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THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 24.

The Northern Mail failed yesterday from beyond Mobile.

FINANCIAL REFORM.

Our cotemporary of the *True Delta* has some sensible and timely reflections in its issue of yesterday, on the folly of attempting, by arbitrary rates of interest, to hamper and restrict monetary operations; and very properly denounces as impolitic, senseless, and unnecessary all legislative enactments against what is styled usury. The views of the *True Delta* meet our hearty concurrence. The usury laws are the relics of an age in which the elementary principles of political economy were completely unknown, or wholly misunderstood; yet so perverse and inveterate are even statesmen in clinging to antiquated error, that few nations have had the boldness to efface from their statutes those penal enactments against usury which are everywhere secretly evaded or openly violated. Louisiana stands alone—as we believe—in its manly and judicious legislation in reference to this subject. Here there is no limit to the rate of interest which the money-lender may demand, on a specific contract. The merchant who needs great accommodation, and is willing to pay at the rate of ten, twenty, or forty per cent. per annum, cannot plead usury in offset of the claim of his creditor. The only advantage conceded to him is the fair and equitable proviso that from the moment the note he has signed becomes due, and remains unpaid, the further interest accruing on the same shall not exceed eight per cent. The reasons for this limitation are strikingly obvious. A man may borrow a thousand dollars at three months, and at two per cent. a month interest, with every reasonable expectation of paying; yet, in consequence of an unforeseen revulsion such as we now experience, he may be utterly unable to prevent his note from going to protest. The liquidation of his business may require a year or more. It would, therefore, be supremely unjust and tyrannical to compel the debtor to obligate himself in the same high rate of interest which he contracted for a fixed period. The law wisely and prudently interposes in such cases, and, without modifying the original contract, circumscribes the prospective interest within the highest conventional rate.

We share, too, in the opinion of our cotemporary when it declares, in favor of allowing banks to regulate loans according to their ideas of business, and the security which borrowers may have it in their power to offer. This view was endorsed and advocated in the recent message of the Governor of South Carolina to the Legislature of that State. It stands upon broad general principles. Banking involves necessarily the liberty to lend money upon interest. This is, indeed, in our country, the chief attribute of the banks. Why should they be fettered by despotic enactments from which individuals are exempt? In times of pressure the capitalist will exact twenty or thirty per cent. per annum; but the bank must not demand more than six per cent. for short paper, and eight per cent. for long. How does this stringent rule operate? Whenever money is excessively tight the banks cease to discount freely. They cannot afford a risk, because they have no power to enhance the rate, and must, as a means of self-protection, inexorably refuse all but first-class, undoubted paper. The outside capitalist, knowing the effect of this principle, puts on an additional per centage, and thus the community are the direct sufferers, for they must get accommodation on the streets, being wholly unable to obtain it from the banks. Another phase of this iron law is worth noting. Banks endeavor reasonably, naturally and properly to make money. Their ordinary sphere of action is by discounts, but in seasons like the present they can compass their ends in a manner infinitely more profitable by dealing in exchange. Why should the banks content themselves with one-half of one per cent. per month, by negotiating paper, when by purchasing exchange, both foreign and domestic, they can more than double their profits? In ordinary times the ruling rates of exchange do not permit such advantageous transactions; but unfortunately, at the very period when bank accommodations are most sorely needed, a richer and finer field for money-making is opened to these institutions. It is clear that if the banks were allowed to regulate their loans by the usual considerations—within certain just limits—they would be glad to discount paper to any extent compatible with their own solvency and safety. Suppose one month ago the banks had been empowered to discount at a rate somewhat commensurate with the condition of the money market. How many thousands of dollars would have been saved to the merchants who were paying frightful rates for temporary outside accommodation? How much sooner would confidence have revived! Nay, even now, did the banks enjoy the privilege in question, the market would be vastly relieved, and credit would not be as it is for the nonce—annihilated.

These considerations deserve the attention of our law-makers, and we are glad that a capable and influential journal has not shrunk from the responsibility of advocating wholesome reform.

The Daily News.—This is the title of a neat little paper started on the cash principle by Mr. E. C. Wharton, who is already favorably known in the editorial profession. The *News* will be delivered to subscribers at ten cents per week, or five dollars per annum. Mr. Wharton is in every way qualified to conduct an interesting and sprightly paper. He has our cordial welcome and sincere wishes for his success.

Southern Pacific Railroad.—We publish in to-day's paper the report of the President of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company to the stockholders. It is an important document, and we recommend its perusal to our readers.

Rich Holiday Presents.—A large and magnificent assortment of fancy goods of the choicest and most elegant patterns is now offered for sale at Guion's, No. 29 St. Charles street, under the Verandah. These articles have been personally selected by the proprietor in the principal great marts of Europe, and are offered at prices that cannot fail to satisfy purchasers. Those who wish to buy rare and beautiful holiday presents of every variety and of exquisite workmanship, would do well to give Mr. Guion a call, and our word for it they will not be disappointed.

Book and Job Binding.—We invite attention to the card of Mr. A. J. Cortissoz, No. 27 Camp street. Mr. C. is a young man of industry and intelligence, and is fully capable of executing satisfactorily any work entrusted to him.

From Kansas.—Dates from Lecompton to the 10th inst. have been received at St. Louis. At the last accounts nothing had been done in the Territorial Legislature to carry out the recommendation of acting Governor Stanton, to enact a law directing an election to be held on the 21st inst., in which the people shall be authorized to vote for the Constitution in either of the forms presented by the Convention, and also against that Constitution in both forms. The two first days were occupied in the organization of the respective bodies. On the third day little else was done than to appoint committees and for the members to "vote" themselves little conveniences," this delay being caused by the fact that various contested election cases were to be decided. The committees went into caucus on the subject.

The Freesoil candidates from Leavenworth county have been admitted to the House, and the Democrats ousted.

The Democratic Convention met at Lecompton, and made nominations for State officers. John Calhoun was nominated by acclamation for Governor of Kansas, but he declined to accept, and Frank Marshall was nominated in his stead. W. G. Mathias, of Leavenworth, received the nomination for Lieutenant-Governor, and Mr. Carr, of Atchison county, for Congress. The District Attorney, Weir, declined the nomination for Congress.

Cheer Up.—How many care-worn faces do we meet with every day; and the secret grief which graves the lines upon the face no stranger can guess at. We may, however, in most such cases reasonably suspect that they are to be ascribed to narrow means.—Who can be happy when his purse is low? Who can wear a smiling brow when his heart is heavy and his pocket empty? There are few such philosophers in the world. It is on this account that we naturally call in the aid of the goddess Fortune, whose prime ministers are Messrs. B. Swan & Co., of Augusta, Geo., who furnish to every applicant, for ten, five or two dollars and a half, a whole, half, or quarter ticket in their authorized State lotteries, one of which draws every Saturday. If you have lost heart and hope, cheer up and try your luck by an investment.—*New York Sunday Atlas.*

By Telegraph.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

WASHINGTON NEWS.

UTAH AFFAIRS.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Mr. Warren, of Arkansas, offered a preamble and resolutions, requiring the Committee on Territories to report on the propriety of excluding the delegate from Utah from his seat, on the ground that the Territory was morally and legally in open rebellion against the United States government.

Mr. Banks thought the preamble was not a question of privilege.

Mr. Bocock said that Congress could not declare a State or Territory in a condition of moral rebellion.

KANSAS NEWS.

THE CALHOUN CONVENTION.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—The *Democrat* says that the Legislature of Kansas has passed an act submitting the Calhoun Convention to the people, on the 5th of January, in three forms, viz: "For the Constitution with slavery," "for the Constitution without slavery," and "against the Constitution."

AT THE POLLS.

Stringent measures are adopted for the watching of the polls.

ANOTHER MURDER.

On the 21st, at Doniphan, a free State man named Latham was murdered.

JIM LANE.

The report that Gen. Jim Lane had been shot, turns out to be false.

STANTON'S VETOES.

Stanton has vetoed the Militia and other obnoxious bills.

MINISTER MASON RESIGNS—HE COMPLAINS OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

New York, Dec. 23.—The Washington correspondent of the *Times* says that the President has received Mason's letter of resignation as Minister of France.

Mason complains bitterly of the nonfulfillment of promises by Mr. Buchanan. The letter is long and very sharp.

DEPARTURE OF THE EUROPA.

New York, Dec. 23.—The steamship *Europa* sailed for Liverpool to-day, with over $2,250,000 in specie.

NAVAL.

New York, Dec. 23.—The *Saranac* was at the Barbadoes on the 8th, coaling.

