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BULLITT, MAGNE & CO.

NOTICE.—Thos. Hewitt having admitted Mr. W H Hewitt a co-partner, we continue the date transact Commission business, under the style of

TUFTS, HOBART & Co.

☞ REMOVED—SHULTZ, HADDEN & LEACH have removed to 77 Tchoupitoulas street. jy

SHULTZ, HADDEN & LEACH, *Commission and Forwarding Merchants*, 77 Tchoupitoulas street, New Orleans. Cincinnati, Shultz, Hadden, Joseph Leach Maysville, Ky New Orleans, New Orleans. jy

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H. DE GOER & RIFFLARD, *Importers of French, English & German Dry Goods*, AND DEALERS IN DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES AND ALL KINDS OF NEGRO WOLLENS AND COTTONS, FOR PLANTATIONS, 8 Da Gouy, Paris. J. Riffelard, New Orleans. jn1 New Orleans No. 56 Chartres street.

SAMUEL TOBY, *Commission Merchant*, New York. 1y

BANKERS—3 good French bankers, for sale by SCHMIDT & Co, 86 Bienville st

WINDOW GLASS French window glass, for sale by SCHMIDT & Co, 86 Bienville st

ISINGLASS—one chest, of superior kind, for sale by SCHMIDT & Co, 86 Bienville st

BROWN ROLLS, for sale by SCHMIDT & Co, 86 Bienville st

MADEIRA WINE—in kettles, for sale by SCHMIDT & Co, 86 Bienville st

MANILLA CORDAGE 1½—7 inches, for sale by GEO GREEN & BRO, 84 Gravier

RIO COFFEE—2 000 bags, for sale by GEO GREEN & BRO, 84 Gravier

SODA—1 yellow soap, for sale by GEO. GREEN & BRO. 84 Gravier

KENTUCKY BAGGING AND ROPE, for sale by GEO GREEN & BRO, 84 Gravier

BILLS of Exchange on Paris, for sale by A GORDON WYLIE & Co

BILLS of Exchange on London, for sale by A GORDON WYLIE & Co

WINE—20 cases Marseilles wine, for sale by FLONGIS, 116 Royal st

PORT WINE—300 bottle Port wine, for sale by FLONGIS, 116 Royal st

MADEIRA WINE—3 0 bottle Madeira wine, for sale by FLONGIS, 116 Royal st

MOUTARDE WINE—10 pipes superior Moutarde, for sale by FLONGIS, 116 Royal st

OIL—in a gallon water, for sale by JOHN R SHAW & Co, 24 Poydras

OILS—30 bottle of Castor oil, for sale by JOHN R SHAW & Co, 24 Poydras

STEARIN CANDLES—20 boxes stearine candles, for sale by TUFTS, HOBART & Co, 28 Gravier st

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STEAM PACKETS

SECOND MUNICIPALITY STEAM FERRY. *First Wharf above Common street.* Families wishing to pass the afternoon for change of air with their children on board the First and Second Municipality steam ferry boats, can always do so, crossing as long as they please during the afternoon without any further charge. ROBERT MURPHY. a14—1m

FOR OPELOUSAS—The well known light draught and fast running steamer UNRIVALED, T Johnston, master, is now in port and receiving freight at the foot of Canal street, and will leave as above on Wednesday morning, 14th inst, at 10 o'clock, a. m. For further particulars apply on board of the JOHN HALL, No 1 Front Levee

PASSENGER STEAMER CASPIAN, Capt. Reed, is fitted—FOR ST LOUIS—This splendid boat is receiving freight and will leave as above, on Saturday the 17th inst at 4 o'clock. For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations apply on board, or to J K SHAW & Co, Agents. 24 Poydras st

F R FALE—The substantial steamboat OSCEOLA, with her engines, boiler and furniture, is she now lies on the opposite side of the river For terms, which will be liberal, apply to F W HUBBARD & Co, 96 Tchoupitoulas st

