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Our Washington Correspondence.

We have to-day the pleasure of introducing our Washington correspondent to the readers of the *Bee*. We have made arrangements to secure his valuable services during the present session of Congress. That session will be characterized by events of vast importance to the welfare of the country and of the Whig party; and all who are interested in the political concerns of the nation, will be pleased to peruse a regular and faithful chronicle of the times by one who has both the opportunity and ability to record it. Our correspondent is a gentleman of experience and sagacity—one of the truest and ablest Whigs in the country, whose communications have long since established for him a well merited reputation.

The letters we publish to-day are of exceeding interest. It will be seen that the prospect of a Whig organization and a harmonious co-operation between the several branches of the party is excellent. Every thing looks bright on our side. Let the Whigs but do their duty and act in concert, and all will be well.

[Correspondence of the *Bee*.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4th, 1847.

A large majority of the House of Representatives has already assembled, and there will not be a dozen absentees to-morrow night, when both parties are to hold their Caucuses. The Whigs that have already arrived, manifest an earnest wish to perfect organization, and will throw no impediment in the way of that important object. But our majority is a small one, and the presence, as well as the co-operation of every member, is necessary. For the Speakership, Mr. Vinton, Mr. Winthrop and Mr. C. B. Smith are most prominent, though several others are named. The Free States will carry this point in the person of some one, who is least obnoxious to sectional interests, and whose mind is pledged to maintain the Constitutional compromises. The South will be fairly represented on all the Committees, so that there will be no cause of heart-burnings or partiality in the distribution of influence. This suggestion emanates from the Free States themselves, and will be honorably fulfilled.

In regard to the Clerkship—not second in importance to that of Speaker, in view of the next Presidential canvass, some little difficulty is apprehended, in consequence of an avowed purpose on the part of Mr. Adams, to support the Locofoco incumbent, Mr. French. This idiosyncracy occasions no particular astonishment, for the "Old Man eloquent" is by no means a *fixed* star. He has the privilege of age and its eccentricities, which it would not become me to arraign. If, however, every Whig is at his post, (and there is some doubt of the presence of Major Gaines and another,) all will go well. The Hon. John C. Clark, of New York, long distinguished in Congress, is first on the roll of applicants for this post. Mr. Sargent of Pa., and Mr. Ramsey stand next, and there is a contingency, by which Mr. Campbell of Tennessee may be the most formidable of all. This election is however to be determined to some extent by the geography of the Speaker, if we are able to succeed in the preliminary organization.

The President, with that *secretiveness*, which is his predominating characteristic, is preparing his Message in some dark corner of the White House, and will reserve it until the very last hour from the hands of the printer, to avail himself of the latest information and advantage. The victories of our armies, it is said, by those who ought to know, are to be *glorified* as the achievements of the administration! *Moderation* is to be the order of the day, and not that "envy, hatred, malice and all uncharitableness," which is the burthen of the song of its poetic organ. The wisdom of his Excellency comes when the patient is beyond the reach of mild measures, and when strong applications afford the only safe antidote.

An attempt will be made to falsify the record of the war, by under-estimating from the supply departments, and staving off enormous claims for future adjustment. We know that near seventy millions was the calculation from the War Office a little while ago, but that has been diminished, "small by degrees and beautifully less," until now, about one half of that amount will be presented to Congress. Resolutions of inquiry, however, will expose this fraud, unless the President vetoes the calls for information, which he is quite capable of doing. If he pursues this reprehensible course, he will find there is a remedy left beyond his reach.

Mr. Secretary Walker's one-sided report, will be ready in about ten days or a fortnight. We may expect a glorification of the beauties of Free Trade, and an entire oblivion of the failure in Europe. His conscience is an elastic one, and is always prepared for any expedient that party or personal interest may demand.

Our enterprising and most perplexing Post Master General, whose effort and anxious desire, seems to be to derange the public business and to delay the mail, has just made a new arrangement, to take effect after the 10th December, which will throw the Southern mail out a day, and often protract it longer. Instead of connecting with Richmond, via the Potomac, as heretofore, the mail, hereafter, will go down the Chesapeake Bay from Baltimore, then up the James River, and then halt at Petersburg, until the connection is made from the North as formerly. Letters from here to the South must first go to Baltimore and take their departure sixteen hours *before* the present mail time.—This difficulty has been made because of the stolid obstinacy of this bungling Postmaster General to allow the boat on the Potomac the regular compensation for carrying the mail. It is thus that the business community, and the public generally, are subjected to loss and inconvenience, by the ignorance and stupidity of a public officer, who neither knows how, nor cares to promote the services for which he is employed. It would be far cheaper to the country to pension him off with ten times the amount of salary, than to keep him in place at his present pay, as the marplot of every interest connected with the Post Office Department.