The *Cyane* left Cape Haytien on the 3d for Port-au-Prince.

FILIBUSTERS.

New York, Dec. 23.—The bark *Aliah*—yesterday reported as a slaver—had fifty passengers for Nicaragua, with filibuster intentions. She was seized on information from the Department of State at Washington.

EASTERN MAIL.

Mobile, Dec. 23.—The Eastern mail has arrived, bringing New York dates to the 17th inst.

ALABAMA RIVERS.

Mobile, Dec. 23.—The rivers are still very high. The *Bigbee* and *Black Warrior* are still out of their banks.

STEAMBOATS COMING.

Vicksburg, Dec. 23.—The D. G. Taylor passed down at 7, and the Iowa at 8 last evening, the Argyle at 8, the Gladiator at 6, the Lewis Whiteman at 7, the Pacific and Alex. Scott at 9 this morning.

We perceive with profound regret, by a notice in the columns of the Jefferson City *Journal*, that Dr. T. B. Walker, the accomplished editor of that sheet, is suffering from severe illness so as to be disabled from the performance of his duties. We tender him our heartfelt sympathies, with a fervent hope that he may soon be restored to perfect health.

Splendid Italian Statuary, Vases, &c.—N. Vignie will sell, this day, at 10½ o'clock, precisely, at No. 53 St. Charles street, second story, a large and splendid invoice of real and superior Italian marble and alabaster statuary, groups, &c.; a fine collection of works of fine art, &c.; a splendid assortment of Grecian and Roman, Etruscan; Hebe and Gothic vases; large Roman tazzas, card receivers. The whole skillfully carved, and selected expressly by the importer, Signor G. B. Pandolfini, for this city. Catalogues will be delivered at and before the sale. The sale, as usual, is without any reserve. Persons wishing to procure elegant ornaments are invited to attend the sale.

Catalogues for the sale of Mygatt's bookstore, No. 40 Camp street, are ready for delivery. Apply at the Sheriff's office.

The annexed forcible and truthful article from the Charleston *Mercury* should command general attention at the South:

The Washington Union and Douglas.—The Washington *Union*, in an able editorial four columns and a half long, reviews the main position of Senator Douglas, opposing the policy of the administration of admitting Kansas as a State into the Union with the Constitution lately adopted by the people of Kansas in Convention. If it was an affair of argument, Senator Douglas stands refuted and self convicted; but we think that it is hardly fair to treat Senator Douglas's course as the result of reason or principle. Neither reason nor principle has any thing to do with it. He is not so silly as not to understand the shallowness of his assumptions, and the sophistries of his arguments, to justify his course. These are thrown out rather as signals of his determination than as veils to hide his departure from integrity. Experience has taught him that in this matter of slavery the people of the North are totally unamenable to reason. He tried popular sovereignty and democracy as grounds upon which justice might be conceded to the South. They failed utterly, as the late Presidential election showed, even in his own State, to protect their adherents. And now when, by the course of the Convention in Kansas, it was plain that Kansas might become a slave State, he saw that the chief author of the Kansas act, was political martyrdom for his principles, or their abandonment. He had long acted fairly towards the South. We believe that he would still be disposed to continue this course; but in that course lies political ruin. Cast out of the Senate by the Legislature of Illinois, where would he be three years hence in the great game of Presidential aspirations? The way to power is not to fall with a resistless minority, who always have succumbed to the aggressions of the majority. He has tried this, and but narrowly escaped political death. The way to power, in the mighty struggle of the two sections of the Union, is to fall in with the predominating policy of the two sections—in the North, uphold aggression, in the South, support submission, which has also heretofore prevailed. Mr. Douglas adds but one more to the rank of the countless thousands in the North who have been compelled, from the passive policy of the South, either to fall as our friends, or to rise as our enemies. He chooses the latter; and if the past is any indication of the future, he will succeed.

Unfortunately for the administration, all its organs throughout the Union, during the last summer, have been defending and advocating the grounds on which he now assails it; and still more unfortunate for the administration, by its violent agents, Walker and Stanton, it has strengthened the anti-slavery—now the anti-administration—party in Kansas, by allowing them to use all the authority of its moral and political power to promote their flagrant design of making Kansas a free State. The demands of Southern States to recall those traitors to the Kansas-Nebraska act, and traitors to the South, were unheeded and condemned as "ungenerous;" and now they rise up against the administration, and lead the van in opposition to its policy. Mr. Douglas finds it his interest to join them. Will the South, by its tame acquiescence, help to lift these men to power and place, and once more illustrate the policy of making great her enemies and destroying her friends? Shall she continue to lean on National Democracy, or on any other power than her own, to obtain and enforce her rights? That the whole South will support the administration in Congress in its efforts, although late, to enforce justice in Kansas, we do not doubt; but will this be enough to make the administration triumphant in Kansas and the Union? Must not a determination be shown by the South, which shall reach further than Kansas, and which will draw to the support of the administration all men in the North who value the Union itself? The poor South is again the ball in the play.

Attempt to Assassinate Rev. Father Lavay, of the Catholic Church.—We regret, says the Baton Rouge *Advocate*, to learn that some fiend in human shape attempted to assassinate this esteemed gentleman, on Saturday evening, the 19th instant, at 7½ o'clock, at the Presbytery. He was at the time in company of the Rev. Mr. Hubert and P. H. Murphy, Esq., principal of St. Joseph's High School, at the supper table. What makes the crime more mysterious is the fact that the reverend gentleman can assign no reason for the diabolical act. The assassin fired through a glass door, the ball grazing the shoulder and penetrating the wrist, where it still remains. The cowardly wretch, whoever he may be, opened all the gates, and the moment he fired ran with all his speed. This community, of every class and denomination, regrets exceedingly such a high-handed outrage on a good citizen—one who stood like a brave soldier amidst the plague of 1853, administering to the bodily and spiritual wants of the sick and dying, and even when the nearest friend or relative would abandon them, this devout and holy man would not.

Dr. Day was called in immediately after the occurrence, and we are happy to announce that he pronounces the wound not dangerous. It is more than probable that, as the night was dark, there never will be any clue found of the perpetrator of this act, but he must know that there is one in Heaven who sees in the darkest nights, as well as in the brightest sunshine, before whose awful tribunal he will be examined, in that after time, which shall not begin until he is numbered with the dead.

Steamboat Sunk.—The steamer *Era No. 1*, Captain Ben Kouns, from upper Red river, with 495 bales cotton, on Saturday morning, while dropping by a line through Black bayou, opposite Wardsworth's bluff, struck a cross current, which caused her to swing broadside against a large tree, breaking the hull in two, and sinking in five minutes. She now lies in six feet water, and will prove a total loss. Only 200 bales of cotton were damaged, the balance received no injury. The wet cotton will be dried, and the entire cargo forwarded to its original destination by the *Era No. 2*. We understand that the officers made use of every exertion to save the boat, but were forced to abandon her. The cotton, with the exception of ninety bales, was insured in New Orleans; the boat was also partially insured in that city.—*Caddo Southwestern.*

The Treasury Note Bill.

The following are the leading features of the Treasury Note bill reported by Senator Hunter, on the 17th inst.:

It authorized the President to cause sums to be issued as the exigencies of the public service may require, but not to exceed at any time the amount of $20,000,000, nor to be of a less denomination than five and fifty dollars, the notes to be paid and redeemed at the Treasury one year from the date of such notes, until they shall be respectively redeemed. They shall bear such rates of interest as shall be expressed in said notes, which rates shall not exceed $6,000,000, shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, with the approbation of the President, but shall in no case exceed six per cent. per annum. The residue shall be raised in whole or in part after public advertisement of not less than thirty days, as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct, by exchanging them at their par value, for specie to bidders who shall agree to make the exchange at the lowest rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent., provided that after the maturity of said notes the interest thereon shall cease, at the expiration of sixty days' notice of readiness to pay and redeem the same, which may at any time be given by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Payment on the redemption of such notes shall be made to the lawful holders thereof respectively upon presentation at the Treasury, and shall include the principal of each note, and the interest which may be due thereon. The faith of the United States is solemnly pledged for the redemption of the notes, and no notes shall be hypothecated, sold, or disposed of, for any purpose whatever, either directly or indirectly, for any sum less than the amount of such notes, including the principal and interest. The notes shall be transferred by an assignment endorsed thereon by the persons to whose order the same shall be made payable, accompanied by the delivery of a notice that they have been so assigned.

