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NEW ORLEANS:
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Amusements This Evening.

FRENCH HOUSE—"La Dame Blanche."

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—The Galeto Groupe of Specialties.

CHARLESTON THEATRE—"Pearl of Savoy."

Auction Sales Monday.

Hoffman, Marks & Co., at No. 36 Chartres street, dry goods and furnishing goods.

CONFISCATED PROPERTY TO BE RESTORED.

As several cases are now pending before the Supreme Court of the United States involving the validity of titles to real estate, held by virtue of decrees rendered in Courts of the United States in prosecutions under the confiscation law of July 1862, we have thought it might be of interest to some of our readers as have been robbed of their property under that obnoxious act, to publish the opinion and decision of the Supreme Court rendered at the last term in a case involving the right of an heir of one, whose property had been seized and sold under that law, to recover the same after the death of his ancestor.

The case is that of Forrest against Bigelow. Forrest—the plaintiff—is a son of the late Capt. French Forrest, of the Confederate navy, who died on Nov. 24, 1866, and the defendant Bigelow, is a party claiming to own a certain piece of land in Lafayette which had been seized and sold on September 1, 1863, after condemnation in the United States Court as the property of Capt. Forrest. Forrest, the son, claims that it was only the life-interest of his father which had been confiscated and consequently that the property now belongs to him. He contends that the condemnation was a personal punishment which affected his father only and not him; in other words, that the proceeding under the confiscation law was a personal proceeding and did not entirely divest the title to the property, but only Capt. Forrest's interest during his life-time. The defendant Bigelow contended that he had purchased the title to the property, not only during Capt. Forrest's life, but for ever.

Mr. Justice Strong delivered the opinion of the Court, all the Judges concurring. We make the extract from it:

It is argued on the part of the plaintiff in error (Bigelow) that the decree of confiscation in the District Court of the United States is conclusive that the entire right, title, interest and estate of French Forrest was condemned and ordered to be sold, and that as his interest was a fee simple that entire fee was condemned and sold. Doubtless a decree of a court, having jurisdiction to make the decree, can be impeached collaterally only. But under Act of Congress, the District Court had no power to order a sale which should work a forfeiture of the owner's rights outside of the life of French Forrest. Had it done so it would have transcended its jurisdiction. And it attempted to such thing. The decree does not find that anything is due the cause in the District Court is entitled. United States against all persons in interest, French Forrest and all of French Forrest in and to all that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, absorbing the property all that is descriptive, not of entity of estate, but of the subject of seizure, and that was land. The proceeding was required by the Act of Congress to be one, and the decree condemned the estate of French Forrest, but, using its own words, the real property mentioned and described in said libel." The Marshal ordered to sell the said property, the estates of which were given in said to the decree. Had the purchasers looked at that decree, and known legal rights attributed to them they would perceived that it was a decree of confiscation of land, and they were bound to know its legal effect. It is, therefore, a fallacy to argue that the plaintiff in law is precluded collaterally the decree under which the Marshal's sale was made, or that the judgment of the court in this case impeaches it. The argument assumes that it cannot be asserted that the decree of the District Court decided a confiscation reaching beyond the life of French Forrest, for whose use the land was condemned and sold.

It having been contended by the defendant Bigelow that the plaintiff had also been an officer in the Confederate army in April, 1865, and was therefore one of persons the confiscation law was intended to reach, and was barred from recovering the suit by section 5 of the act, the court said on that point:

He land was not seized or condemned for any act of his, for he had no interest at when it was declared forfeited. He could not have been heard in opposition to decree of forfeiture. That proceeding was in rem, both between other parties. If, therefore, he is not at entitled to assert his claim, he is denied relief. His property without a judicial hearing, procedure in due course of law, and the practical effect of the bar of section to the purchaser at the Marshal's sale the enjoyment of the property after his right had expired, and to give to the purchaser a good real estate that he purchased. Such construction of the act of confiscation that works such results can be accepted. It is plainly against the true meaning of the act. We have already remarked that the act and the contemporaneous resolution must be construed together. The latter declares that the act shall not be construed to work a forfeiture of the real estate of the offender beyond his natural life. It can do this neither directly nor indirectly. The punishment denied upon him is not to descend to his children. His heritable blood is not corrupted.