It is now anticipated, that the Fremont trial will terminate in eight or ten days. So far as any *practical* fault is concerned, it might as well have never occurred, for *smoke* will be the end of it. Mr. Polk *dares* not execute a sentence against Lieut. Col. Fremont, if he should be adjudged.

HOMO.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4th, 1847—11 P. M.

The Whig consultation, for the nomination of Speaker and Officers of the House, has just adjourned, after a long and harmonious sitting. Mr Vinton, of Ohio, was unanimously tendered the Speakership, but declined in consequence of the weakness of his constitution, to encounter the laborious duties of the position.

The only candidates then presented to the caucus, were Mr. Winthrop and Mr. C. B. Smith, of whom the former received the nomination on the first ballot. There are few men in Congress so familiar with the rules of order and parliamentary law as Mr. Winthrop, and none more capable of imparting dignity to the office or ensuring decorum in the proceedings of the House.

Mr. Campbell, of Tenn. was nominated as Clerk of the House, it being considered but just that the two great geographical divisions should be represented in the distribution of places. Mr. McCormick of this city, received the nomination of Postmaster to the House; Mr. Sargent—"Oliver Oldschool"—that of Sergeant-at-Arms, and Mr Horner, of New Jersey, that of principal Door-keeper.

The persons selected are all competent and reliable, besides having the merit of being sterling and devoted Whigs. From the developments of the last twenty-four hours, I apprehend no serious difficulty in electing these nominees. The only two persons, besides Mr. Adams, given out by Mr. French, as likely to support him in preference to the regular Whig candidates—Mr. Eddings of Ohio, and Mr. Tuck of N. Hampshire—have both, in person and thro' their friends, disclaimed the purpose and denied the authority for such an assertion by the Locofoco incumbent.

There are, however, a few Whigs who are still impracticable upon the nominations, but whom reflection and "sober second thought" will doubtless bring to a sense of duty, in harmonizing the operations of the party.

The administration is in a quandary how to get out of its peace mission in the person of the Commissioner now in Mexico. They have managed to confuse this plain matter as they have done every thing else, and to garnish it with all manner of contradictory statements, so as to meet every emergency that may arise. Mr. Trist was, undoubtedly, sent to Mexico to make the most of a bad bargain:—in other words, to extricate the "powers that be" from the dilemma of a most expensive and bloody war, which had followed in the face of all their protestations to the contrary, made in the canvass of 1844. We know the result of Mr. Trist's first experiment. We then know that letters of recall were issued from the Department of State; and we also know that a virtual revocation of these letters was subsequently despatched, in which authority was conveyed for him to resume negotiations at his discretion.—Hence, there is little doubt of the truth of the report, that he has submitted new propositions to the Congress at Queretaro, or through the proper functionary if there is such a character in Mexico. What will be the result of this application, no one can certainly predict; but, I must confess that my own convictions all argue against the establishment of peace in that way. Our efficiency has been weakened by the imbecility of the administration in conducting the war, and though the successes of our Generals and soldiers have astonished the world and paralyzed Mexico for a time, the want of ability and force to follow them up has deprived us of the great moral impression that otherwise would necessarily have been made.

This dynasty cannot end the war—they found power or usurped it to begin, but they have not the ability to finish it.

So far as the duty of the Whigs is concerned, in sustaining the honor and army of the country, the timid need give themselves no apprehension. The necessary supplies will be granted, after proper inquiry. The Executive, who commenced, must have some object in continuing this war, and it is the right of Congress to ascertain it. If he refuses to explain, as is likely he will do, then it remains for Congress, as the war making power, to declare the purposes and to appropriate the necessary means for executing them.

HOMO.

THE SPEAKER.—We are extremely gratified to learn through our correspondent, that there is little doubt that the Hon. ROBT. WINTHROP, of Mass., will be elected the Whig Speaker of the House of Representatives, although there was at one time a question whether the Southern Whigs would support him. Mr. WINTHROP, says the N. Y. *Courier*, is one of the very ablest men in the House—a man of high acquirements, admirably calculated to fill with honor and dignity the Speaker's chair,—and a *gentleman* in the broadest acceptance of that term. His election would do honor to the House and to the Country; and the South cannot entertain the idea of opposition to him on sectional ground, knowing as they do, that while opposed, as he unquestionably is, to *slavery*, he still had the fearlessness to oppose and put down an Anti-Slavery movement in the Whig Convention of Massachusetts, on the broad national ground, that it is a domestic institution, with which the North, may not, and must not interfere. He is a statesman of enlarged views—one of whom the whole country may be justly proud; and without intending any disrespect to others, we indulge the hope that he will be elected Speaker without serious opposition.