Weekly Packet. FOR VICKSBURG, WARRENTON, Grand Gulf, Rodney and Natchez—The new and last running steamboat J W WHITE, Conrad master, will ply as a regular packet for the above and intermediate points, commencing her trips about the 20th of September next. She will leave New Orleans every Wednesday evening at 4 o'clock, and arrive at Vicksburg early on Friday morning and on her down trips will leave Vicksburg every Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. JOHN R SHAW & Co, Agents. 24 Poydras st jy26

UNITED STATES MAIL—SEMI-WEEKLY PACKET LINE—Fall and Winter Arrangement—For the Coast, Domingueville, Pisquamine, Baton Rouge, Waterloo, and Bayou Sarah. The splendid steamers BRILLIANT and BLACK SCOTT, under the command of Capt. Jesse Hart and C. Swan, will form a regular line of packets between New Orleans and the above named places, commencing their trips on the 1st September next, and continue throughout the season. These boats are not surpassed in accommodations, and the commanders are too well known to need any recommendation.

The Brilliant, Capt Hart, will continue her regular trips as heretofore twice a week until the arrangement takes place. Apply on board, or to W H AVERY, 56 Gravier

☞ The office of the New Orleans INSURANCE COMPANY has been removed from Royal street to No 60 Canal in Masonic Buildings. jy16—1m

☞ During our temporary absence from Mobile, Messrs J WARTHUS & Co will attend to our business. S BROADWELL & Co. jy8

S M DARBY & THE MOULET, *COMMISSION MERCHANTS*, No. 41 OLD LEVEE, New Orleans.

SMITH BRYAN, *IMPORTERS OF BRITISH DRY GOODS*, AND GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT, No. 20 LAFAYETTE STREET, New-Orleans.

REFERENCES—Benjamin Story, Esq John Hagan, Mr. Esq Alexander Grant, Esq. Messrs. Grinnell, Minturn & Co. Isaac Law & co. Liverpool. England. James & Thomas Kennedy Belfast, Ireland James Thompson Bryan, Esq. Magistrate, &c. New York. New-Orleans. jy14—tf

CHS. C. CIFRECO, *MEDICAL DOCTOR*, No. 78 LOUISIANA STREET, Between Royal and Chartres streets

William Davidson John Patterson WILLIAM DAVIDSON & Co, *Cotton Factors and Commission Merchants*, No. 84 Chartres street. 1y

THE COPARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the undersigned under the name of Toule & Barrere is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The liquidation of the firm will be made by either of us, and the nature of the firm signed in liquidation only. WM. S TOULE, CHARLES A. BARRERE. New Orleans, June 1st, 1844.

NOTICE—The subscriber will continue the business of the late firm, at the old stand. CHARLES A. BARRERE, 30 Chartres st

DURNO are absent from the city. Mr JULES TARDO holds our power of attorney. TOULE & BARRERE, jy in Liquidation.

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NOTICE—Having my business, Mr Jules Tardo is fully invested with my power of attorney. CHARLES A. BARRERE

☞ Persons having business with the Russian Consulate will apply to him, at the Consulate room of the undersigned. A JOHNS, Russian Consul jy6

NOTICE—The business heretofore conducted in the name of DITTRICH & BRADLEY, will from this date be carried on under the firm of DITTRICH & BRADLEY, No 30 Poydras street. (Signed) R DITTRICH, F C BRADLEY. New Orleans, June 1st, 1844.

RECEIVED by the undersigned, and for sale wholesale and retail,—received by ship Levant, from Havre: Fancy rose furniture calicoes, assorted patterns for dresses, with borders and bandanas, black Silks, 6 4 thread, black crape. Well assorted by the cases, for sale by JOHN R SHAW & Co, 24 Poydras st

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FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES:

HENRY CLAY.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

THEODORE FRELINGHUYSEN

FOR ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

First District	JACQUES TOUTANT
Second District	ZENON CAVELIER.
Third District	GEORGE S. GIBBON
Fourth District	LAFAYETTE SAUNDERS
Fifth District	JACQUES DUPRE.
Sixth District	EDWARD SPARROW.