The notes are to be received by the proper officers in payment of all debts and taxes levied by the authority of the United States, and in payment for public lands, and on every such payment credit shall be given for the amount of the principal and interest due on such notes the day on which they shall be received by such officers. Authority is given to purchase said notes at a proper rate of interest, at the market rate at any time.

The remainder of the bill relates to details. It provides a penalty for forgery, and appropriates $20,000 to carry it into effect.

THE SUN-FLOWER EXPERIMENT.

BY LIEUT. M. F. MAURY.

Copy of a letter from a physician, dated New Orleans, 24th August, 1857:

"Lieut. Maury—*Sir*: The board of health of New Orleans, of which I am a member, having instructed me to prepare a plan for the drainage (dessechement) of that city, I am anxious to surround myself with all the information necessary in such an undertaking. A short time since I read in one of the newspapers that you have indicated the Sun-Flower as a plant peculiarly fitted for absorbing the miasms of marshy places, and I will be infinitely obliged to you, Sir, if you will have the goodness to communicate to me the results of your profound and valuable experience on this subject. I nothing doubt but that the influence of your experience and your name will have great weight in the determinations of the board. I venture to hope, Sir, that the interests of humanity, which have dictated this application to you, will excuse me in your eyes for the liberty I am taking in making this appeal to a source of information so justly appreciated in the scientific world.

"I pray to reciprocate the assurance of my distinguished consideration."

Extract of a letter from M. Vattemare to Lieut. Maury, dated Paris, 20th of August, 1857:

"I am requested by the Director of the Colonial Department to ask you some account of your plantations of *turn-sols*, to get rid of fever and ague reigning about the Observatory."

To these and other requests, written and unwritten, I ask leave to reply through the *Rural New Yorker*, and in answer beg to submit the following report:

Experiments of this sort belong to that class which yields philosophical deductions satisfactorily only after a great many repetitions, and from experiments made under a variety of circumstances. In this case a year is required for one experiment, and the experimenter works in the dark; for he cannot know certainly what would have been the result by varying the experiment or had no experiment been made. The readers of the *Rural* who should try the experiment are requested to state results and circumstances. I set them the example.

A belt of ground about 45 feet broad, between the marshes and the Observatory buildings, was planted thickly with Sun-Flowers in the spring. This belt is semi-circular, having the buildings for its centre, with a radius of four or five hundred feet. It is on the top of a hill ninety feet above the marshes, and from one-eighth to a mile or more distant from them. They are covered this year with an unusually rank growth of vegetation attributable to the fact that the marshes are in rapid process of formation, and the area covered by the water-grass grows larger and larger every year. The Sun-Flower patch should be well manured.

So far the watchmen about the grounds, who are the persons most exposed to the night air, and who usually suffer most from intermittent, have escaped, with but a single exception. H— had one slight chill the last of August. Before I commenced the Sun-Flower experiment he suffered with them severely, but since these experiments were commenced, of which this is only the second, he has had no return of them, except this one. The other watchman, L—, has come since the experiment was inaugurated; he has had no attack, and is now in his second season here.

To the S. E. of the Observatory, and just across the street from the bottom of the garden, is a house occupied by a family of four white persons. It is so situated that our Sun-Flower curtain did not screen it from the marshes. Three of this family have already been quite ill from attacks of intermittent fever. Both houses are on the hill, both equi-distant from the marshes on the South, though the Observatory is nearer to them on the West.

If the supposition be correct that intermittent fevers are for the most part caused by the decay of vegetable matter, then we apparently have grounds for the conjecture that the poison, be it gaseous, miasmatic or what not, which is set loose and put afloat during the process of vegetable decay, might be reabsorbed by the growth of vegetation. The ranker the growth the greater the absorption; such was the reasoning—and therefore it was that the preference was given to Sun-Flowers for our experiment. Hops are rank of growth; they climb high, and they, if there be anything in such reasoning, and the conjecture suggested by it, should answer as well as the Sun-Flowers—perhaps better—because they continue in vigorous growth longer than the Sun-Flowers.

Speaking upon this subject during the summer with a very intelligent and observant gentleman—a corn-planter from the Roanoke bottoms in North Carolina, where intermittents are very prevalent—he said it was his rule never to leave his low-land home for the upper country until the Indian corn had finished its growth—that as long as it was growing he did not consider that those who lived in houses under its lee in any danger. At any rate it was a rule which he followed for himself and family, and it worked well.

The experiment at the Observatory this year is not by any means a fair one—for the growth of the Sun Flowers is now over. That it is over so early is in consequence of a violent hail-storm that occurred here June 21st. Some of the stones were nearly as large as hen's eggs. All the young trees about the Observatory bear marks of them; for they fell with force enough to knock the bark from stocks and branches of trees as large as one's leg. This storm injured the first crop of Sun-Flowers and destroyed the second—so that now, before the sickly season is fairly over, no Sun-Flower growth is going on; indeed the stalks have just been pulled up, and the gardener is of opinion that if planted later than June, they will not grow large or vigorously.

I will not conclude this report till we have a white frost, simply that I may report any cases of intermittent that may occur during the Sun-Flower interregnum.

October 21st.—Last night we had the first frost of the season. It was quite cold, and in the morning there was ice. Up to this time all the month of October has been unusually mild, rainless, clear and fine. The first rain during the month was on last Thursday. Since the Sun-Flowers ceased their growth, there have been four cases of chills and fever. The other watchman, L—, has had a severe attack, and has given up his place in consequence of it.

Notwithstanding the fact that during the four months while the Sun-Flowers were in growth there was but one slight case of chills, and that in the course of three weeks after they were burnt up, there have been four cases, and three of them severe, still we are bound to admit that the experiment is by no means satisfactory; consequently unsatisfactory conclusions only can be drawn from the premises. The plants were very much injured, stunted and crippled in their growth by the hail storm of June. Nevertheless, though the experiment for this year has its drawbacks, there is in it nothing to discourage, except the circumstance that the crop of Sun-Flowers was injured by the hail. I am now preparing for next year's crop, by manuring the ground, and such is my faith in the virtue of this vegetable screen, that I shall remain at the Observatory next summer to subject my own person to the experiment; or if I leave my home and go to the mountains to keep clear of the disease, I shall not go till I get a warning from the ague and fever to quit.

Fraud.

We call attention to the fact of numerous unprincipled efforts that are daily making in our city by venders of a bitter mixture, using the persuasive argument (in order to effect sales) to dealers in Hostetter's Bitter, to purchase from them and sell it in Hostetter's bottles. We hope that such impostures will be held up to public contempt by all respectable persons who sell or use the genuine article. Not only have we the individual evidence of the country, but almost every paper in the Union is commenting upon the superior excellence of, and the great benefits derived from the use of this celebrated tonic; besides various diplomas awarded, among which is one from the Ohio Mechanics' Institute, at Cincinnati, where the committee—composed chiefly of physicians of the city—awarded Hostetter, Smith & Co. a diploma for the superior virtue of their Bitters, as a tonic and strengthener of the human system. We, therefore, caution all against impositions, and to purchase of none but respectable dealers, whom they know would not deceive them. For sale by
J. WRIGHT & CO.,
dec21 6t d&o 21 and 151 Chartres st.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

The Weather.—Yesterday was most disagreeably rainy and chilly. To add to the disagreeable effect at night, the lamps were again out on the worst muddied streets, and general darkness prevailed.

Salute.—The salute fired yesterday forenoon was in remembrance of a skirmish which Gen. Jackson and troops had with the British forces on Bayou Bienvenu, in December, 1814, and a subsequent battle on the same day, in which the Americans had 24 men killed and 115 wounded, and the British 46 killed, 80 wounded and 61 missing.

Orleans Theatre.—The "Trovatore" is to be given at the Orleans Theatre this evening. Those who wish to hear a good opera cleverly rendered, cannot do better than to avail themselves of this opportunity.

The Amphitheatre.—*Holiday Festivities.*—A series of fifteen splendid circus scenes are announced to be given at the Amphitheatre, this evening and to-morrow (Christmas) noon, together with a holiday pantomime, the nursery legend "Jack the Giant Killer." Messrs. Spalding & Rogers have, as usual, made great provision for the holidays.

Vannuchi's Museum.—Vannuchi's, No. 107 St. Charles street, continues to be the scene of numerous rare objects of attraction, such as waxen representations of sacred characters and modern personages of place and power in Europe and America, not to mention a real, live "Miniature Venus," as some pronounce her, in the person of Mrs. Ellen Briggs, only 38 inches high, and that well-compounded specimen of human obesity, Madam Oceana, weighing only 583 pounds net. Monsieur Adonis, the wonderful magician, is also at the Museum. Who can refrain from going to see "Adonis" and the big and little "Venus."