HENRY CLAY.—The Washington *Whig* of the 3rd has the following announcement:

"It is with no ordinary gratification that we are enabled to announce the pleasing intelligence that HENRY CLAY purposes to visit Washington this winter, and that he will probably arrive about the 23d of this month. No man's presence will be greeted with greater delight than Mr. CLAY'S by his hosts of devoted friends. They long once more for an opportunity of doing homage to his powerful intellect, and far-seeing statesmanship. He comes in the highest of all characters—that of the private citizen—and he will receive at the hands of the people such a welcome as will make his heart warm for joy on revisiting the scenes of his former triumphs. We hail the advent of the venerable statesman, and hope that the city will at once take measures to make him her guest."

A Washington letter states that Mr. CLAY will visit Washington for the purpose of attending the Supreme Court.

☞ The conversion of the N. Y. *Globe* into a Wilmot-Proviso organ of the Democracy—a change alluded to in another article—is construed into a preparatory step on the part of the friends of MARTIN VAN BUREN, to bring him forward as the Barnburners' candidate for the Presidency in 1848. We should dearly like to see the calculating, cautious and selfish Sage of Kinderhook—the man of icy passions—who never had the slightest hold upon the popular heart, pitted against the "Thunderer of Buena Vista." How much of Mr. Van Buren would be left after the contest?

But the movement will not suit Southern Locofocoism, and will be supremely distasteful to the tenant of the White House. It menaces the Democracy with a schism just formidable enough to throw into utter confusion their sorely tried and tottering party. We thought there was something more than the mere difference of opinion on the slavery question, that led to the rupture between the New York Barnburners and Old Hunkers, and here we have the solution in the determination of the former to press the claims of their champion, Mr. Van Buren. We shall watch this new phase in the aspect of the Northern Democracy, and chronicle its results as they may transpire.

Still Later from Vera Cruz.

By the arrival yesterday of the steamship *Virginia*, Capt. Tucker, from Vera Cruz, which she left on the 7th inst., we have received papers several days later than those brought by the *Portia*. The *Free American*, of the 2nd, mentions the departure of the large train under Gen. Butler, and estimates its number at 8,000; but the next day the same paper states that the number had been much exaggerated.

A severe Norther was experienced at Vera Cruz on the 2nd, and a schooner, name unknown, was blown ashore.

The *Arco Iris*, of the 3d, contains the following paragraphs:

By last accounts, Gen. Filisola was at Queretaro with a force of 2,000 men. The General-in Chief, Bustamente, had yet his head-quarters at Guanajuato with an army of 9,000.

It is reported that Jarauta is about to return to operate in the neighborhood of this city, and that his band has been reinforced with 300 charros of the interior, who are, it is said, to be paid by the Marquis del Jarel.

Many members of the Congress, displeased with the election of the new President, gave up their seats and retired in disgust from the city of Queretaro. However, there remained yet more than the fixed number, which is required to form a quorum.

We have been informed that Padre Martin (the second of Jarauta) has been made prisoner, while sleeping in one of the garitas of the city of Mexico.

The weather is extremely bad, and the north wind rages with the greatest violence. We fear much for the vessels that were yesterday near the coast, for in all probability some of them must be now ashore.

One of the pilot boats, we think the Peruvian, has been dashed against the beach, but we have not been able yet to ascertain if there has been any loss of life.

In the *Free American* of the 4th, we find the following:

The train under the command of Gen. Marshall, is marching into the interior. The General will command about 1780 men, rank and file, and will consist of one regiment of Tennessee volunteers—foot—800 men, a battalion of infantry, volunteers and regulars, under Major W. W. Morris, 4th artillery, of 500 men; a battalion of Georgia mounted volunteers under Lt. Col. Calhoun, 480 men.

We regret to have to announce the death of Lieut. Malakoski, late of the New York volunteers. He died of the vomito. His remains were accompanied to the grave last evening, by a detachment of the Louisiana volunteers, and a good many officers and friends.

The *Virginia* brought up eighty discharged soldiers.

Mr. Doyle and the Marquis of Duporte, charges des affaires of the British and French governments, have arrived at Vera Cruz, and the fact gave rise to much surmise.

Paredes has published a manifesto at Tulancingo, in which he professes the most patriotic and disinterested devotion to Mexico, and asks for employment in the army.

On the 19th ult., many of the citizens of the Capital were alarmed at a rumor that the *leperos* were to revolt that night, and to rob and murder all whom they could find; but the night passed without any disturbance whatever.

DEATH OF HENRY S. QUITMAN.—We regret to learn by the Maryland papers, that General Quitman has lost a brother in the person of Henry S. Quitman, Esq., who died on the 26th ult., at Vine Cottage, Baltimore county, Md.

