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THE MARIPOSA ACROSS THE BAR.

S. W. Pass, May 21.—The steamship Mariposa, from New York 13th inst., crossed the Bar at 6.30 P. M.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The Hanlon Brothers are announced to commence here to-night the last week of their engagement, during which they will appear nightly with a change of programme until they complete a series of their most extraordinary, daring and startling feats. At the same time the popular variety company will contribute as formerly to the humors and graces of the entertainments.

Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

Lieutenant and Acting Governor Gastinel has issued a proclamation, dated the 20th inst., designed to carry into effect the proclamation of President Johnson appointing the 1st of June as a day of humiliation and prayer in view of the nation's great loss by the death of the late President. The Acting Governor specially recommends as follows:

I do recommend to my fellow citizens, wherever in the State the day of our country may be respected, to close their places of business and to assemble in their respective places of worship, there to unite in the service of Almighty God, in memory of the exalted virtues of the good and great man who has been so suddenly removed from us, and from an event no less solemn than momentous to learn such lessons of wisdom as shall make us a wiser, purer and nobler people.

Commercial Resources of the South After the War.

The St. Louis *Democrat* looks for a speedy recuperation of trade and general enterprise in the south to follow a substantial pacification of the country. Among the elements of this recuperation it thinks the superior quality of American cotton, and the superior soil in the cotton States of the South for raising it, are destined to play the principal part; and that the sceptre, so eagerly grasped at during the past three or four years, by India, Egypt, and other parts of the world, will be restored as of right and without question, to American cotton, to be wielded as of old without a rival claimant. In the words of the *Democrat*:

Nor is the present condition of the South so prostrate and disrupted as many would have us believe. The estimate of cotton awaiting shipment from that section is two millions and a half bales—a pretty good stock to begin the new order of things with. Perhaps the close of disturbances has arrived at too late a day to greatly augment the crop of good cotton for this season; but the advance the next four years will prove nearly as rapid as was the retrogression of the same period. In 1861 the cotton crop, footed up in 1864 comparatively little, as far as statistics give any information on the subject. We notice, however, the Galveston *Bulletin* places the crop of Texas for 1864—for, no doubt, below what it will be shown.

The South is superior to any other section of the European manufacturers, with a few small and effort made during their interruption. The supplies there drawn from Egypt, Brazil, West Indies, Turkey, East Indies, Cuba and Japan. One-third of the cotton-spindles in Great Britain, and the cotton-looms, are to be worked pounds, is estimated worthless on account of its short staple.

Besides cotton, the South has rice, pitch, tar, resin, wood and turpentine, which with the staple already named, give an aggregate of $300,000,000, and of products not needed by that section for consumption.

Taking all this into consideration, with the additional facts that every kind of mechanical labor will immediately be in requisition, for the rebuilding of railroads, the construction of houses, and the many improvements, national and private, imperatively demanded with the earliest moment, it must be apparent that a brief period only is necessary to open to the Southern people of as great prosperity as they have ever known heretofore.

Intimation of Government Interference in the Emigration Movement to Mexico.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Ledger* (Conservative Republican) writes under a recent date:

If the Mexican "emigration" project gains much further headway, the Government will interfere and put it down, threatening penalties against those who refuse to obey its dictates. What the Emperor Napoleon has done thus far in Mexico, has been done without any opposition from the Government — without a word of rebuke, but rather with a spirit of acquiescence on our part — and though such would probably not have been the case had not our civil war been in progress, the President will, nevertheless, act in a perfectly fair manner toward Napoleon now that our hands are free, and meet him, if at all, with the honorable weapons of diplomacy. It may be doubtful, however, whether any immediate attention will be given to the subject, outside of forbidding buccaneering expeditions from this country. This, it is felt, must be done to prevent the possibility of unpleasant relations with France, and, at the same time, maintain our neutral position.

Such a position Mr. Seward declared to be our proper course more than a year since, and it is not likely it will be departed from even in the winking at of expeditions which might or might not be transformed into armies on their arrival upon Mexican soil.

Unfortunately for us, the Empire of Maximilian is an heir from age to age, and Juarez with a few over the most important part of the country, and for aught we can see the people acknowledge its power. Mr. Seward has declared that the people were the rightful arbiters upon the question, and it is yet to appear that the majority desire any change in the Government that is now established over them.

One thing is certain, the country has done much toward placing an Austrian Prince upon the throne of Mexico, and the proof could be adduced to show that many have actually committed to the new monarchy in all save the reception of an accredited Minister therefrom.