We do not care to speculate upon the question presented by the forfeiture of deeds of which the offender was seized in fee during his life and no longer, without any corruption of his heritable blood; or of a conveyance from him in such case, executed upon his bier, notwithstanding the oath sworn at his death. Such speculations may be curious, but they are unpractical and they can give no aid in ascertaining the meaning of the statute."

The consequence of this decision is that Capt. Forrest's son recovers his father's property, and that all property similarly situated must be restored, whenever they ask for it, to the heirs of the party whose real estate had been sold under the confiscation law.

THE NEW ORLEANS WATER WORKS.—The manager of the Water Works from the old company seems to have proved a fruitful source of litigation. Already there have been a number of ways that and tricks that are vain, in connection with that same transfer, and the final impression among taxpayers is, that they have paid quite enough for the Water Works's whistle. *N. O. Times.*

It is rumored about town that a ring has been made up for the purchase of the Water Works, and that the above paragraph from our neighbor the *Times* carries an intimation—somewhat remote, it is true, of the reason to be assigned for the sale. The same reason, we suppose, that was given for the sale of the city's stock in the Jackson Railroad.

THE FRENCH BAZAAR.—We publish to-day on our French side a letter addressed to us by Felix Labuz, Esq., President of the Bazaar, in which he states that the ladies who have so kindly given their services during the past week to this benevolent enterprize, have consented to continue their attendance during the coming week.

The Bazaar will remain open until Saturday evening, December 24.

The Committee of Arrangements charged with the Memorial Ceremonies held in this city in October last in honor of Gen. Robert E. Lee, have published in pamphlet form the proceedings and addresses delivered by Messrs. Burwell, Seymour and Palmer on that occasion.

It can be had in the various book-stores in the city at the price of 50 cents.

We acknowledge receipt of an invitation from Mr. J. H. Carter, Superintendent of Public Schools, 4th division, to attend the commencement exercises of the High Schools of the city on Monday and Tuesday—December 19th and 20th.

If you desire rosy cheeks and a complexion fair, and free from Pimples, Patches and Eruptions, purify your blood and invigorate your system by taking Dr. Peirce's Alt. Ext. or Golden Medical Discovery. It has no equal for this purpose, nor as a remedy for "Liver Complaint," or Biliousness," and "Constipation of the Bowels." Sold by druggists. Pamphlet free. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. 2d wed fr sun—1 w s w

DEADLY NOT.—Convulsions, wind colic and dreading to the bowels of infants cause death. "Mrs. Whitcomb's Syrup is a tried remedy. It costs only 25 cents.

BACON SIDES AND SHOULDERS.—Messrs. John Deeves & Son, 74 Tchoupitoulas street, offer for sale, through our advertising columns, 125 casks of sides and shoulders.

Attention is called to the card published to-day in our advertising columns, of Messrs. C. F. Holle & Co., commission and forwarding merchants, and dealers in Western produce, wines and liquors, also agents for the celebrated Cincinnati lager beer, No. 81 Magazine street.

From Washington.

The Baltimore *Gazette's* correspondent writes:

Among the papers "communicated with the President's Message" to Congress is the correspondence having reference to the recognition of the French "Republic." It seems the whole thing was managed by a subordinate of the State Department and our Minister to France, with the single exception of a vague reference to an "order" of the President: "On the 6th of September" it is stated: "*Assistant Secretary Davis*" telegraphed to Washburne, at Paris, as follows:

"It appearing by your last dispatch that the new Government is fully installed, and that Paris remains tranquil, you will recognize it as soon as the situation, in *your judgment*, shall justify it, and tender the congratulations of the President *and people of the United States* on the successful establishment of a Republican Government."

On the 7th of September Davis further telegraphed:

"Bertheau asks, under instructions from Favre, whether the public sentiment in America has changed since the change of government in France, adding, on his part, that until now the public press in this country has expressed strong sympathy with Germany. I replied: The Government maintains a strict neutrality, and will continue so to do; that he can not wonder if the people have little sympathy for a dynasty which countenanced giving aid to the rebels during our war and tried to establish a monarchy on our Southern borders; that, in my judgment, the feeling to which he alluded was not against France or the French people, of which he has in every instance to judge as I."