THE FREMONT COURT MARTIAL.—On the 3rd inst., Lieut. Col. FREMONT submitted to the Court, a very voluminous mass of printed and manuscript documentary evidence, intended for his defence. The Court claimed the entire day for the examination of these papers, and adjourned until the morrow, when Com. Stockton would be examined. The verdict of the Court would probably be rendered on the 9th.

ANOTHER SIGN.—We learn that the New York *Globe*, the leading Old Hunker paper before the last election, has changed editors, and is now under the control of one of the Wilmot Proviso Democracy. Democrats at the South—says the Richmond *Republican*, commenting on this piece of information—will begin to appreciate, after a time, the true position of our boasted Northern allies. One after another these choice friends are dropping off, "like leaves in wintry weather." The remarks of Hon. Mr. Belser, a veteran Democrat, at the Taylor meeting in Alabama, will yet recommend themselves to the Southern Democracy. He declared "that his experience in public life had taught him, *that there was no difference in parties in the North on the subject of abolition*—and that public men there, avowing opposition to the Wilmot Proviso, must be prostrated by public sentiment in that section—that Governor Shunk was elected as a Wilmot Proviso man—that the Convention at Syracuse was a humbug—and that the only hope of the South and the country was in Gen. Taylor—that he fully believed this—that he had taken his stand upon it, and should abide by it. He stated that he, as a politician, had given up his first choice, Mr. Calhoun, feeling that the crisis overrode all party considerations, and believing that Gen. Taylor was the only Southern man who could be elected. It was his fixed belief, that to this opinion, all, of all parties must ultimately come."

WHIG TRIUMPH IN SAVANNAH.—The municipal election in Savannah on the 6th inst., resulted in a brilliant Whig triumph. Burroughs (W.) was re-elected Mayor by 239 majority, and the entire Whig Board of Aldermen was chosen by about the same majority.

EXTENSION OF THE TELEGRAPH.—The N. Y. *Herald* publishes a table of the Lines of Telegraph finished, in progress, and in contemplation. The first covers a space, of 3,047 miles; the second will extend 2,812 miles, and the last will, when carried out, stretch the line 2,000 miles further. Thus it will be seen, says the *Herald*, probably in the present year, that all this vast republic will be covered with telegraphic wires, and important intelligence from every extremity of the nation will be known every morning at those great centres of radius, our principal cities.

NORFOLK BEACON.—It will be recollected that the office of this paper was recently destroyed by fire. Mr. Wm. E. Cunningham, the senior member of the late firm of proprietors, announces his intention of resuming its publication at the earliest practicable period, and in view of this, solicits a continuance of the patronage of the subscribers and advertisers.

While writing this, we have seen a number of the "American Beacon," published under the editorial management of Mr. John H. Hewitt, formerly of this city, by Messrs. Bagnall & Boothby, co-proprietors with Mr. Cunningham, of the late establishment. What differences may exist between these gentlemen, as indicated by this, we hope may be so adjusted as to insure the permanent re-publication of this valuable journal.

U. S. FINANCES.—It appears from the monthly statement of the Secretary of the Treasury, that there was on deposite in the various Government depositories, on the 29th of November, subject to his draft, the sum of $4,452,???.86.

The following are the transfers ordered:—

From Assistant Treas. N. York,	$2,000,000 00
From Ass. Treas., Philadelphia,	250,000 00
From suspense account,	21,100 80
	$2,271,100 80
To Ass. Treasurer, New York,	616,465 84
To Treasury U. S., Wash. D. C.	100,000 00
To Ass. Treasurer, N. Orleans,	2,104,634 96
	$2,821,100 80

FROM THE RIO GRANDE.—By the arrival of the schr. *Blancke E. Sayre*, we have received a copy of the Matamoros *American Flag* of the 1st inst. It is almost entirely destitute of news. The subjoined paragraphs are all we could find in it:

Major BRIGHT, Paymaster, U. S. A., for the Camargo District, arrived in town yesterday on the steamer Whiteville, from Camargo. The Major is after funds, obtaining which, he will leave to-morrow on the same boat, on his return to his station above.

Lieut. Thos. B. J. Weld, 2nd artillery, has been relieved from duty as assistant commissary of subsistence at the mouth of the Rio Grande, by Capt. W. C. McCauslin, A. C. S.

FROM VERA CRUZ.—By the Steamship *Virginia*, Capt. Tucker, arrived yesterday from Vera Cruz, whence she left on the 7th inst., we learn that the U. S. Transport steamer *Maria Burt*, left Vera Cruz on the 5th for this port, and the *Fashion* left the day after, bound to Tampico, for repairs, having encountered very heavy weather during her outward passage from this port; springing a leak in her sponging, it was, upon examination, found necessary to cut them open, having three feet water in her hold. The *Fashion* received some other slight injuries, which after being repaired, she would sail for this port.