Privately, the President is known to be in favor of the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine upon this continent, but what if he finds, on assuming the reins of office, that his only case which calls for his action is beyond his immediate control? He must needs accept the circumstances as he finds them and await the future in hope.

The Course of Gold and Prices.

(From the New York Commercial Advertiser.)

The future course of the Money market is likely to be more affected by the course of prices than is, perhaps, generally supposed. As yet, the prices of commodities have not declined in proportion to the fall in the premium on Gold. On an average, the prices of raw produce—cotton, owing to their direct adjustment to the foreign markets, are the first among commodities to follow the fluctuations in Gold — are materially above their value in Gold at the beginning of the year.

On manufactured articles the decline is still less, compared with the reduction of the Gold premium; and on those articles, the production of which involves the largest cost of labor, the decline is comparatively nominal. The difference between produce and manufactures arises chiefly from the fact that the raw materials have not been generally reduced, so that manufacturers can afford to reduce the prices of their products only as fast as the cost of their raw materials has been reduced. The reduced cost of raw produce, and the increase of laborers by emigration, and the disbandment of the armies in the field, however, precipitate an early reduction of wages, the result of which will be a general and material decline in the prices of all manufactured products. In the meantime, the competition of foreign markets will have reduced the prices of produce to a normal Gold value. This process is now in course of operation; and, in proportion as it progresses, it must tend to increase the supply of Money, inasmuch as it largely reduces the aggregate amount of the exchanges effected through Money or its representative.

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CLOTHING, &c., AT REDUCED PRICES.—It is not often that clothing can be bought at retail from a wholesale stock at wholesale prices. This rare opportunity is offered at the establishment of Thos. C. Payan, 72 Canal street, where persons desirous of articles, in the clothing and furnishing lines at extremely low prices, and in style and season, are invited to call and judge for themselves.

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Gen. Sherman's Idea of the Death of Slavery and the Recognition of Existing State Governments.

The subjoined letter goes to explain in what spirit Gen. Sherman was disposed to recognize existing State Governments in his basis of agreement with Gen. Johnston, and with what reservation he was willing to guarantee rights of person and property to the South. The latter was written pending the reference of the basis to the consideration of the authorities at Washington before incorporating in more specific form its civil features in a final convention.

Headq'rs Military Division of the Missis-sippi in the Field,
Raleigh, N. C., April 21, 1865.

General J. E. Johnston, Commanding Confederate Army:

GENERAL—I send you a letter for General Wilson, which, I send by telegraph or courier, will check his career. He may mistrust the telegraph, therefore better send the original, for he cannot mistake my handwriting, with which he is familiar. He seems to have his blood up, and will be hard to hold. If he can buy corn, fodder, and rations down about Fort Valley, it will obviate the necessity of his going up to Rome or Dalton.

It is reported to me from Cairo that Mobile is in our possession, but it is not minute or official.

General Baker sent in to me, wanting to surrender his command, on the theory that the whole confederate army was surrendered. I explained to him, or his staff officer, the exact truth, and left him to act as he thought proper. He seems to have disbanded his men, deported with their arms about twenty miles from here, and himself awaits your action. I will not hold him, his men, or arms subject to any condition other than the final one we may agree on.

I shall look for Major Hitchcock back from Washington on Wednesday and shall promptly notify you of the result. By the action of General Weitzel in relation to the Virginia Legislature, I feel certain we will have no trouble on the score of recognizing existing State Governments. It may be the lawyers will want us to define more minutely what is meant by the guarantees of rights of person and property. It may be contented that a compact for all of "vacant and abandoned plantations I want you would talk to the best men you have on these points and, if possible, let us in our final convention make these points so clear as to leave no room for angry controversy.

I believe if the South would simply and publicly declare, what we all feel, that slavery is dead, that you would immediately see a great change in the temper that would soon efface the ravages of the past four years of war. You would remain in the South and afford you abundance of cheap labor, which otherwise will be driven away, and it will save the country the second expense which has kept its sail in not water for fifty years.

Although, strictly speaking, this is no subject of a military convention, yet I am honestly convinced that our simple declaration of a result will be accepted as good law everywhere. Of course I have not a single word from Washington on this or any other point of our agreement, but I know the effect of such a step by us will be universally accepted.

I am, with great respect, your obedient servant.

W. T. SHERMAN,
Maj Gen U. S. A.

The Sherman and Johnston Correspondence.

REACTION IN GEN. SHERMAN'S FAVOR.