First District Court.—*Hon. T. G. Hunt.*—Wm. J. Brice was tried yesterday and found guilty of larceny, but with a recommendation to mercy. Joseph McGraw, charged with being an accomplice, was released by nol. pros.

Wm. Williams was acquitted of a charge of entering a house in the night time, with the intent to steal. John Kellar charged with fraud, and John Swan, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, were dismissed by nol. pros.

Third District Court.—*Judge Duvigneaud.*—A writ of *habeas corpus* sued out of this Court in behalf of Daniel Gandy and Olford Patterson, committed to prison by Recorder Stith, for kidnapping, was yesterday dismissed, the charge being substantiated by an affidavit made by Mrs. Matilda Gandy, wife of one of the accused.

Mrs. Gandy also instituted suit for divorce, alleging ill treatment, desertion and dishonesty on the part of her husband, and claiming $5000, value of her property squandered by him.

Fifth District Court.—Judge Eggleston has rendered an important decision touching a question of responsibility of common carriers, of which we give the substance, without quoting the authorities cited, as follows: Daniel Edwards vs. steamer "Catawba" et al. Plaintiff shipped, by the "Catawba," November 5th last, thirty bundles iron pipe, for conveyance to New Orleans from New York, 1026½ feet of which were found to be damaged by sea water, which occasioned rust. On arrival here the pipe was surveyed by the Port Warden, was condemned and sold for about $22. The evidence shows that the pipes were so rusted by the salt water, and injured in value, as to render a sale necessary. The defendants' answer is a general denial; and in their bill of lading is found this clause, "Weight, contents and value unknown, and not accountable for leakage, rust or breakage, *if properly stowed.*"

The responsibility of the steamer depends upon the correct meaning and construction of this clause, and she is liable for any injury resulting from bad stowage and want of care; so, if sheet iron is stowed in such proximity to salt as to be rusted and injured thereby, the vessel is responsible for the damages. And the rule of law is as well settled in this State, that if goods are injured during their transportation on a ship, the ship must show that the injury did not occur on board—after the plaintiff has first established the damage.

But defendants contend that this general rule has been modified by the bill of lading, exempting the vessel from responsibility "for rust, *if properly stowed.*" They say: "This is an exception to the general rule, which casts the *onus probandi* on the plaintiff, and compels him to prove that the injury by rust was occasioned by improper stowage; that they are not bound to prove affirmatively that the pipes were properly stowed, but that plaintiff must prove negatively that they were not." Had the clause in question in the bill of lading contained but the words "not accountable for rust," the plaintiff, to succeed, would have to prove that the rust was occasioned by the fault of the carrier. But the words "*if the goods are properly stowed*" assumes that the carrier will not be accountable for leakage, rust, &c.—*if*, or *provided that*, he properly stows the goods." The word "*if*" means "provided that," or "on condition of," and by the rules of pleading and evidence founded in reason and policy, the party invoking the protection of a condition is obliged to establish it by competent testimony. It was a conditional obligation, which he must show that he has accomplished before he can derive any benefit therefrom.

Suppose Primus, for example, binds himself to perform a certain act on condition that Secundus will construct for him a certain building; it is clear that, should the latter sue for a non-performance of the act, he must prove a fulfilment on his own part before he can maintain his action. So the stipulation, "if stowed properly," forms a condition precedent to the carrier's exemption from accountability for damage produced by rust, and it was incumbent on him to prove it; otherwise the carrier could release himself from responsibility for his own frauds, for the owner could not prove that the master stowed them improperly. He cannot thus prove a negative, since he does not accompany the goods in their transit; is generally on land far from the ship, and, consequently, unable to supervise them. Paying for their proper stowage and transportation, he trusts to the master's skill and prudence, which the latter pledges in consideration that he will pay him the freight he demands. I conclude that the vessel is liable, and render judgment accordingly.

Messrs. Durant and Hornor were counsel for the plaintiff.

Fourth District Court.—*Hon. J. W. Price.*—A writ of mandamus was granted by Judge Price yesterday, ordering the Commissioner of the election for Constable in that portion of this parish lying on the right bank of the river, to make a full return of said election to the Sheriff as the law requires.

Louis St. Martin, Registrar of Voters for this parish, has instituted suit before Judge Price yesterday, claiming of the city the fourth of a year's salary, as fixed by the Legislature, at $2000. The City Attorney denies that the city is thus indebted to the plaintiff, on the ground that the Legislature had no right to impose such a tax upon the city.

Recorder Stith's Court.—Wm. Rose was sent to prison yesterday, without benefit of bail, to await examination, on the 29th inst., on a charge of violently robbing a man, by force of arms, of a gold watch and pistol, at the corner of Perdido and Dryades streets.

J. T. Millan and J. E. O. Wingfield, charged with robbing Matilda White of a gold watch and chain, were held for examination this morning. No bail.

Ernest Chavet was held to bail to answer for an alleged breach of trust, committed to the prejudice of J. A. Guillotte, in not accounting for some bread entrusted to him for sale.

Morris Fortier was committed to the First District Court for trial for larceny, in stealing a gold watch and chain from Michael Levy, of 204 Circus street.

Recorder Fabre's Court.—Cognio Louca was examined yesterday and committed to the First District Court on a charge of stealing sacks and stealing coffee therefrom on the levee.

Jean Alexander, a free man of color, was also committed for trial for being in the State in contravention of law, and refusing to leave, as notified.

Joseph Guyot was held to answer to the complaint of Bernard Lataple, of stealing $18 from him.

Recorder Adams's Court.—Ernest Sicur, for being caught up drunk and resisting the officer, was yesterday fined $10; also, Jacob Vonhofen $5 for attempting to rescue Sicur from the officer.

Charles Constantine was held under $500 bonds to answer for inflicting the head of Frederick Osborn for a cotton-bale so far as to cut him with a cotton hook over the eye.

A negress was arrested on a log floating down the middle of the river. She gave no very lucid account of herself, and was sent to prison as a runaway, to be reclaimed. Whose is she?

Fire Alarms.—There were no less than three alarms of fire last night, but there was no damage of consequence sustained anywhere, as we were advised.

The particular attention of buyers is called to the sale of Boots, Shoes and Brogans, to take place THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, at the auction room of H. Peychaud, Hyde & Co., No. 28 Old Levee street. Terms at sale.

The particular attention of buyers is called to the extensive sale of Silks, Prints and Dry Goods, to take place THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, at the auction room of H. Peychaud, Hyde & Co., No. 28 Old Levee street. Terms at sale.

OBITUARY.

Died, on Monday morning, December 21st, 1857, at half past six o'clock, at the residence of his only surviving sister, Mrs. John W. Lane, in this city, WILLIAM SIMS MAYFIELD, aged 19 years, and a resident of the parish of Terrebonne, La.

He is gone, and his spirit, we have reason to trust, has found its abiding home in Heaven. His health had been failing the past year from the effects of a stroke of hemiplegia, but had been measurably repaired by travel, so that his death resulted more directly from an attack of bronchitis, brought on by imprudent bathing in cold water. He was ineffectually removed to the city for treatment, and died after a struggle of several days of the most painful suffering. He was born in Warren county, N. C., whence he removed at an early age to North Alabama, thence to Washington (now Issaquena) county, Miss., and subsequently to his plantation in this State.

The greater portion of his life was spent in the enjoyment of almost uninterrupted health, and in an active exercise of that kind of charity which begins at home, and, as he conceived, first widens its orbit in the endearing precincts of the family circle. In other words, he labored in keeping with a promise made to his dying sister, Mrs. John A. Lane, more than ten years ago, to be as a father to her children, one of whom is the writer of this feeble tribute to his worth. He was never married—yet such was the fulness of his feelings on the subject, that he considered himself bereaved as those who had been, in the death of a young lady to whom he was engaged in early life—that, he said, had "rendered him a widower." So, indeed, it seemed, and we would do ourselves injustice should we refrain from adding that the generous care which he turned to extend to his sister's children made his love their fond reliance, and his noble exertions in their behalf a sure means of their protection.