It was reported at Vera Cruz, the day before the Virginia left, that the Maria Burt was ashore 35 miles above the City. The U. S. Quartermaster immediately despatched the steamer *A. R. Heitzel*, Capt. Baker, to her rescue, who, after running some forty miles up the Coast, returned to Vera Cruz, without having seen her.

EX-GOVERNOR MARCUS MORTON, of Mass., who was a passenger by the Pilot Line on the night of the 1st instant, from New York, to Philadelphia, in stepping from the cars at Trenton, fell into the canal, but was rescued without material injury, although (as we learn from the North American) he was compelled to remain at that place.

IDENTITY OF NAMES IN CONGRESS.—The industrious editor of the *Tribune*, furnishes the following curious statement:

There are three Smiths in this Congress, all in the House: *Truman Smith* of Ct., *Caleb B. Smith* of Ind. and Robert Smith of Ill.—three Browns: Charles Brown of Pa. Wm G Brown of Va. and Albert G Brown of Miss.—two Davises: (both Senators) *John Davis* of Mass. and Jefferson Davis of Miss.—five Johnsons: *Reverdy Johnson* of Md. *Henry Johnson* of Lou. (Senators); James H Johnson of N. H., Andrew Johnson of Tenn. and Robert W. Johnson of Ark.—six Thompsons: James Thompson of Pa. Robt. A. Thompson of Va. Jacob Thompson of Miss. *Richard W. Thompson* of Ind. *John B. Thompson* of Ky. and William Thompson of Iowa—two Joneses: *John W. Jones* of Ga. and Geo. W. Jones of Tenn.—two Millers: Senator *Jacob W. Miller* of N. J., John K Miller of Ohio—two Butlers: Senator A P Butler of S. C., *Chester Butler* of Pa.—two Holmeses: *Elias B. Holmes* of our State, and Isaac E. Holmes of S. C.—two Duncans: *Daniel Duncan* of Ohio and *Garnett Duncan* of Ky.—two Adamses: *John Q. Adams* of Mass. and *Green Adams* of Ky.—two Evanses: *Alex. Evans* of Md. and *Nathan Evans* of Ohio—two Stuarts: *Andrew Stewart* of Pa. and Charles E. Stuart of Mich.—three Clarks: Senator *John H. Clarke*, of R. I. Franklin Clarke of Maine, and B L Clark of Ky.—two Halls: *Nathan K. Hall* of N. Y. and Willard B. Hall of Mo.—two Ingersolls: *Joseph R.* and Charles J. both of Pa.—two Cobbs: Howell of Ga. and W. R. W. of Ala.—two Phelpses: Senator *S S Phelps* of Vt. and John S. Phelps of Mo.—two Rockwells: *Julius* of Mass. and *John A.* of Ct.—two Haleses, Senator *John P.* of N. H. and *Artemas* of Mass.

There are doubtless some other coincidences, but these are all that now occur to us. The names in *Italics* are those of Whigs.

SPECIE.—The N. Y. *Tribune* of the 2d inst. says:—The receipts of specie are very considerable from all parts of the country. The estimated amount of specie in the whole country is in round numbers $100,000,000.

The steamer *Acadia*, which left Boston on the 1st, for Liverpool, took out $404,000 in specie, of which sum $300,000 were from New York.

The packet ship *Oneida*, from New York for Havre, takes out $60,000 in silver.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION AT PORT-AU-PRINCE.—A Telegraphic Dispatch from Boston to the *Herald*, dated the 2nd inst., says:

Capt. Whelden of the schr. Aben Atkins, from Cape Haytien, 14th ult., reports that information had been received at that place, that the Haytien man-of-war bark Nautilus had been blown up in the harbor of Port-au-Prince, killing ninety persons. No further particulars given.

POPULATION OF CHICAGO.—There are 16,841 residents in Chicago, showing a large increase over the past year.

LONGEVITY.—In the 7th Representative District (Third Municipality) there are eight free persons of color—four males and four females—all over 100 years of age.

JEWISH CONGRESS.—A Congress of reformist Israelites were to meet in the course of the last month, at Berlin, Prussia, to discuss questions relative to the exterior worship, and to the reforms of which Judaism may be susceptible, in accordance to the wants of the age.

City Intelligence.

FIRST DISTRICT COURT.—Judge McHenry passed sentence yesterday on McLaughlin, indicted by the District Attorney, for burglary, but convicted only of larceny. The Court, taking into consideration the length of time during which the prisoner was confined in prison, sentenced him only to three months simple imprisonment, and costs of Court.