This "Assistant Secretary" was, it will be seen, the personal pronoun "I" as if he owned both hemispheres. Where was Mr. Fish during the transmission of those important dispatches? Suppose the *French people*, as the lesser of evils, should have proper to restore the "*dynasty*" so vigorously called to account by this "Assistant Secretary?" would he attempt to shuffle the responsibility from his own to the shoulders of Mr. *Davis?* And there is at this moment every probability that the present European struggle will end in the restoration of Napoleon, with the consent not only of Prussia, but of Russia. The United States had no more to do deputinated with this European difficulty than the Mikado of Japan, but ever and anon our blundering Government has poked its "innocent nose" into every intrigue corner. If we escape with only the ridicule of the world, we shall be lucky.

Louisiana Intelligence.

CARROLL PARISH.—The Elton *Eagle* of the 10th inst. says:

We have had a week of remarkably genial and pleasant weather. We regret to say there is not that attention paid to the main business, (cotton picking,) that should be. True the holding of the court has unsettled matters, but still it seems that by many, this has been used as a pretext. On many places where the fields are ready for picking, hands are doing nothing. The bad weather last week gave many an opportunity of ginning, which will help all round.

The Parcel cont got a very good shipment from this point.

Money is still very scarce in our community, but there are hopes it will be picked out, shipped promptly, and sold at present prices even, we could be all right. We would call upon planters to hurry up shipments, and sell their crops as fast as shipped. The merchants of New Orleans are showing now a very heavy burden, stowing out a yellow fever, loss prayers and delayed shipments, but it is the duty of the country communities, since they are furnishing the supplies, and made it mainly light to keep up credit and confidence, to aid them every way possible. Let no one suffer from holding back cotton, and great injury will follow. There is no prospect of cotton being any higher than fifteen cents any time this winter, and it may be lower. All manner of supplies rule at low figures. Sell your cotton, buy your supplies, and try and do better next season.

OUACHITA PARISH.—The *Telegraph*, of 10th inst., says:

The weather for the past week has been all the planter could desire. Though unusually mild for the season, there has been but little moisture to interfere with picking. Planters are improving the opportunity, and every available hand is employed in harvesting the cotton.

EAST FELICIANA.—The *Patriot* of Clinton, of December 10th, says:

Another shaft has been sunk at the Calcasieu Mines, at a distance of 150 feet from the former shaft, and has struck at a depth of 60 feet the same vein of Sulphur which proves to be solid and pure, and 3:50 feet in thickness. It is supposed this Sulphur underlies the surface of the whole region. Another body of heavy lead ore has been struck at the three S's which go to make riches.

Amendment of Naturalizatiln Laws.

Senator Kellogg, of Louisiana, has introduced in the United States Senate the following bill:

To amend an act entitled "An act to amend the naturalization laws and to punish crimes against the same, and for other purposes," approved July fourteen, eighteen hundred and seventy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled: That the fifth section of an act entitled "An act to amend the naturalization laws and to punish crimes against the same, and for other purposes," approved July fourteen, eighteen hundred and seventy, be amended so that said section will read as follows, to-wit: That in each congressional district it shall be the duty of the judges of the circuit court of the United States for the circuit wherein said district shall be, upon the application of two citizens, to appoint in writing for each district or voting precinct in said congressional district, and to change or renew said appointment, as occasion may require, from time to time, two citizens resident of the district or precinct, one from each political party, who, when so designated, shall be, and are hereby, authorized to attend at all times and places fixed for the registration of voters, who, being registered, would be entitled to vote for representatives in Congress, and at all times and places for holding elections for representatives in Congress, and for counting the votes cast at said election, and to challenge any name proposed to be registered, and any vote proposed to be received, and witness throughout the counting of all votes, and to remain where the ballot boxes are kept at all times after the polls are open until the votes are finally counted, and said persons, or either of them, shall have the right to affix their signature or his signature to said register for purposes of identification, and to attach thereto, or to the certificate of the number of votes cast, any statement touching the truth or fairness thereof which they or he may ask to attach; and any one who shall prevent any person so designated from doing any of the acts authorized as aforesaid, or who shall hinder or molest any such person in doing any of the said acts, or shall, after due notice prevent, hindering, or molesting any such acts shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by imprisonment not less than one year.