NEW-ORLEANS:
FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 16, 1844.

KENTUCKY.

By the steamer *Uncle Sam* we received Louisville papers of the 8th inst. They do not add much to our accounts given two days ago. The *Journal* estimates Owsley's majority at 10,000 or 12,000. Butler runs ahead of his party vote in every county. We have full or partial returns from one third of the State, which we subjoin:

	Owsley.	Butler.
Louisville city, complete,	2186	1519
Jefferson, "	200 majority.	
Oldham, 2d day,		47 majority
Bourbon, "	650	251
Nelson, in part,	464 maj.	
Boone, 2d day,	200 "	
Gallatin, in part,		9 maj.
Franklin, 2d day,	64	
Fayette, "	496	
Jessamine, in part,	75	148
Clark, "	456	
Montgomery, in part,	59	
Pulaski, 1st day,		9
Fleming, in part,	320	
Boyle, "	212	
Mercer, "		287
Lincoln, "	358	
Anderson, 1st day,		248
Washington, in part,	174	
Daviess, "	68	
Hancock, "	30	
Meade, "	200	
Shelby, 1st day,	552	
Woodford, "	250	
Spencer, in part,		14
Bracken, "	77	
Hardin, 1st day,	150	
Trimble, in full,		200
Jessamine,	658	
Henry, 1st day,		620
Carroll, 2d "		24
Mason, 1st day,	620	
Kenton,	192	
Campbell,		263
Owen,		196
Hardin, in part,	80	
Breckenridge,	248	
Warren,	212	
		3501
	9407	
	3501	
Owsley's majority so far,	5906	

Pilcher, the locofoco candidate for Lieut. Governor is beaten 1,000 votes more than Butler in the above counties.

The Legislature is overwhelming whig in both branches.

NORTH CAROLINA.

We have returns from six more Counties in North Carolina. They exhibit the following result:—

	1842. W.	1842. L.	1844. W.	1844. L.
43 Counties	23,149	22,261	21,092	22,275
Davidson	1,220	484	911	656
Iredell	1,479	292	1,527	379
Lenoir	216	377		150 m.
Nash	89	765		7 m.
Person	310	345		134 m.
Stokes	1,129	1,130	1,105	1,165
	27,592	26,824	24,641	25,662
	27,592		24,641	
	942		1,021	
			942	
Locofoco gain in 49 counties			79	

The Legislature stands as before. The Whigs have overcome the Locofoco majority of last year, and will have a majority of from 15 to 25 on joint ballot.

INDIANA

The following from the Louisville *Journal*, looks well. The Evansville *Journal* claims a gain of eleven whigs and a loss of four—being a net gain of seven members in the counties heard from. If the be so, the locofoco majority of last year is already overcome:—*News serrons.*

INDIANA ELECTIONS.—Floyd county has gone for the whigs. They have elected the Representative to the Legislature, Probate Judge, Commissioner, and Recorder of the county. Thus a what they were firing guns for on Monday night.

In Harrison county, the whig victory is complete.—The majority is about 200.

Washington county, which was supposed to be locofoco, has, it is said, given a whig majority of about 100.

In Evansville, the whig majority is said to be 152.—Fine county not heard from.

The passengers on the steamer Fawn board at Rockport that two whigs are elected to the Legislature in Spencer County.

We heard that Clark county has gone for the whigs by a small majority.

Jefferson county, in which Madison is situated, has elected the whole whig ticket by a majority of about 200. In that county the whigs have gained a Senator and Representative since last year.

Decatur county has elected a full whig ticket.

Henry county, hitherto locofoco, has elected a whig Senator, and probably a whig Representative.

Hartshorne county has elected a whig member of the Legislature—a whig gain.

Jennings county has elected a full whig ticket.

Switzerland county has elected a whig Senator over the infamous Kelso, and a locofoco representative. The county is considered certain for the whigs.

Dearborn and Ohio counties have gone for the locofocos by their usual majorities.