The family scene around the death-bed of such a one, in all the generous ebbings of his nature, and the gentle tenderness of his tale, can be better imagined than described. He had lived a true nobleman of nature, was kind to his servants, honorable in every dealing with his fellows, loyal to tenacity, and in all things mindful of his God. Though no professor of religion, he had never failed, he said, to return a nightly prayer to the Great Author of his existence, and he now felt ready to pay the last tribute and resign with full submission to His will. Then, indeed, was it a painful scene, as his own failing hand affectionately pressed each hand of those about him whom he loved, both relatives and servants, and he anxiously inquired for others who were absent, till death began to assert its sway, and forever closed its iron lid upon his noble heart. Thus he passed from us—yet his life, though now but a seeming dream of existence, must still prove one of those delightful visions of active and substantial worth, which are not to be confined to the soul's mere physical embodiment.

"Soft lie the turf upon his noble breast,
And from his dust may flowers grow."
J. J. L.

New Orleans, Dec. 23d, 1857.

Franko's Grand Tombola.—We invite attention to the notice of the splendid tombola of H. Franko, No. 160 Poydras street. It consists of six hundred principal prizes, the aggregate value of which is $12,000. Every number, moreover, will be entitled to a prize. The price of tickets is only one dollar. Among the prizes worthy of special notice, are a lot of ground and dwelling-house, a lady's magnificent watch, enriched with diamonds; that master-piece of mechanical skill, the singing bird; musical boxes, jewelry of all kinds, &c. &c. The drawing will take place at Armory Hall, as soon as the tickets are all sold. The prizes may be examined at Franko's store. The managers of the tombola have been selected from among the most respectable citizens of New Orleans.

To the Stockholders

OF THE

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY:

The Board of Directors have been investigating all the affairs of the Company, with a view to making a report.

After the organization of the Company at this place, in April last, some unsettled claims existed against the Company; and the Executive Committee at New York, who knew more of these claims than the Directory here, were entrusted with the duty of settling them. Rumors of frauds in these settlements, and of the fraudulent issue of stock, and charges that the Executive Committee, in New York were issuing stock in large quantities at one dollar a share, on which five dollars a share were acknowledged to have been paid, were widely circulated, greatly to the injury of the operations of the Company. In order to satisfy the Stockholders that such charges were untrue, the Executive Committee demanded an investigation of these rumors, when, after a full investigation of a committee, there was an unanimous concurrence of opinion that no stocks had been sold and issued either by the Executive Committee in New York or the Company at New Orleans, *under par*, and their report was concurred in by the Board of Directors. It is not deemed necessary at this time to present a full and detailed account of every thing connected with the transactions of the Company. All those particulars will be laid before the Stockholders in the yearly report, which will be submitted to them in due time. The Company is now believed to be in a better condition than it was at its organization in New Orleans in April last.

It will be sufficient to advert to the present actual position of the Company, and its immediate prospects with reference to the amount of money at the credit of "Capital Stock" for stock issued as per statement of the President, April, 1857. The amount then represented was | $2,474,790 50
To this may justly be added interest paid in stock on the above amount | 39,345 18
Add stock issued in New Orleans | 322,782 36
Making in all a total issue of stock as of that date to the amount of | $2,836,918 04
But an agreement has been made by which a part of the assets on hand have been sold, to be paid for in the capital stock of the Company, and which, when carried out, will reduce the outstanding stock to | 2,566,854
In addition to which there is an amount of $200,000, which the Board of Directors believe will be cancelled | 200,000 00
Thus it leaves the total amount of stock issued | $2,366,851 95
Making an actual reduction in stock issued to the amount of | 470,063 09

The Company have entered into positive contracts which will, the Board believe, insure the construction of twenty miles of the road by the 15th of February next. About twelve miles are completed, leaving only eight more to be finished; and as the eight miles are graded, and all the iron is upon the ground, two locomotives, construction cars, chairs, spikes, and every thing necessary to complete that distance, the Board have every confidence that the requirements of the charter will be complied with. Five miles in addition to the twenty above mentioned are already graded, and all the iron and other material necessary to lay the track is on the spot. As soon as these additional five miles are completed, the Company will receive $256,000 acres of land from the State of Texas. This land has already been surveyed, and is reported to be of a very superior quality. Messrs. J. T. Grant & Co. are under contract to grade seventy miles of road, and provision has been made for the prosecution of that work to completion. In October last, when the commercial crisis swept over the land, creating embarrassment and failures of some of the strongest houses in all parts of the Union, the Company found it impossible to raise means either to pay their existing liabilities or prosecute their work. With a view to saving the charter of the Company, and to induce parties to loan money to prosecute the work, at least to the extent of twenty miles, a deed of trust was executed by order of the Directors. The execution of this deed of trust had the effect of inducing parties to come forward and furnish means, whereby the work was unimpeded in its progress, and the charter protected. Arrangements have been made by which all the debts embraced in the deed of trust are provided for, and by which the deed of trust will be cancelled.

The Executive Committee of New York having requested that said committee should be abolished, the request has been granted; and in future all contracts and engagements must be made here, subject to the action of the Board of Directors.

The transfer office is reported in New York, and H. M. Stratton is appointed assistant Secretary, and is authorized to sign certificates with Edwin Post, the Vice-President of the Company. Stock may be transferred on the books of the Company, either at the transfer office in New York, or at the office in New Orleans, and new certificates obtained for old ones surrendered. Interest certificates can in all cases be issued at either office, but no holder of certificate of stock can receive his interest without the presentation of the certificate of stock on which said interest has accrued. A financial system has also been adopted by the Company, by which it is believed its bonds, secured upon its lands and property, will take the highest rank among good securities, either at home or abroad, so as to enable the Company to progress without selling more stock than was ordered to be sold last spring. About $270,000 of that amount still remains unsold, and it is not contemplated to issue any other stock.

In conclusion it is proper to state that an installment of fifty cents a share will fall due on the 1st Monday of January next on all stock on which $3 50 a share has been paid. All stock on which installments are not paid will be liable to sale under the sixth section of the charter, a copy of which is annexed:

"Sec. 6. The shares may be disposed of, and books opened for subscriptions thereto in such manner, and on such terms as said commissioners shall determine will be for the best interest of said Company; and any agreement in writing, by which any person shall become a subscriber to the capital stock of said Company, may be enforced against him according to its terms; and if any subscriber shall fail to pay any amount due upon shares subscribed by him, according to the terms of his subscription, the directors may sell at auction and transfer to the purchaser the shares of such delinquent; and if the proceeds of sale shall not be sufficient to pay the amount due on said subscription, with interest and charges, such delinquent shall be held liable to the Company for the deficiency; and if the proceeds shall exceed the amount so due, with interest and charges, said delinquent shall be entitled to the surplus.

Installments may be paid either at the office in New Orleans, or at the Transfer office in New York, at the pleasure of the holder of scrip stock.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

This report was adopted by an unanimous vote.

The election of Directors is postponed to the first Tuesday in May next, and will then take place at the Company's office in this city.

By order of the Board,
GEO. S. YERGER, Pres't.
GEO. C. LAWRASON, Sec'y.
New Orleans, December 22, 1857.

A First-Rate Chance.—At No. 160 Poydras street, Franko continues to offer splendid opportunities to purchasers. His stock of jewelry and fancy articles is unsurpassed in beauty and variety, and to all who invest one dollar, or more, a gift will be presented to be selected by themselves. As the holiday season is at hand, we certainly advise our readers to embrace the occasion. Call at Franko's, and the elegance and cheapness of his wares will assuredly induce you to choose some pretty article for a present to your friends.

The Age We Live In.

The progressive nature of the times seems to impart self-advancement to all. When we look back historically for fifty years, how changed has every thing become; how altered every thing appears, and all brought about by new discoveries. In the healing art this progress has not been less than in any other branch; indeed, we would say rather more.—For among the wonders in pharmacy must be reckoned

KENNEDY'S MEDICAL DISCOVERY.

This, no doubt, is one of the wonders of the age.—A simple herb picked up in crossing a field has turned out to be the grand secret of the cure of *Rheumatism, Scrofula, Epilepsy, Pulmonary Affections, Dyspepsia, Dropsy, Kidney Complaints, Salt Rheum, Gout*, &c., and, in fact, in every thing where the humors of the body are contaminated, then

KENNEDY'S MEDICAL DISCOVERY

is triumphant. The testimony in volumes as to its great and efficacious powers sets at rest all suspicion as to its merits. We cordially support it, believing it to be the greatest discovery of "the age we live in."

For sale in New Orleans, wholesale and retail, by
J. WRIGHT & CO.,
21 and 151 Chartres st.

General agents for the South, and to whom all orders should be addressed. dec22 24 25 2dp

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Every person should read the advertisements of Gelston's Celebrated Magic Compound and Ancient Japanese Life Pills, which appear alternately in another column. They are the two most successful remedies in the world! *Try them and be cured.* oct18—ly

Retirement from Business.