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Eighth District Court.—John Kirwin vs. City of New Orleans.—In this case the judgment is for $1795 for repairs done by plaintiff to the engine-house No. 13.

Jacob Stoltenberg vs. Southern Bank.—In this case plaintiff obtained a judgment against the defendants, commanding them to balance the bank-book of the plaintiff, and to omit from the balance the check known as the "Wickliffe check," for about $1969. From this judgment defendants applied for an appeal, which Judge Emerson, then presiding, refused. A mandamus to the Supreme Court was applied for and granted. The appeal was to-day allowed by Judge Dibble, under a mandamus from the Supreme Court.

Burglary on Jackson Street.—The residence of H. F. Vennard, one of our ex-Recorders, was broken into last night by burglars. Sixteen dollars ($16) was taken and the thief escaped with it.

Another Algiers Burglary.—Mrs. Polette, living on Delaronde, near Valette streets, Algiers, was amused by burglars Thursday night and commenced target practice on them by the exhaust of two shots. The Coroner has not yet been summoned.

First District Court.—John Marshall and Pat Coyle were charged with stealing, on the 8th of November, about $25 from Jno. Farrell. Coyle plead guilty and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. In the case of Marshall a nolle prosequi was entered.

Gustave Renaud, convicted of an assault, on the 8th of June, on Louise Felix, was sentenced to $5 or twenty-four hours Parish Prison.

Michael Galden, convicted of assault and battery, but recommended to the mercy of the court, was fined $5.

Wm. Smith, convicted of stealing, on the 26th of October, a bottle of brandy and a bottle of whisky from John Reese, was sentenced to six months in Parish Prison.

Peter Fenner, Jr., was found guilty of assault, and recommended to the mercy of the court.

Mike Lotzen, charged with larceny, was acquitted.

Felix Barengo and James Ongitade were charged with larceny. The former was convicted, and Ongitade discharged on a nolle prosequi.

Remanded.—In Recorder Leeleer's Court we have the following renderings:

F. W. Ibenholz, charged with assault and battery, by Mike Sexton, on Thursday, Dec. 8, was sent before the First District Court, and released on $200 bonds, Dr. Bell, No. 121 Elysian Fields street, signing his bonds.

John Wilson and Frank Taylor were charged by Wm. Matson with larceny. It seems that Matson had been on a spree with the accused, on the night of Dec. 7, visited a gambling house and won about $41 50, and that previous, $41; he went to sleep with the accused in the same room at Mrs. Newman's boarding-house, on Victory street. When he awoke in the morning his money and the accused had disappeared. When they were arrested $21 85 were found on Taylor, who had no money the evening before. They were sent before the Criminal Court, and, in default of $500 bonds, sent to the Parish Prison.

Chas. Ford and Thos. Lewis, charged with being dangerous and suspicious characters, and also with having stolen property in their possession—Ford four knives and Lewis nine—were arrested by officer J. W. McIntyre, and remanded to the Parish Prison.

The Michael Clifford Homicide.—François Johnson Special Patrolman of the Third Precinct, who, on the 5th inst., accidentally shot and mortally wounded the boy Michael Clifford, at No. 7 Peace street, was this morning released by Recorder Leeleer, after a full investigation of the case. The mother of the child testified that the accused had been very kind to her and her three children, and for months a few hours before the wife of the officer had given dinner to three children, the unfortunate boy included, and had shook hands with the officer, who deeply felt the misery brought on by an unfortunate accident. Dr. Jackson, the Coroner, and other witnesses of the Coroner's inquest appeared, and the Recorder gave the following decision:

"According to the evidence adduced, the court is satisfied that this is an accidental homicide, and the prisoner is hereby honorably discharged.

F. V. LEELERC, Recorder Third District."

After being discharged, Johnson went with the mother of the deceased boy, and conversed with her about ten minutes, expressing his willingness to give her all the assistance in his power in all law-ful manner.

Another One.—Our fellow-citizen of Jefferson seem to have been of late visited with a deluge of burglaries. Among the effects of the police, Mr. Sorcy, on Louisiana Avenue, between Claiborne and Prytania, was the last victim attacked, fortunately without bad results.