(From the Cincinnati Commercial, 17.)

The letters and dispatches that passed between Generals Sherman and Johnston during their negotiations concerning the surrender of the army of the latter, will be found on our first page. This correspondence throws a good deal of light upon the action taken by the great Sherman, and will favorably affect public opinion toward that officer. In the first place, it appears that the call for the reassembling of the Legislature of the State of Virginia, was referred for action to Gen. Weitzel. He knew that had been done with the consent and, indirectly, upon the order of President Lincoln, and he looked upon it as "showing that in the South the civil authorities are acknowledged and invited to resume their lawful functions." Therefore, in the point of his memorandum of a basis of agreement with Johnston concerning this matter, General Sherman supposed himself to be acting in accordance with the settled policy of the Government.

As to the slavery question, General Sherman wrote to Johnston that he thought the thing to be done by us now was to stop all military action, declare, what we all feel, that slavery is dead." This does not indicate that the General thought of re-establishing slavery. He spoke, as to the possible misconstruction of the guarantee of rights of persons and property, saying: "It may be construed into a compact for us to undo the past as to the rights of slave and leave of plantations on the Mississippi, of vacant and abandoned plantations."

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Internal Revenue Decisions Regarding Owners of City Property.

Owners of real property will find interested in the new engraving decisions under the Internal Revenue act:

Treasury Department,
Office of Internal Revenue,
Washington, April 29, 1865.

SIR—Your letters of April 17 and 22, in regard to deduction for taxes, are received.

I reply, that all income taxes paid to 18 June proper deductions from the rent of that year.

Assessments made by the city authorities on the layin g out or grading of streets, the construction of walks, sewers, &c., may be deducted from rents for the year in which the assessments are made.

Taxes on the property within the corporate limits are laid only upon the owners of property chargeable with the tax by the city authorities, and no deduction can be allowed. All town and county taxes, including taxes assessed for roads, &c., may be deducted.

Very respectfully,
E. A. ROLLINS,
Deputy Commissioner.

Treasury Department, Office of Internal Revenue,
Washington, May 11th, 1865.

SIR—Your letter of May 4th in regard to deductions from income is received. Firstly that should be included in the valuation of property, and be not entitled to deduct repairs, taxes, insurance and interest on incumbrances on such property from the rents which it may have produced income, and so that the same regulations may govern all property alike.

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

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The Filibusters.

The Mexican emigrantic scheme is growing bolder, and recruiting is openly conducted in New York. The Government will soon be called upon to act in the matter. It is the only one way in which it can honorably act, and that is to put an end to filibustering. The country has been disgraced enough in previous attempts of this kind, smarting always from the South, but always finding in New York sympathizers who would do nothing for the laws or the honor of the country, so long as they could sell damaged arms and gunpowder to the filibusters. New York is the seat of this new scheme of emigration. The lands are offered by the plantations on the Mississippi, of vacant and abandoned plantations.

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FROM OUR SUNDAY EDITION.

Vocal and Dramatic Benefit of Jewish Widows and Orphans.

We acknowledge a polite invitation to a grand vocal and instrumental concert and dramatic entertainment for the above worthy purpose, to be given on the evening of the 22d at the Opera House, at the second anniversary of the "*Deutsche Company*" of New Orleans. The programme is rich and varied, and the occasion promises an abundance of pleasant and satisfactory results.

(From the Times, last evening.)

Progress of the Telegraph Northward.

[The following communication did not come to hand until this morning.—*Ed. Times.*]

Headquarters U. S. Military Telegraph,
Military Division of West Mississippi,
New Orleans, May 19, 1865.

To the Editor of the N. O. Times—The wires are now working to Memphis, Tenn., and intermediate points, via Holly Springs and Grand Junction; to Senatobia, via Granada, to Corinth and Eastport, via Meridian, and will probably be opened to Nashville and Louisville by that route to-day, also to Vicksburg, Miss., via Jackson. Lines are making to the East, via Meridian, Montgomery, Opelika, Augusta, Richmond and Washington City, and to Mobile, via Jackson and Meridian.

Commercial business and long news reports cannot be transmitted as promptly as in former times at present, owing to the large amount of military and other Government business, which has precedence at all times.

Yours, truly,
W. G. FULLER,
Capt. and A. Q. M. Superintendent.

Order Permitting Certain Paroled Prisoners to go to their homes in Loyal States on Taking the Amnesty Oath.

Headquarters Dept of the Gulf,
New Orleans, La., May 20th, 1865.