The customers of the old Drug, Medicine, Chemical, Dye and Paint establishment of HENRY BONNABEL, corner of Natchez and Tchoupitoulas streets, and the public at large, are informed that, on the 1st of December last, the contents of said store and the good will of the business were disposed of to Mr. B. JOURDAN, who, since that date, conducts the same for his own profit and his own account.

The friends of the old concern are earnestly requested to continue to the new proprietor the custom heretofore extended to it, as Mr. JOURDAN is also capable and trustworthy, and has the necessary capital to sell low and give the usual credit facilities.
HENRY BONNABEL.
New Orleans, December 11, 1857. dec23 1m

B. JOURDAN,
SUCCESSOR TO H. BONNABEL,
Wholesale Druggist, Apothecary and Chemist.

The subscriber begs leave to inform his friends and customers, and the public, that he has purchased the Wholesale Drug Store of H. Bonnabel. He will constantly receive from Europe and the North fresh supplies of Medicines. All orders, large and small, will receive prompt attention, and every article guaranteed genuine and perfectly pure.
dec23 1m B. JOURDAN.

New Store......New Goods.
LOW PRICES!

RARE AND BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY PRESENTS, selected personally by the advertiser in Vienna, Berlin, Frankfort, Munich, Belgium, Geneva, Paris and London.

GUION,
29......ST. CHARLES STREET,......29
(Verandah Building.)

Is now ready to exhibit his immense Stock of New, Rich, Rare and Appropriate

Holiday Presents!

An inspection of this large assortment does not imply the least obligation to purchase. The Goods will be cheerfully shown at all times, and in no case allowed to be misrepresented. Particular attention is invited to the large assortment of NEW STYLES of the following articles:
EXACT MODELS IN PEARL of all the Cathedrals of celebrity in Europe.
BOHEMIAN GLASS TOILET SETS in every variety.
SURPRISE ODEUR CASES, Cigar Boxes, Work Cases, Jewel Boxes and Reticules.
RICH FINE JEWELRY, of the latest patterns.
RICH JET GOODS, new styles.
STERLING SILVER CUPS, GOBLETS, &c.
PLATED WARE—Tea and Coffee Urns, do Sets of six pieces, Cake Baskets, Casters, Butter Boats, Punch and Ice Bowls, Waiters, Card Receivers, Candlesticks, &c. &c.
SPLENDID PEARL and SHELL, GOLD and SILVER PORTE MONNAIES.
PRIZE MEDAL OPERA GLASSES, worthy of the particular notice of connoisseurs.
MARINE and MILITARY SPY GLASSES.
MICROSCOPES and MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS.
OIL PAINTINGS—a splendid collection.
Ladies and Gents' TOILET BOXES—new styles.
WORK-BOXES, of Papier Mache, Ebony, &c.
ODEUR CASES, of Crystal, Ebony, Papier Mache, Tortoise Shell and Pearl.
PARIAN MARBLE STATUARY—new subjects.
PORTE-MONNAIES—new styles—Silver, Pearl, Tortoise Shell, Velvet and Embossed Velvet.
MECHANICAL TOYS—entirely new designs.
BACKGAMMON and CHESS BOARDS.
CHESSMEN, of Ivory, Dresden Bronze, &c.
NEW GAMES and PUZZLES—a large variety.
PORT-FOLIOS, of Papier Mache, Velvet and Leather.
DESKS and PORTFOLIOS, of Papier Mache, Ebony, Rosewood, &c.
SILVER and PLATED PORT-BOUQUETS.
ETUI CASES, of Ivory and Ebony, with Gold Furniture.
PRAYER BOOKS and BIBLES, richly bound in Ivory and Velvet.
CABBAS in every variety—entirely new patterns.
BRIDAL PRESENTS, Pearl, Jewel and Jewel Boxes.
Gold mounted CANES, with Jewelled Settings—a large variety of new patterns.
Cut Glass TOILET BOTTLES—some richly mounted in Gilt, with Medallion Settings.
PERFUMERY and Fancy Articles for the Toilet.
Ladies and Gents' superior KID GLOVES.
English HALF HOSE—Plain and Fancy colors.
Fine Table and Pocket CUTLERY.
Chests of GUN IMPLEMENTS, for Gents.

An extensive assortment of
GUNS, PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS,
with all the modern improvements.

From my New York Manufactory I am now in receipt of a large stock of the latest and most approved patterns of

FINE LINEN AND COTTON SHIRTS.

The prices will be guaranteed as low as goods of the same quality can be procured in this city, and will be sold for CASH or CITY ACCEPTANCE on favorable terms. GUION'S,
29 St. Charles street, (Verandah Buildings)
dec21 6t a few doors from Canal street.

Genuine Meerschaum Pipes.

The great difficulty the public have heretofore experienced in procuring GENUINE MEERSCHAUM PIPES in this country, induced the advertiser to visit Vienna, and have manufactured under his own immediate supervision, by the most reputable makers, a splendid assortment of these Pipes, comprising every imaginable shape, size and style.

I now offer to the public the finest selection of MEERSCHAUM PIPES ever exhibited in the country. Each PIPE WARRANTED GENUINE.

I have also in store a large variety of the second quality of Meerschaum Pipes, which will be sold at about one third the price usually charged for the same article.

For sale, wholesale and retail, at
GUION'S New Store,
No. 29 St. Charles street, Verandah Buildings,
d24 6t a few doors from Canal street.

SHAVING A LUXURY.
Guion's Warranted Silver-steel Razors.

Each Razor is sold with a guarantee, and can be exchanged if it should not please the purchaser. They are so finely tempered that they will shave the most difficult beards with the greatest ease.

Each Razor is stamped T. F. GUION, warranted. Sold, wholesale and retail, at
GUION'S New Store,
No. 29 St. Charles street, Verandah Buildings,
dec21 6t a few doors from Canal street.

GIFT BOOKS
AT COST!!!

All the FLASH EDITIONS Known as the ANNUALS FOR 1858, and THE POETS,
Will be sold at
Norman's,
No. 14 Camp street.

During the Holiday Season, at cost, which purchasers will find to be twenty-five per cent. cheaper than the usual prices of selling books.

Look into this before making purchases.
dec21 2d 1te.

INDIA RUBBER PATENT
B. ANTOGNINI.
Billiard Table Manufacturer.
—ALL STYLES—
B. ANTOGNINI,
Nos. 12 and 14 Conti street,
Between Chartres and Old Levee, New Orleans.

Round and oval billiard tables, six and eight foot square billiard tables, with marble and wood tops; cushions to play on the same table, either side of the game. A full and complete assortment of every article in the line. Manufacture of India Rubber for Cushions; also, Pneumatic, Bagatelle, Roulettes, Balls and Pins for Ten Pin Alleys, &c.

ECONOMICAL STOVES,
portable, and set up to order, with crockery and cast-iron tops.
Walnut Wood for sale. dec24

J. J. CORTISSOZ,
Blank and General Job Book-Binder,
27 Camp street, (third door) New Orleans.

Having for some time been engaged in the business, and made some proficiency therein, now prays for a portion of that patronage due a native artisan.

Having in the establishment a first-class Ruling Machine, work in this line can be done in a manner to warrant satisfaction.

Charges uniform and equivalent. dec24 2m

Bank of Louisiana,
New Orleans, December 23, 1857.

This Bank will be closed on Christmas, 25th inst., and on the 1st and 5th of January next. Bills and notes due on these days will be payable on the days preceding respectively.
dec24 R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Toys! Toys!
50 PER CENT. BELOW COST—We will offer, to close, our Toys at 50 PER CENT. BELOW COST.
Call and examine. No humbug.
LION & PINSARD,
dec24 7t 66 and 68 Royal st, corner Bienville.

Christmas and New Year's Gifts!
LION & PINSARD,
66 and 68 Royal street, corner Bienville.

Just received per ship Nuremberg, from Havre, the balance of their CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S GIFTS, which will be disposed of at a GREAT REDUCTION.
Toys! Toys!! Toys!!!
Fancy Goods;
Fine and ordinary Porcelain;
Sevres Porcelain; Clocks and Chandeliers;
Bronze and Biscuit Statuary;
A splendid assortment of Lamps;
Porcelain and Bronze Lamps;
Fine French Jewelry;
American and German Jewelry;
600 boxes Cream Chocolate;
Crystals, Glass and China Ware.
LION & PINSARD,
dec23 66 and 68 Royal street, corner Bienville.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
FINE SILVER.
Beautiful and Appropriate Articles for
Holiday Presents,

Consisting in part of FINE SILVER Cake Baskets, Urns, Tea Sets, Casters, Goblets, Waiters, Napkin Rings, Dessert and Tea Knives in cases, Pitchers, Cups, Salt Stands, &c.