Cut Her Arm.—Mrs. Mary Scott, a lady living in the Second and Third Districts, accidentally hurt by falling against a glass door, was sent to the Charity Hospital by Capt. Edgworth.

Sick.—Sergeant Malone, Chief of the Detectives, an officer of twenty years of honorable and active service in the Second and Third Districts, is now lying sick with intermittent fever.

FREE ALABAMA.

"The Scallawags Gone Up"—The Mobile Victory.

[From the Mobile Tribune]

By reference to another column it will be seen that ex-Governor Smith withdraws his bogus and groundless injunction against counting the vote of the people of the State against him and his party, and in favor of Gov. Lindsay; and that Alabama is again free. Free from Radical misrule, free from Radical misrule, Radical pillage and Radical plunder. Yes, Alabama, which was unrepentantly incorporated in an omnibus bill, passed by a Radical Congress, and portentiously pressed "into the Union" against the wishes of her true and legitimate population. We have cleaned them out, "horse, foot and dragoons," and with us it is a day and a time for a general rejoicing of the whole people. And Guv. Lindsay could no more appropriately write nor sign his first untrammeled official State act, nor Mayor Horat his first municipal, than to set apart a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God for his deliverance from the vampires and thieves who have so long fastened upon their vitals and held carnivals of villany at the cost of the people.

[From the Mobile Register.]

It is long since Mobile has enjoyed a good, hearty and general laugh. What with cotton bureaux, freedmen's bureaux, bureaux for everything, conventions, legislators, state and municipal, manufactured for them at Washington, carpet-baggers, scallawags, Loyal Leaguers and other kindred plagues and pestilences, it is long, we say, since we have had a good laugh. Thank goodness, we have had it at last. Every man has a broad smile abreviated and lighted up every and any time he met his friends and their hats had shunk off their brows or it chewed the light of day. It was positively infectious; and a grave man who committed the votes are finally behavior on the public highways, but absolutely to bite his under-lip to keep from breaking out in a broad grin or an indecorous guffaw. The passenger on the sidewalk hadn't to walk far to find out what had so tickled the people. We got as far before we had walked a square from home. "Halloo, Tom, the scallawags have gone up!" and then such a cachination as never was heard before, echoed and re-echoed in such person in doing any of the said acts, or shall aid or abet in preventing, hindering, or molesting any such acts shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by imprisonment not less than one year.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

THE FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR.

Fighting Near Blois.

Prussians Repulsed by Chanzy's Army.

Large French Force Said to be Investing Versailles.

French Ports to be Blockaded.

Loss of a New Orleans Bound Vessel.

HOME NEWS.

The Haytien Minister Displeased With the Message.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Congressional Proceedings.

Miscellaneous.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Lille, Dec. 16—Evening.—It is rumored the Paris sortie was successful, which accounts for the rapid withdrawal of the German forces from this region.

It is said the French came out in immence force and have completely invested Versailles. Fighting is now going on on the direction of Albert and Abbeville.

London, Dec. 16.—It is said the delay of the French Government in acceding to the London conference is wholly due to difficulty communication between Bordeaux and Paris.

The Prussian Government charges the French Consuls at Luxemburg with the enlistment of fugitives from the French army.

London, Dec. 16.—The *Examiner*, of yesterday, has an editorial on the late successful sortie from Paris, which it considers a most important disaster.

The steamship Diamond brought here a man named Robinson from Spiez Helena, who was found nearly dead from wounds inflicted by five pirates, who had taken all his land, and left him and his wife in the woods.

New York, Dec. 17.—Arrived—Steamers Virginia, Rissen, and Tripoli. Arrived out—Austria and Australian.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 17.—Primrose, who pleaded guilty to embezzling $85,000, from the Grand Trunk Railroad, has been sentenced to 3 years in the State Prison.

Division Superintendent Martin, who received $97,000 of the money, fled to Canada.

The Salt Inspector reports 620,970 bushels, an increased over last year of 200,000 bushels.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 17—Evening.—Gold not very active; opened at 110¾, and reached 110¾.

6's, 113; 62's, 107¾; 64's, 107¾; 65's, 107¾; new, 106¾; 67's, 106¾; 68's, 110¾; 10-40's, 106¾.