These returns excite the most glowing expectations of a glorious triumph on the part of the Indiana whigs.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

CRIMINAL COURT.—The Grand Jury met yesterday, and found true bills against Peter Noonly, for murder; Luke Thevenin, alias for murder; James Tootle, for reviving a slave; Patrick M. Foley, for uttering a false promissory note; Elias Chick, for stabbing with intent to kill; Antonio de la Cruz, for a like offence.

Peter Noonly, James Tootle, Patrick M. Foley, Elias Chick and Antonio de la Cruz, were afterwards severally arraigned and pleaded not guilty to their indictments.

The Grand Jury ignored a bill against Thomas Evans, for passing counterfeit money, and he was discharged.

To-morrow, Judge Canonge will give his decision on the motion for a new trial in the case of D. T. Adams.

☞ John McCall, who was arrested on Wednesday, in the Third Municipality, by officer Evans, of the Second Municipality police, charged with being concerned in the robbery at Mr. Palfrey's store, in Carondelet street, a short time ago, and in whose possession a pistol was found, part of the property stolen, and John Louis Debellis, who was arrested on the same day, charged with receiving some of the property stolen from Mr. Palfrey's store, have been remanded by acting Recorder Caldwell, until to-morrow, for further examination.

☞ Jane Scott and Catherine Mitchell, got drunk on Wednesday evening, lay down in the street to sleep, were taken off to the First Municipality watchouse, in hand-barrows, being unable to pedestrianize, and yesterday morning were ordered by Recorder Genois to undergo off to the workhouse, where they will remain for thirty days to come, experimenting on the cold water system.

☞ Acting Recorder Caldwell, has offered a reward of $500 for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who set fire to Banks' Arcade, on Monday last.

☞ We are glad to see that Recorder Genois has adopted energetic measures to free the residents in the First Municipality from an abominable nuisance, which has prevailed for some time past to a degree which has been a source of great annoyance. We refer to the unlawful assemblages of negroes at late hours of the night in cabarets and other places "where darkness most do congregate." On Sunday night forty-five negroes were arrested for being engaged in unlawful assemblages, for being out without passes, &c.

☞ We trust Recorder Genois will persevere in his attempts to restrain the negro population who infest the streets at night, to the great annoyance of respectable citizens; and also in punishing any cabaret keeper or other person who may connive with negroes in doing anything contrary to the municipal regulations, as he will assuredly be supported in such a course.

THE IRON steamers, &c. on 22 miles of the Nashville Railroad were sold yesterday at public auction for the sum of $34,600. The three engines, cars and goods brought 10,000, and the 9 slaves attached to them $8,670—total $53,580. The sale was made on account of the interest held by the state in the Nashville Railroad.

THE Writs of the 5th Congressional District, in New York, comprising part of the city, had a splendid gathering on the 5th inst. They were addressed by Mr. Overseer of the.

BEAUTIFUL.—We find the following elegant extract in the columns of a late London Times:—

"Campbell's to move; his sister, Rogers, lives. They Hope departs, while Memory survives!"

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

JACKSON, August 12th 1844.

The Convention assembled at 10 o'clock. The President announced that he appointed on the committee to amend the preamble of the Constitution, so as to include the Florida parishes, Messrs. Voorhies, Claiborne, and Eric, and on the committee to enquire into the means of diffusing education and encouraging literature, Messrs. Mayo, Eustis, Winchester, King, and Scott of Feliciana.

Mr. Mayo moved to reconsider the vote taken on the compensation to be allowed the Printer to the Convention. The motion was lost.

Mr. Downs, in behalf of the Committee on the Legislative Department, asked to be permitted to employ a clerk. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Leonard offered a resolution providing that temporary substitutes be appointed for the public officers, and especially Judges, who may be members of the Convention, to wit: Justices of the Peace for Parish Judges, and Parish Judges for District Judges.

Mr. Chinn contended that the Convention had no right to act upon the motion.

Mr. Lewis maintained a similar view.

Mr. Leonard observed that the proposed measure was but temporary, and he thought that the citizens of his parish, as well as of those parishes represented in the Convention by Parish Judges, had a right to the administration of justice. The resolution was rejected.