Rich China,
DINNER and TEA SETS, of new and beautiful styles.
VASES of entirely new and exquisite patterns.
PARIAN GROUPS and STATUETTES, very fine.

Rich Bronze Articles,
VASES, Card Stands, Candlesticks and Mantel Clocks, MARBLE CLOCKS and VASES, &c.

Besides the above, a great variety of fancy and useful articles, suitable for PRESENTS, at
HENDERSON & GAINES,
dec22 1m 90 Canal street.

GIFTS! GIFTS!
BOOKS! BOOKS!
A Prize Worth from 25 cents to $100
GIVEN WITH EACH BOOK AT THE TIME OF SALE.
EVANS & CO.,
No. 28 Camp street,

Have just received a large supply of new ANNUALS and GIFT BOOKS, finely illustrated and bound in the most elegant style for HOLIDAY GIFTS.

Also, a large addition to their former immense stock of rich JEWELRY, for PRESENTS, and are now prepared to give GREATER INDUCEMENTS THAN EVER BEFORE OFFERED.

Ladies and gentlemen are invited to call and secure a nice Book and a splendid PRESENT at
EVANS & CO.'S,
dec22 2w 28 Camp street.

Landing ex ship St Peter, from Bordeaux—15 boxes Cacao Vanilla Cream. For sale by
CAMILLE LACOSTE,
(Successor to Forbes & Bordelois,)
dec24 corner Royal and Dumaine sts

Sundries—20 cases, 12 boxes each, cried prunes; 30 cases, 12 bottles each, fruits in juice; 10 do 12 do brandy cherries; 40 Wesphalia hams; 5 cases, 100 hf boxes each, mushrooms, Rodel; 6 do, 100 hf do, ceps in oil, do; 8 do, 100 hf do, plain, cooked green peas; do in butter; 5 do, 100 hf boxes each, truffles, Rodel; 2 do, 100 hf do do do; 100 hf boxes truffled sausages, do; 15 hf do chicken galatine, do; 100 hf do lamprey a la Bordelaise, do; 10 hf do truffled pigs feet, do; 60 hf do salmon in oil, do; 200 hf do tunny in oil, do; 500 qr do truffled pies, do; 25 cases, 100 hf boxes each, sardines in oil, 8 do, 100 hf do, boneless sardines; 1 do, 100 hf do, sardines in butter; 400 baskets Piper Heidsieck, Eug. Clicquot, Dorlodot and A. Imperial Champagne wines; 15 boxes Burgundy wine, various brands. For sale by CAMILLE LACOSTE,
(Successor to Forbes & Bordelois,)
dec24 corner Royal and Dumaine sts

Landing ex ship St. Peter, from Bordeaux—300 boxes, 12 bottles each, St. Julien Medoc claret; 250 do, 12 bottles each, St. Estephe claret; 100 do, 12 bottles each, white wine Haut Sauterne; 40 casks St. Julien Medoc claret; 10 do Chateau Margaux do; 10 do St. Estephe do; 10 do St. Emilion do; 20 bbls Haut Sauterne white wine; 12 casks do do; 30 cases, 50 half boxes each, sardines in oil; 20 do, 100 quarter boxes each, do do; 25 do, 100 half boxes each, green peas; 10 do, 50 boxes each, green peas; 75 boxes Swiss absynthe; 25 do curaçao; 20 do Raspail's cordials.
For sale by J. VIOSCA, Jr.,
dec24 20 Conti st

M. R. SMITH & CO.'S
GREAT GIFT
ENTERPRISE
FOR
$100,000!
TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN NEW ORLEANS ON THE
FIRST FEBRUARY NEXT

FIRST PRIZE:
$10,000 IN GOLD COIN!

SECOND PRIZE:
A MAGNIFICENT
SET OF DIAMONDS
VALUED at $5000!

600
PRIZES!!!
CONSISTING OF
600 Fine Gold Hunting
WATCHES!

TICKETS - - - - - - $1 each.
To be had at the Principal Office,
No. 97,
Camp street, near Poydras.

LIST OF PRIZES:

1st Prize:
$10,000 in Cash - - - - - - $10,000

2d Prize:
Set Magnificent Diamonds - - - - 5,000

3d to 9th Prize:
7 Fine Gold Hunting Watches, $300 - 2,000

10th to 21st Prize:
12 Fine Gold Hunting Watches $250 - 3,000

22d to 100th Prize:
79 Fine Gold Hunting Watches $200 - 15,800

101st to 378th Prize:
278 Fine Gold Hunting Watches $150 - 41,700

379th to 602d Prize:
224 Fine Gold Hunting Watches $100 - 22,400

600 Watches. Total - - - - - - $100,000

The numbers will be drawn from a Glass Wheel, the first one drawn will win the first Prize of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS in Cash; the second one the Diamonds; the third one the best Watch, and so on until six hundred numbers are drawn, which will distribute all the Prizes.

Orders for Tickets by mail, accompanied by the money, will be promptly filled by return mail.

Address letters to M. R. SMITH & CO., No. 97 Camp street, New Orleans.

Responsible persons will be appointed to attend to the interests of those Ticket Holders who may be absent from the city on the day of the drawing.

The numbers of the Tickets drawing the Prizes will be published in the city papers next day after the distribution.

Prizes drawn by parties out of the city will be held subject to their order.

THE MOST UNQUESTIONABLE REFERENCES will be given as to the integrity and responsibility of the parties connected with the enterprise.

Agents wanted to dispose of Tickets in Memphis, Vicksburg, Mobile, and other inland cities.

M. R. SMITH & CO.,
IMPORTERS OF WATCHES,
No. 97 Camp st., near Poydras, N. O.
dec22

TO THE LADIES OF NEW ORLEANS.
IMPORTERS' STOCK OF FRENCH AND SCOTCH EMBROIDERIES AT RETAIL,
For Half the Usual Prices!

Compelled to leave our premises by the first of January, we have resolved to run off at retail, during the next fifteen days, our magnificent stock, imported by us for the fall and spring trade, at such prices as will ensure us an immediate return of the cash.

Swiss and Jaconet COLLARS, from 12½ cents to $3 50—usually sold from 25 cents to $6.
Beautiful Frilled and Gauntlet SETS, from $1 to $6—usually sold from $2 to $10.
Embroidered SLEEVES, from 25 cents to $4.
The very finest French COLLARS and SETS at proportionate rates.
Embroidered LINEN SETS, from 60 cents to $3 50.
A rare choice of Plain and Embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs, Lace Veils, Bands, Trimmings, Skirts, Toilets, Damask Table Cloths, Napkins, etc.

Intending purchasers of Holiday Presents will find this an unusual opportunity, and ladies are respectfully assured that the lowest prices will be asked in every instance. F. J. HAQUAIR & CO.,
dec18 6t Importers, No. 82 Chartres st., (up stairs.)

TO THE PUBLIC.

For the purpose of closing out our entire stock of FALL GOODS, comprised of—
SILKS,
CASHMERES,
WOOL PLAIDS and POPLINS,
EMBROIDERIES,
CLOAKS and SHAWLS,
HOSIERY and ZEPHYR WOOL GOODS,
CURTAIN STUFFS, and other
HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.
—ALSO—
BLANKETS,
QUILTS,
KERSEYS,
LINSEYS, &c., &c.,
we will, from this date, offer great inducements to buyers. P. & K. REILLY & CO.,
dec10 6t 2dp 126 Canal street, between Royal and Bourbon sts

V. A. MAGNON

Respectfully announces to his friends and the public, that he commences business this day. His stock consists in WINES, CORDIALS, COGNAC, PRESERVED FRUITS AND MEATS, FAMILY PROVISIONS, &c., &c.

The store is situated at the corner of Orleans and Royal streets. dec11 tf

Spices—10 cases nutmegs; 10 do mace; 300 bags pimento; 100 do pepper. For sale by
F. J. HART & CO.,
dec16 71 and 73 Tchoupitoulas st

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GIFTS.

This undersigned offers a large variety of FRENCH LOOKING-GLASSES, of the latest and most splendid styles, at exceedingly low prices.

A splendid assortment of FRAMES, white and gilt, ebony and gilt, for photographic and lithographic pictures and portraits—all sizes.

An immense assortment of Engravings, Lithographic and Photographic Pictures, Oil Paintings, etc. General Depot of Pastel Glasses.