Tennessee's, 61's; new, 61; Virginia's, 64's; new, 63; Louisiana 6's, 70; new, 64; Levee 6's, 71; 8's, 85; Alabama 5's, 105; 8's, 70; Georgia 6's, 80½; 7's, 91½; South Carolina's, 44; new 58; South Carolina's, 85; new, 67.

New York, Dec. 17—Evening.—Money closed easier. Gold closed dull at 110¾, @110¾. Governments dull and little change.

New York, Dec. 17.—Cotton closed firm; sales 3640. Flour dull; superfine State and Western $6 25@5 45; common to choice extra State and Western $5 90@6 50. Wheat dull; winter red and amber Western $1 43 @1 45. Corn unchanged. Pork—new $19 @19 50. Beef steady and dull. Groceries and Naval Stores steady. Freights dull.

Louisville, Dec. 17.—Bagging quiet but firm, 20@22c. Cotton firmer; middlings 13½c. Flour steady—family $5 25. Grain dull and prices unchanged. Hogs—choice 9c; receipts 6000; killed to date 102,000 head. Provisions quiet. Mess Pork $19 50. Bulk Meats—shoulders 6½c; clear rib sides 9¾c; clear sides 10¾c. Green Meats—shoulders 6c; hams 10¾c; from the block. Lard 12c. Whisky $7@8. Tobacco, sales to-day 72 hhds. at $6 50@15 for good logs to good leaf.

Cincinnati, Dec. 17.—Cotton steady, with moderate demand—middlings 14c. Flour firm and demand fair. Wheat scarce and firm, $1 45@1 50 for red winter. Corn 50@ 50c. Oats 42@43c. Rye easier. Barley 80@90c. Butter 27@30c. Pork dull and unchanged. Lard dull and drooping 10½c for kettle for head and pail. Bulk Meats—shoulders 6½c, clear rib sides, clear sides 10½c. Bacon dull and drooping—shoulders 7½c; clear rib 12¾c; clear sides 13¾c; sugar cured hams 15@16c. Whisky 87½c. Hogs scarce and firm, @5 25@5 40 for live; dressed dull, @6 00@6 75. Tobacco quiet and firm. Wheat 87c. Green meats—shoulders 6c, sides 9½c, hams 9½c for heavy, 10¾@11c for medium and light.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat—demand light, but holders firm. No. 2 red winter $1 25 @1 27½. Corn steady, with moderate demand; mixed in bulk 42@44c; yellow in bulk 43½@44c in bulk. Rye 78c. Whisky 86c. Provisions dull and unchanged. Mess Pork $19 50. Bulk Meats—shoulders 6½c; clear rib 9½@10c; clear sides 10¾@10¾c. Sugar-cured Hams 15¾@15¾. Lard in tierces 10½c. Bacon—clear sides 10¾@10¾c. Sugar-cured Hams 15¾@15¾. Hogs scarce and firm, @5 25@5 40 for light; @5 40@5 60 for heavy; dressed dull, @6 00@6 75. Cattle—supply light; demand fair. Prime to choice shipping steers, $6 50@7 00; fair to good, $5 50@6 25; butchers' steers, $4 50@5 50; stockers, $3 50@4 50; cows and heifers, $3 00@4 50; Texans, $3 00@4 00.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Flour quiet. Wheat—No. 2 spring but low; $1 08¾@1 09¾. Corn dull, declined 2c. Oats dull and lower; No. 2 at 35½c. Barley firm, closing 69½c. Rye steady. Pork dull, lower; $16 75@16 87½ for cash; $16 75@16 87½ for January. Lard dull, lower; $9 50@9 62½ for cash; $9 50@9 62½ for January. Bulk Meats firm but quiet; shoulders 6c, sides 9¾@9¾c. Hogs closing lower; $5 40@5 60.

Memphis, Dec. 17.—Cotton firmer; sales to-day 3000 bales; receipts 3604; exports 2425.

FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

Southwest Pass, Dec. 17—6 P. M.—Wind North East, stormy.

Arrived—Bark Hilda, Torgiuson master, 63 days from Bordeaux, with wine to Chas. Cavaroc.

Sailed—Ship Kalos, steamships Crescent City and Geo. Washington.

FROM PASS-A-LOUTRE.