Mr. Sellers moved to amend the resolution adopted yesterday, calling for certain information, so as to include the number of Electors according to the last census, so that representation might be equitably proportioned.

Mr. Preston moved that the number of votes, by parishes, cast at the recent election, should be laid before the Convention. This motion was amended by Mr. Benjamin so as to require a statement of the votes polled both at the last and preceding elections. Adopted.

A proposition was submitted to the Convention from the Concordia Intelligencer, offering to publish the proceedings of the Convention, and furnish 100 copies of each number during the session, for the use of the delegates, for the sum of $240. The proposition was laid indefinitely on the table.

Mr. Cade laid before the Convention a petition from the inhabitants of Lafayette, the reading of which excited universal laughter. It is so comical that I have taken the trouble to transcribe it.

We the undersigned inhabitants of the Parish of Lafayette, by these presents make known to your honorable body, that the undersigned already, being in danger, had lead to believe that each Hon. member of both political parties that constitute your honorable body, are not only replete with the "milk of human kindness" but have proffered patriotism, benevolence, love of equal rights, equal privileges, public good, and social justice, invite us to test your sincerity, by making your proffered patriotism, benevolence, love of equal rights, equal privileges, public good, and social justice, invite us to test your sincerity, by making your proffered patriotism, and grant our constitution an Alpha and Omega Court of Equity—in other words, a referee court of two to then perfect, in that court, the adjustment of all disputes, grounds of controversy, or civil suits that may arise between the citizens of this Commonwealth; and send referee court to be clothed, endowed, and empowered with all the authority appertaining to a Court of Chancery in a civil jurisprudence, and that the Clerk of the District Court in each Parish, do keep a correct register of all decisions or award of said court of equity.

By placing this holy item to your Civil Code, you would as we conceive, not only realize our Constitution to a star of the first brilliancy and magnitude in the galaxy of Constitutions, but all good sons of all nations could behold, and worship, and hymn your praise, but you would win immortal distinction to your name, inscribed on the brazen tablet of fame—place your name conspicuous as the rolling orb above—raise the affections, captivate the conscience and voice of your undersigned constituents.

In testimony forthwith we sign our names.

Matthew Creighton and one hundred and twenty-four others.

The petition was laid indefinitely on the table.

Mr. Ratliff presented a resolution authorizing the Treasurer to pay $1000, on account to Mr. J. A. Keily, Printer to the Convention.

Upon this motion a tedious discussion arose. Several of the more violent locofoco members, at the head of which was Pierre Soulé argued warmly against the motion, contending that the Convention had no right to pay money in advance, that the work might be unfaithfully performed, that the Printer was poor, it was no fault of the Convention, &c. &c. Messrs Marigny, Ratliff and Penn, greatly to their credit, supported the motion. Mr. Penn maintained that the contract was signed and sealed, and that the Convention, in allowing $1000, did not even liquidate the debt due the Printer. Mr. Soulé's trade did not avail him much, and Mr. Ratliff's motion was adopted. M.

P. S.—You have doubtless learned the nomination of Mr. Alexander Declozet for the State Senate vice Morse resigned. Mr. Moulton is his opponent. Both, and John are popular and the contest will be close.—The best informed persons, however, tell me there is little doubt of Declozet's election. The district gave Bordelon a handsome majority in July.

JACKSON, August 15th, 1844.

Mr Benjamin moved a reconsideration of the vote taken yesterday on the proposal of the Editors of the Concordia Intelligencer. The Convention refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr Spilane, the committee resumed the consideration of the Legislative contingent clause.

The report of the majority and minority of the committee, signed by Messrs Mc'G Bryan declared that the act of the ratifying the parish of Vermilion was unconstitutional, inasmuch as it divided representation contrary to the provisions of the Constitution. He called attention to the number of votes received by himself and Mr Wilcoxon at the recent contest, and protested beforehand against the annulling of the election.

