander, will leave her wharf, foot of Toulouse street, on SUNDAY, December 27, at 8 A. M.
Freight for LIVERPOOL, BREMEN and HAVRE taken by this line, and through Bills of Lading given for the same.
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REGULAR LINE FROM NEW ORLEANS TO ST. NAZAIRE, Corresponding with all the Antilles and Pacific Ocean Ports.
Fare from New Orleans to St. Nazaire, one berth, 1st class and aft deck or 2d aft deck, $200 in gold.
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Children under three years old, free.
Children over three years and under eight, pay quarter price.
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Children over twelve years, pay full fare.
To every two children paying half price and to four children paying quarter price, there will be granted one berth.
In case there should be several children under three years in one family, only one will be allowed the privilege of free passage, the others will pay quarter price.
Servants attached to the passengers will pay the same as steerage passage.
Through tickets for the round trip are given with a discount of 25 per cent., provided the traveler makes his return [illegible]
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STEAMER PAYNEWICK.

THE Barataria and Lafourche Canal having been reopened from the Mississippi River to the Bayou Lafourche at Lockport, the steam propeller PAYNEWICK, which is now undergoing repairs for the trade will commence her regular trips on TUESDAY, the [illegible] and will leave New Orleans thereafter on TUESDAYS, at 3 P. M., and returning [illegible]
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The Pontchartrain Rail Road Co.

IS PREPARED to receive and deliver all freight which may offer.
Until further notice, the trains will start from the New Depot at 6, 9, 10, 12, 2, 4 and 6 P. M.; leaving the Lake end at the alternate hour, commencing at 5 A. M.
GEORGE PANDELY, Superintendent.
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ALL kinds of Paste, such as VERMICELLI, MACARONI, TAGLIARINI, LASAGNETTI, SPAGHETTI, etc., etc., constantly manufactured and for sale at the lowest market prices, by NORMAN & REISS, 121 and 123 Old Levee street.
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ELKIN & CO.,
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For sale at the lowest market price for Cash.
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