Pass-a-Loutre, Dec. 17—6 P. M.—Wind and tide, light with rain.

Arrived—Schooner Aetna, Foster master, 7 days from Rhatan, with cargo of fruit to G. Cranda.

No departures.

[Previous Dispatches.]

Londonderry, Ireland, Dec. 16.—The Prentice Mark meeting, called to disregard the prohibition of their annual exercises, and to parade next March.

[Special to New York World.]

Baltimore, Dec. 17.—The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad disclaims any knowledge of the dispatch from New York, stating that the declaration by send representatives to the Erie Convention. The company has not been represented in any convention of the trunk lines for five years. It has taken no new or recent action in regard to representation in any convention.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Franklin Kettler and wife, two of the most respectable and most respectable residents of Southampton, were murdered by a blind son, who disputed with the father about his will.

Poughkeepsie, Dec. 17.—The steamer St. John grounded, and the steamer Bonaparte had to put back on account of the ice. Weather very cold.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—The entire stock of the American Steamship Company has been taken.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Unusually cool weather is experienced throughout the State. At 8 o'clock this morning the thermometer at Sacramento was 34 and San Francisco 46. Heavy rains are prevailing throughout Southern California.

It has been discovered that the Catholic people and clergy here have been badly swindled lately by an impostor claiming to be Bishop of Persia. He was dressed in gorgeous raiments and preached in several churches. After raising considerable sum of money to build churches in Asia he decamped.

Richmond, Dec. 17.—It was the Senate only, and not both houses, that passed the resolution for general amnesty.

Wilmington, Dec. 17.—Jack McLauchlin, one of the notorious outlaws of Robeson county, and leader in those capture large returned from Radical misrule, Radical pillage and Radical plunder. Yes, Alabama, which was unrepentantly incorporated in an omnibus bill, passed by a Radical Congress, and portentiously pressed "into the Union" against the wishes of her true and legitimate population. We have cleaned them out, "horse, foot and dragoons," and with us it is a day and a time for a general rejoicing of the whole people. And Guv. Lindsay could no more appropriately write nor sign his first untrammeled official State act, nor Mayor Horat his first municipal, than to set apart a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God for his deliverance from the vampires and thieves who have so long fastened upon their vitals and held carnivals of villany at the cost of the people.

[From the Mobile Register.]

It is long since Mobile has enjoyed a good, hearty and general laugh. What with cotton bureaux, freedmen's bureaux, bureaux for everything, conventions, legislators, state and municipal, manufactured for them at Washington, carpet-baggers, scallawags, Loyal Leaguers and other kindred plagues and pestilences, it is long, we say, since we have had a good laugh. Thank goodness, we have had it at last. Every man has a broad smile abreviated and lighted up every and any time he met his friends and their hats had shunk off their brows or it chewed the light of day. It was positively infectious; and a grave man who committed the votes are finally behavior on the public highways, but absolutely to bite his under-lip to keep from breaking out in a broad grin or an indecorous guffaw. The passenger on the sidewalk hadn't to walk far to find out what had so tickled the people. We got as far before we had walked a square from home. "Halloo, Tom, the scallawags have gone up!" and then such a cachination as never was heard before, echoed and re-echoed in such person in doing any of the said acts, or shall aid or abet in preventing, hindering, or molesting any such acts shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by imprisonment not less than one year.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sixth section of said act be amended so that the same shall read as follows, to-wit: That at each congressional district it shall be lawful for the Marshal of the United States for the district wherein said congressional district shall be to appoint as many special deputies as may be necessary to preserve order at any election at which Representatives in Congress are to be chosen in the district; and deputies are hereby authorized to preserve order at such elections and to arrest for any offense or breach of the peace committed in their view."

Grant and Porter Reconciled.

The Charleston *Courier's* Washington correspondent writes:

Washington, Dec. 9.—Admiral Porter has made his peace with Gen. Grant, through the mediation of Secretary Borie. The result is that the nomination of Porter, as Vice Admiral, has been sent in. It appears that though Grant "lost his confidence in human nature," by the development of Porter's behind the back, he is not inclined to quarrel with the man in whom he has lost his confidence. Porter, as a naval commander, declared and put on record his opinion that Gen. Grant lacked magnanimity. Of course, it was for Grant to show his magnanimity, in a signal manner, by promoting Admiral Porter to the highest rank known in our naval service.