Mr. Spilane moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Mr. Rosellius opposed the motion. The conclusions of the committee openly violated in his opinion the principles of the Constitution. That instrument was the supreme law, paramount to all acts and edicts. Did not the Constitution give to the Legislature the right to divide parishes according to the exigencies of the case. This was inconsistently proven by the language of the Constitution which Mr R. cited. The law dividing the parish of Lafayette did nothing more than create two electoral districts.

In view of these facts discussion was futile, for the moment such division was legally effected, the consequences which ensued were entirely legal and constitutional. The division could not have been effected for one object and not effected for another. It was impossible to admit that the division would be valid in regard to the representation in the Legislature, and invalid as respects delegates to the Convention. Such a position was untenable and absurd.

After having quoted the 7th section of the Constitution, which provides the mode of amending that instrument, Mr Rosellius continued. The law ordering the election of delegates to the Convention allowed two delegates to the parish of Lafayette, which, at the time, was entirely just and proper, inasmuch as the parish of Lafayette was entitled to two representatives in the Legislature—delegates and representatives being chosen in the same proportion. But when subsequently, the division of this parish was effected, when the parish of Lafayette became entitled to but one representative, and the parish of Vermilion (the new parish created out of Lafayette) to another, the representation of Lafayette must necessarily have the same proportion according to the formal language of the Constitution. Every one must feel that the parish of Vermilion became entitled to a representative in the Legislature, she had a virtual and indisputable right to the nomination of a delegate to the Convention. Both the letter and spirit of the Constitution sustained this view. It would be an insupicious commencement of the labors of the Convention to trample upon the Constitution.

It had been said that neither the Governor nor Parish Judge directed the election to be held in conformity with the act of division. But how does the validity of an act depend upon the constructions given it by the functionaries charged with its execution. Could a law be rendered invalid because not properly carried into effect by one or more public officers? The only result of executive and judicial negligence would be to annul the election. The Governor's proclamation was issued the 17th of May. He could not have been ignorant that a law existed reducing the representation of Lafayette to one member. How was it then that the Governor allowed two delegates to Lafayette, precisely as if the law had never passed? Can such neglect invalidate a solemn enactment?

After some further remarks, Mr Rosellius moved to annul the election and declare the seat of the member from Lafayette vacant.

The discussion was continued by Messrs. Grymes and Brent in favor of the report of the committee.

The question being taken the report was adopted: yeas 45, nays 28. So Mr O'Bryan was admitted to his seat. On motion of Mr Ratliff, the usual mileage and per diem were allowed Mr O'B.

Several votes voted in favor of the adoption of the report, either because they were captivated by the specious sophistry of Messrs. Grymes and Brent, or because they were not particularly anxious to admit Wilcoxon who is said to be radical in his views. M.

JACKSON, August 14th, 1844.

The Convention was but a short time in session to-day, and the only business transacted was the appropriation of the sum of $400 to the printer for furnishing 500 copies of the Journal of the Convention for 1845. So far as the Convention will have nothing to do until the various committees have reported. Upon letter all the labor before them, and until their investigations have terminated, the Convention has little or no business before it.

There is, however, a preliminary question which will shortly be submitted—I allude to the New Orleans contested election. Although this contest is a miserable pretension from first to last, it is impossible to predict the result, to such an extent have those interested succeeded in arousing party spirit, and awakening acrimonious political hostility in the breasts of the members.

What has been accomplished so far by the Committee may, to a certain extent enable you to judge of the spirit which animates the Convention on this point.—The provisions of the law on the subject of contested elections are plain and positive, and prescribe a limited time for action. None of the indispensable formalities have been fulfilled—a circumstance which of itself ought to quash the contest. The Committee have nevertheless decided to go on with it, under the pretext that the law refers to ordinary elections and not to elections for delegates to the Convention.

A multitude of documents, declarations of the Locofoco Judges, &c., have been gathered together to sustain the pretensions of the contesting parties. In submitting this evidence, according to the most elementary notions of justice, the evidence of the parties whose seats are contested should likewise be admitted. One of the locofoco members