L. Guttfield, charged with larceny, was put upon his trial, and was found guilty. The Court will pass sentence on Saturday next.

The attention of the Court was next occupied with the trial of an assault and battery case.

George Ferno charged with keeping a Faro Table in the 2d Municipality, was arraigned and plead guilty. He was immediately sentenced by the Court to pay a fine of $1100 and costs of Court. It was forthwith paid by the accused.

RECORDER RAMOS.—Mr. Louis Senegal, yesterday came in Recorder Ramos' office, and stated under oath, that on Sunday night last, at about nine o'clock, a man whom he will point out to the police, entered forcibly his premises, situated in Hospital street, between Conde and Old Levee, and without any cause or provocation whatever, assaulted and cut him in the face with a knife. His Honor issued a warrant for the arrest of the party accused.

Dominique Luciani stated under oath that one Jack O'Brien entered, on Sunday morning last, his oyster stand, situated between the two Markets of the First Municipality, and carried away some money which he had in a tin box. The accused is now in prison awaiting a preliminary examination before Recorder Ramos.

Philippe Excuse was arrested by Lieutenant Ferrari, for receiving fifty pair of brogans, knowing the same to be stolen. The prisoner was yesterday brought up before Recorder Ramos, who committed him for trial before the First District Court.

RECORDER BALDWIN.—James Quinn was yesterday brought before the committing Magistrate of the 2nd Municipality, on a charge of having stolen a fur cap on board the steamer Cincinnati. The prisoner was committed as a vagrant to the workhouse.

James Chapman, a cab driver, for running away with a gentleman's hat, was examined and committed for trial before the First District Court.

Henrietta, the slave of Mr. Jones, was arrested at the request of Mr. Poole, for stealing his gold watch. The slave George, belonging to Mr. Truckey, was also arrested for stealing a barrel of pork from on board the steamer Time and Tide. They were both remanded to jail.

RECORDER SEUZENEAU.—Julia Swirzer was arrested on the 8th inst. on the oath of John Antonio, who charges her with having swindled him out of goods to the value of forty-five dollars. The accused was under bond to appear before Recorder Seuzeneau, and the case was yesterday called up. After a thorough investigation, his honor committed Julia for trial before the First District Court.

James Edwards was yesterday arrested by the police of the Third Municipality, charged with picking the pockets of Mr. Richard Pierce, and also with tearing his (Pierce's) handkerchief. The prisoner will be brought up this morning before Recorder Seuzeneau.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL THIEF.—Yesterday morning a thief entered the Planters' Hotel, situated on Canal street, in the 2nd Municipality, for the purpose of committing robbery. He first entered the room of a gentleman who had just left his pantaloons on a chair, with about $800 in the pockets. The thief took the pants and ran with them to an adjoining room, where, it appears, he knew there was a coat with about $1,800 in its pockets. He was not, however, successful this time. He was leaving the room, with his booty, when the alarm was given by a servant. The rascal dropped the money on the floor, and fled into the street. Had it not been for the city raised by the servant, a sum of about $2,600 would have been stolen by the bold scoundrel.

COUNCIL OF MUNICIPALITY No. ONE.—The Council met last evening for the transaction of the weekly business. Alderman Barthe presided.

The Secretary read a message from the Mayor, in which he informed the Board that he had adjudicated, for the year 1848, the several markets of the Municipality. The Great market was adjudicated to Mr. F. Wolfe for $55,600; the vegetable market to Mr. F. De Wint for $37,500, and the Treme market to Mr. F. De Wint for $9,650.

On motion of Mr. Giquel, a committee of three was appointed to look into the qualifications of Mr. Clement Ramos, the Recorder elect. After a recess of some minutes, the committee submitted a report, by which it was resolved that Mr Ramos was duly qualified, and that he was entitled to his seat, as President of this Board. Said report being unanimously adopted, Mr. Ramos entered the Council chamber, and occupied the chair, after having previously addressed some appropriate remarks to the Council.

A resolution providing for the payment to the Board of Health, of this city, certain sums, for expenses incurred in the year 1847, was referred to the finance committee by a vote of 8 yeas and 4 nays.

A communication was read from Denis Prieur and Alice Lebranche, commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of the new Custom House, transmitting a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Walker, in which he accepts, in the name of the United States, the donation made by the first Municipality of the lot of ground where the Custom House now stands. On motion, a special committee of seven members was appointed to examine the plan of the erection of the new Custom House—Messrs. Hagan, Slingerland, Pecquet, Bureau, Crossit, Derbes and Dupre.