Secretary Borie may yet have a further service to perform in his friendship for Porter—that is, to shield him from the assaults of General Logan, who proposes to dispose of the offices and titles of Admiral and Vice Admiral. The Radical feeling against Porter, on account of his difficulty with Grant, would, no doubt, dispose the dominant party to abolish the rank of Admirals altogether. The entire army sore with Grant in this matter. The report of the corps of the army is excited by this assault of naval against army commanders.

We have not yet heard the best, or even the richest part of this quarrel, of which it may be said that "it is a very pretty quarrel as it stands."

It is understood that when Gen. Butler shall have thrashed the British Lion he will apply for the position of lion-tamer to Van Amburgh's menagerie.

The New York *World* says:

Fie! fie! here is an our good approbation thrown away. We did but give Mr. Grant a merit mark for using the constitutional style when referring to the United States in his messages, and now, in the "character" he gives the new Consul to Roumania, he talks about "the United States knowing an assertion of *her own* citizens." It is submitted that no boy ought to be head-boy who calls Uncle Sam a she."

A deputation of Paris fish-wives recently waited on M. Rochefort. They did not, however, as is their custom, ask to kiss him. In 1848, when the Lamartine la Halle desired to salute Lamartine, "Mes amies" said the poor poet, "it is women only who kiss, but you are men. Your patriotism—like men I shall treat you—we shall shake hands."

GREELEY OR FOSTER.—We have enjoyed watching the flight and marking the true aim of many winged shafts, shot by the prime of the country at that meanspirited swindler, Admiral Porter, but none of them with more intense satisfaction than the following from Father Greeley's own bows:

Since Henry, of Germany, stood shivering in his penance shirt under the enemy bowers at Pope Gregory, we doubt if the world has ever seen such abject spectacle of contrition as is exhibited in Admiral Porter's letter of repentance to the President. A lower could scarcely have passed words of more slavish devotion to his fiendish mistress. A school-boy could scarcely have been driven into such stinging remorse by the brandishing of birch. We cannot read this lachrymose love letter, without the exclamation of Bolingbroke as the bedside of the dying poet rising to our lips—"Alas! poor human nature."

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 17, 1870.

The Money market continues to show signs of increasing ease. At the banks there is still a good demand for discounts, but with the increase in their available funds nearly all the approved paper offered is accepted. On the street capitalists in most cases still hold out for the high rates which have prevailed for some time past, but accommodations are extended more readily at lessie figures. With these remarks we quote 1@1½ ₱ cent. ₱ month for A1 notes accompanied by unexceptionable collaterals (with occasional transactions at 10 ₱ cent. ₱ annum,)—2@3 for good do., and 1¼@1½ and 2 for good to A1 business paper without collaterals. The ruling rates for Mortgage paper are 9@12 ₱ cent. ₱ annum for A1 and 16 for second class.

Gold opened at 110¾@110¾ (against 110¾ at New York,) and after selling as high as 110¾, closed dull at 110¾@110¾, (110¾ at New York). The sales included $2500 at 110¾, $1000, $3000, $5000 and $12,000 at 110¾, $20,000 at 110¾@110¾, $5000, $10,000 and $18,000 at 110¾ and $5000 at 110¾. In Silver $4000 ($500 and $4000) at American half-dollars changed hands at 109, and $700 at 109¾.

A fair business was transacted in Foreign Exchange, as figures showing very little variation from the selling rates of yesterday. The sales of Sterling embraced $75,000, of which $3000 bill of lading at 109¾, £7000 and £2000 at 109¾, £1000 and £2000 bill of lading at 109¾, $2000 A clear and £4000 bill of lading at 110¾, and £12,000 first class at 110¾@110.

Some 30,000 commercial francs sold at 5.23¾.

Sterling may now be quoted at 109¾ a 110¾ and 110¾ for good to A1 bill of lading and clear, and 109¾@109¾ for bank.

Domestic Exchange ruled very unsettled during the better part of the day, but closed rather weaker, though without any quotable change. Sales of bar rib 13¼c, clear sides 13¾c; sugar cured hams 15@16c. Whisky 87c. Green meats—sho