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Internal Revenue Decisions Regarding Owners of City Property.

Owners of real property will find interested in the new engraving decisions under the Internal Revenue act:

Treasury Department,
Office of Internal Revenue,
Washington, April 29, 1865.

SIR—Your letters of April 17 and 22, in regard to deduction for taxes, are received.

I reply, that all income taxes paid to 18 June proper deductions from the rent of that year.

Assessments made by the city authorities on the layin g out or grading of streets, the construction of walks, sewers, &c., may be deducted from rents for the year in which the assessments are made.

Taxes on the property within the corporate limits are laid only upon the owners of property chargeable with the tax by the city authorities, and no deduction can be allowed. All town and county taxes, including taxes assessed for roads, &c., may be deducted.

Very respectfully,
E. A. ROLLINS,
Deputy Commissioner.

Treasury Department, Office of Internal Revenue,
Washington, May 11th, 1865.

SIR—Your letter of May 4th in regard to deductions from income is received. Firstly that should be included in the valuation of property, and be not entitled to deduct repairs, taxes, insurance and interest on incumbrances on such property from the rents which it may have produced income, and so that the same regulations may govern all property alike.

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Further from the Trans-Mississippi.

DIVIDED COUNCILS REGARDING A SURRENDER

Shelby's Missouri Troops Doubtful as to Whether they Can Go Home if Paroled.

LARGE AMOUNT OF COTTON EXPECTED FROM RED RIVER, &c.

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

A Case of Thuggery.—Night before last, about 1 A. M., the foreman of the French department of the *Bee*, an old man between sixty and seventy, was attacked while returning home and knocked down by a fellow on the head with a stick. He was walking on the railroad track along Canal, and was so far upon *Der* tegay street, when he saw five or six persons emerge from the last street and cross Canal. Supposing there was no danger to fear from these men while only a block from the barracks at the corner of Claiborne street, he pursued quietly on his course. But hardly had he traversed a quarter of the block when he heard rapid footsteps behind him, and at the moment of turning received the blow. Luckily the whizzing of a stick in the air and fell beneath a terrible blow on the head. He uttered a cry for help, and was overtaken by the sound of approaching footsteps, fled without searching him. After lying stunned some minutes, he was able with the aid of a gentleman, who happened to be passing with a lady, to regain his feet and reach his house a short distance from the spot.

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Desperate.—Colonel Geo. Washington was arrested on the charge of having attempted to kill Delia Harris, colored, with a dangerous weapon, viz.: with clothing. It seems he forced the 29th N. Y. colored infantry, and with tearing the clothes of the officers. The rupture of the man was a arduous affair and the prisoner refused considerably to part with clothing. Consigned to the station house almost in a state of nature.

Supposed Appoplexy.—A colored woman named Carol ne, fell suddenly dead in the house No. 42 Toad, near Bienville street. The Coroner will report on the case.

It has been proved that the increase of lunacy in France has kept pace with the augmentation of the revenue from playing cards. From the year 1812 to 1832 that tax produced 28,000,000, and the lunatic asylums of the country contained 9,000 patients. Since that period the tax now reached the sum of 180,000,000, and there are no less than 45,000 paralytic and lunatic patients in the various hospitals devoted to their accommodation. This parallel has been drawn by M. Jolly and laid before the Academy of Science. The last words of his speech on that occasion were startling as they also could tell of sensational smoking, and young boys, to whom this pernicious practice can not yet become second nature, would do well to refrain, are it be too late, on the frightful warning the above statistics contain, as well as on M. Jolly's words. He says: "The immoderate use of tobacco, and more especially of the vile practice of sweetness in the brain and to the spinal marrow which causes madness."

(From the Cincinnati Commercial.)

Who Killed Tecumseh!

A Parody on "Rooster Robin."—A call in verse.

BY A SUMNER.

Who killed Tecumseh?
I dispatched him said Stanton,
For I commissioned to end you,
And immediately sent Grant on;
I killed Tecumseh.

Who saw him die?
"I," says the sly copperhead;
For soon as out we came no eye
That he is dead, he is dead,
You can't tell Tecumseh.

Who dug his grave?
For that and Halleck I had an itch,
I saw an opening, and I tried to pitch
Tecumseh into the rebs' last ditch.
I dug his grave.

Who toll'd his knell?
By brave Johnson the Indian fell,
But the President knows full well
He can not steal the glory
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COLUMBUS, May 5, 18 A.

Epitaph

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James Boyd,
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