Mr. Pecquet presented a series of resolutions instructing the Captain of the Guard to protect the keepers of houses where the game of keno or loto is played within this Municipality, until it be ascertained by the proper tribunal that the game be against the statutes of the State.

After much debate upon the question, Mr. Fabre presented a substitute prohibiting the Captain of the Guard making any arrest concerning the game of keno, unless ordered by the proper authorities.

Mr. Bureau moved to insert also the following, "that it is within the knowledge of the Attorney General that the games of Faro and Roulette, are openly played on the race course within the limits of this parish." This amendment was adopted by a majority of the members.

Mr. Fabre's substitute was still under debate at a late hour, when our reporter left.

☞ The Third Municipality Council met last evening. The official report will shortly appear in our paper. The most important business transacted, was an ordinance presented by Alderman Solomon, in relation to the funding of the debts of the Municipality. The reader will peruse that ordinance when we publish the proceedings of that body.

SKETCHES OF LIFE AND CHARACTER IN LOUISIANA.—Our thanks are due the author for a revised copy in book form of the sketches of the Bench and Bar, which during the past year have appeared in the columns of the *Jeffersonian* and *Bee*. The volume embracing them is for sale at Morgan's Literary Depot, and at the bookstore of J. B. Steel.

These sketches are written with vivacity, and not unfrequently, vigor. Their principal and almost only fault is that in the effort to give striking individuality to his portraits, the author has occasionally exaggerated the prominent traits of his subjects. In other respects they are well conceived and happily executed—the style is lively and sustained, and the subject matter evinces a close and penetrating observation, as well as considerable industry in the collection of materials.

STORY BOOKS FOR CHILDREN.—We are indebted to the Appletons, publishers, through the politeness of J. B. STEEL, No. 14 Camp street, for a series of handsome little volumes, intended as Holyday presents for children. They are as follows: "Sunny Hours of Childhood," a new story for children, with colored engravings; "Holiday Tales," a story book for the young; "The Prize Story Book," consisting of Tales translated from the German, French and Italian, together with select Tales from the English, embellished with numerous original designs; "Leisure Moments Improved;" a choice and new collection of History, Biography, Travels, Tales of peril and adventure, manners and customs, &c. &c., for young people, with numerous engravings. These are all charming books for juvenile readers, and appear to have been compiled with vigilant care.

DREADFUL ACCIDENT.—A CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.—On Tuesday morning last, says the *Jersey City Sentinel*, a little boy, about three years' old, named Samuel Williams of this city, met an excruciating death in the following manner: It appears that the mother left the child for a few moments, on an errand on the opposite side of the street. She had been gone scarcely a minute, when the child's clothes by some means took fire from the coals burning in the grate, whereupon the poor little fellow ran into the yard. The neighbors seeing the smoke and supposing the woodhouse to be on fire gave the alarm, and the unhappy mother learning the fact rushed to the rescue of her boy, but too late to save him.

FRACAS AND FATAL RESULT.—On Monday evening of last week, two colored men, named Jefferson Lansey and Samuel Weeks, met at a grocery store in Lexington street, near the market, and, in the course of the evening, quarreled about the result of a game which they had been playing. In the dispute Lansey became excited, and finally struck Weeks with a knife, inflicting a wound in his arm, which caused his death on Tuesday last. Lansey was arrested, we hear, immediately upon the commission of the act, and held to bail for assault only; but upon the fatal result being known, another warrant was issued to officers Grom and Gamble, who succeeded in arresting him yesterday afternoon, when he drove to the Railroad depot, in his hack, for passengers by the Philadelphia train. He was taken before Justice Hooper and committed for trial.—*Balt. Pat. 2nd.*

By Telegraph.

Correspondence of the Baltimore Patriot.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4—6 P. M.

There were no transactions of importance at the stock board this morning.

Flour is held at $6 50, with sales.

Prime white Wheat will bring 138 a 139 cts.; new yellow Corn 56c.; Corn meal $3 25.

Whiskey 29c. Nothing doing in Cotton.

Small sales of Tobacco at prices last quoted.

There is no change in other articles usually spoken of in the markets, all business being almost entirely suspended in anticipation of the arrival of the steamer.

The weather is very pleasant, the storm having passed to the northward.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4—6 P. M.

There were sales of 4000 bbls. Genesee flour to-day at $6 37 1-2.

Holders of Wheat are very firm, and buyers do not meet them. 1500 bushels red, inferior quality, were sold for 130 cts.

Corn and other grains are in steady demand at previous rates. Some 4000 bushels old yellow brought 76 a 77 cts. Sales of old white at 72.

Oats 48 cts. Prices of all articles are generally on the advance, but dealers disposed to await foreign news.

Candidate for Mayor.

☞ We are authorised to announce the Hon. A. D. CROSSMAN, as a candidate for re-election of the office of MAYOR of the City of New Orleans.

☞ Please to announce Mr. HENRY LEGENDRE, as a candidate for the office of Alderman of the 5th District of First Municipality, vice C. Ramos, who has been elected Recorder.

ELECTORS OF THE 5TH DISTRICT.

☞ We are authorised by Mr. P. DEVERGES, to announce that he is no more a Candidate for Alderman of the 5th Ward of Municipality No. 1.

New Orleans Customhouse.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Nov. 2?, 1847.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received until the first MONDAY of February, 1848, at the office of the Commissioners appointed for the erection of the Customhouse in the city of New Orleans, for the following materials:

18,500,000 of good hard burnt brick.

The exact size to be mentioned.

12,000 barrels of fresh lime; 7,000 do hydraulic cement; 35,000 do sharp sand; more or less.

The above materials to be delivered on the Levee in New Orleans, as near the site of the present Customhouse as practicable, and in such quantities as shall from time to time be required, to conformity with appropriations made by Congress. The proposals to be addressed to Denis Prieur, Alce La Branche, and Wm. M. Gwinn, Commissioners for the erection of a Customhouse in New Orleans, endorsed "Sealed Proposals for furnishing materials for the erection of a Customhouse at New Orleans."

When the proposals are opened by the Commissioners, they will communicate copies, together with their views and recommendations for the consideration of the department.

The communication of the Commissioners will be addressed to the First Comptroller of the Treasury, who, together with the First Auditor of the Treasury, being the proper officers connected with the Customhouse accounts, will give their views in writing as to the proposals, to the department. The right of rejecting any bid is reserved.

Ample security will be required for the faithful fulfilment of any contract entered into for furnishing any of the before-mentioned materials.

R. J. WALKER, Sec'y of the Treasury.

☞ The sale by the Sheriff of the Parish of Orleans, of the furniture of the St. Louis Hotel, will be continued this day, TUESDAY, the 14th inst. at 10 o'clock, A. M.

☞ Purchasers of Real Estate, are notified that a sale of Choice Property, situated in the First and Second Municipalities, takes place THIS DAY, at the St. Louis Exchange, at 12 o'clock. The sale is under the charge of Messrs. Beard, Calhoun & Co., and will be made without reserve on liberal credit.

PREVENTIVE OF YELLOW FEVER. The system prepared by the use of the following, will almost certainly escape the scourge. AN UNEQUALLED REMEDY. LONGLEY'S WESTERN INDIAN PANACEA. To be had only at 50 Poydras street, at Comstock's celebrated medicine store.

☞ J. WINER & CO.'S CANADIAN VERMIFUGE.—Wholesale Agency, 161 Chartres street. J. WRIGHT, wholesale Agent for the South and West.

☞ Dalley's Magical Pain Extractor.

☞ Notice.—The French bark CEPHALIDE, Captain Asmont, from Marseilles.

St. Louis Church. WEDNESDAY, 22nd day of December inst.

NOTICE. The British West India Mail Steamer TEVIOT, Captain Hast. J. G. ELLIOT, Treasurer.

Mexican Gulf Railway Company. G. M. HOWE, Comptroller.

Hoes for Sale. WM. DINN, 52 Common st.

PRESERVES.—Corner Royal and St. Peter sts.

RECEIVED by the last importations. V. MAIGNAN, 87 St. Louis st.

LANDING from ship Clinton, from Bordeaux. S. D. GRATIA, 35 Natchez.

BAGGING, ROPE AND TWINE. FORMAN & KENNEDY, 75 Tchoupitoulas st.

BACON SIDES—175 casks best Cincinnati sides. FORMAN & KENNEDY.

FLOUR—720 bbls. Ohio Flour. FORMAN & KENNEDY.

LARD—50 bbls and 79 kegs Lard. FORMAN & KENNEDY.

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CHAMPAGNE—400 baskets Champagne. E. ROCHEREAU & Co.

LANDING from ship Clinton. DABAN, GUILLEROUZ & Co.

LANDING from ship Geo. Scofield. D. LANATA.

TALLOW CANDLES—125 boxes mould Candles. ALFRED KEARNY & Co. 98 Magazine st.

LIME—300 bbls fresh Thomaston lime. ALFRED KEARNY & Co.

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PIANOS with an elongation, large model, with seven octaves and a double escapement, manufactured by Erard. Pianos with an elongation, large dimensions, and seven octaves, by Pleyel. Also, straight Pianos, large dimensions, oblique cord, by Erard.

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BOOTS, SHOES AND BROGANS. FROST & CO., No. 10 Magazine st.

HATS AND CAPS—300 cases. E. G. HOBBS, Customhouse st.

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