Toilet Psyche Looking-Glasses, all sizes.
Window-shades and Gilt Pins.
Tassels and Strings of all sizes and colors.
Old Candelabras fixed up for evening parties.
Hand, Mouth and Hair Looking-Glasses.
G. DUPUY, 61 Royal street,
dec23 between Bienville and Customhouse sts

FRENCH AND GERMAN
MIRRORS.
67......CHARTRES STREET,......67
Between Bienville and Conti streets.

Laurent Uter—still the only person in the city who makes glasses—has the honor to inform his customers that he has now on hand a splendid assortment of FRENCH GLASSES—not Belgian—which are very superior to the latter, as every connoisseur is well aware; and that taking into consideration the commercial crisis, he will dispose of them at 20 per cent. below ordinary prices, and 10 per cent. below the prices asked at any other establishment. Being directly connected with the principal house in Paris, he is enabled to execute any commission whatever in his particular line, in from 20 to 25 days, either for silvered glasses or plain mirrors for store fronts.

His establishment is now so organized that he can undertake any and all kinds of gilding and framing.

An extensive assortment of lithographs and engravings, plain and colored.

Oil paintings in the style of the best masters.

All work executed by this house is warranted. dec23 1m

Adolphe Blache,
69......ROYAL STREET......69

Has now a complete assortment of fresh goods, imported directly from Paris, amongst which will be found every article suitable for a New Year's gift.

Chinaware and Crystals;
Bronze Ware of every description,
Dressing Cases and Work Boxes;
Card Receivers and fancy boxes of all kinds,
Portfolios, Cigar Cases, Memoranda,
Richland plain Fans;
Fine Cutlery; Walking Canes,
Latest style Shell Combs;
Embroidered Handkerchiefs.
ALSO,
A most handsome selection of French Jewelry, comprising—
Bracelets, Necklaces, Ear-rings,
Breastpins, Finger-rings,
Gold Studs and Sleeve Buttons,
Gold Pencils, Snuff Boxes,
And a variety of other articles. dec23

Get Your Holiday Presents
AT
S. N. MOODY'S,
Corner of Canal and Royal streets.

Just opened, a fine invoice of RICH AND ELEGANT GOODS, manufactured and exported expressly for the holidays.

What can be a more appropriate and useful CHRISTMAS or NEW YEAR'S PRESENT than HALF A DOZEN HANDSOME SHIRTS?
GENUINE JOUVIN'S GLOVES?
FINE LINEN CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS?
A RICH DRESSING ROBE?
A RECHERCHE CRAVAT OR SCARF?
A GENTLEMAN'S LONG WOOL SCARF?
AN ELEGANT DRESSING CASE?
AN ELEGANT WRITING CASE?
AN ELEGANT LADY'S CABAS?
A SUPERBLY MOUNTED CANE?
A SPLENDID SILK UMBRELLA?
A HANDSOME PORTE-MONNAIE OR CIGAR-CASE?
A LADY'S TORTOISE-SHELL BACK COMB?
A COMPLETE TOILETTE SET?
AN EXQUISITE OPERA-GLASS?
FINEST IMPORTED PERFUMERY?
SEWING BIRDS, BOYS' CANES, SUSPENDERS?
Or any other of the rich fancy goods offered so cheap at
dec15 tjanl S. N. MOODY'S.

NOW IS THE TIME!
NOW IS THE TIME TO SECURE
RICH AND BEAUTIFUL PRESENTS,
SUITABLE FOR THE HOLIDAYS,

Not at those ruinous sacrifices, but at the very LOWEST PRICE at which every article can be warranted.

The stock comprises in part—
Fine WATCHES,
Rich JEWELRY, in Sets and half Sets,
BRACELETS, BROOCHES and EAR-RINGS,
FINGER-RINGS, in every variety.
FANCY GOODS.
Papier-Mache and Rosewood DESKS, Work and Glove BOXES, Silver, Pearl and Shell CARD-CASES, PORTE-MONNAIES, &c.
PERFUMERY.
Lubin's and other choice EXTRACTS, including the celebrated FRANGIPANNI, SOAPS, EXTRACTS and POMADES, together with an endless variety of Toilet and Fancy articles, at the very lowest prices.
Remember No. 20 Camp street, under the City Hotel.
dec21 1m FRANKLIN ROBERTS.

DIAMONDS! DIAMOND SETS!
A. CANDIDE,
91......Chartres street......91

Has just received a splendid assortment of DIAMOND SETS, which are offered at extremely reduced prices. He has on hand a variety of
BRACELETS,
CROSSES,
DORMEUSES,
EAR-RINGS,
FINGER-RINGS,
and BROOCHES.
Also, an assortment of superior WATCHES.
DIAMONDS SET and JEWELRY repaired.
Gold, Silver and Diamonds exchanged and purchased. dec21 1m

RETIRING
FROM BUSINESS.

The public is most respectfully informed that the undersigned has determined to retire from the

DRY GOODS BUSINESS,
He will, in consequence, offer
THE WHOLE
OF HIS
MAGNIFICENT STOCK
OF FOREIGN,
And his complete assortment of
HOUSE FURNISHING
AND
PLANTATION GOODS,
IN STORE AND TO ARRIVE,
at such prices as will ensure
A SPEEDY SALE.

The public may be assured that this notice is made in good faith.

COUNTRY MERCHANTS would do well to take this opportunity to replenish their stocks.

D. H. HOLMES,
dec15 30t 148 CANAL STREET.

GIFTS! GIFTS! GIFTS!
AT
H. FRANKO'S,
160 POYDRAS STREET.

From date, each customer who buys ONE DOLLAR'S worth and upwards, in the line of
MUSICAL BOXES,
WATCHES,
JEWELRY,
DIAMONDS OR CLOCKS,
Receives a GIFT, to be selected by his own choice.
All goods sold fully guaranteed, and sold only at a small profit, or at cost. Reason—
LARGE STOCK ON HAND, AND MONEY WANTED.
Cash advanced on all goods bought here, without charge of interest.
No charge on Jewelry, if once mended and broken again.
No charge for another watch glass, if put in and broken in two weeks.
WATCHES WELL REPAIRED and fully guaranteed for one year—and a GIFT is given when delivered.
JEWELRY LOANED TO BALLS AND SOIREES, at
dec17 1m H. FRANKO'S.

GIFTS! GIFTS! GIFTS!
From 25 Cents to $100!
From 25 Cents to $100
WITH EACH AND EVERY BOOK
AT THE
Crescent Gift Bookstore,
70 St. Charles street.

Elegant Annuals, Albums, Christmas and New Year's GIFT BOOKS, BIBLES, DICTIONARIES, HISTORIES, POETS, ROMANCES, TRAVELS, etc., etc.

All Books at Low Prices, and a PRIZE or GIFT worth from 25 cents to $100 with EACH BOOK at time of sale. LINCOLN & CO.,
dec12 1m 70 St. Charles street

G. P. HOUGHTON,
152......CANAL STREET,......152
NEW ORLEANS,

Manufacturer of SHELL COMBS. OLD COMBS repaired, to suit public taste, and made to appear as good as new, however much damaged.

Cash paid for shell. dec1

FINE ARTS.
M. OSCHWINDT,
Painter of Portraits in Oil,

Would notify amateurs of painting, and the public in general, that he has returned from his trip to the East, and that he will continue, as heretofore, to paint portraits from life, as well as from ambrotypes and daguerreotypes.

In compliance, moreover, with the often-repeated request of many persons, Mr. Oschwindt will open a SCHOOL OF PAINTING. Pupils desirous of entering said school may arrange with the proprietor, by addressing him at No. 132 Canal street, first floor, between Royal and Bourbon streets. Terms moderate. nov23 1m

Great Bargains! Great Bargains!
AT
DANZIGER'S
CHEAP DRY GOODS STORES,
Corner of Robertson and Orleans streets,
AND
125 Rampart street, (Late Circus.)

Having bought lately large lots of cheap goods at auction, I will offer them, at a small advance for cash, on TUESDAY next. The stock consists of
LACE CURTAINS,
EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS,
Plain and figured MOUSSELINES DE LAINE,
Ladies' black and colored CLOTH.
All fresh goods, and suitable for the Christmas holidays.
French MERINOS, double width, at 50c. a yard.
POIL DE CHEVRE, all wool, at 25c. a yard.
WOOLEN SHAWLS at 75c. a piece.
dec14 T. DANZIGER.

Sardines in oil, Champagne, &c.—In customhouse stores, entitled to drawback—207 cases sardines in oil, in half and quarter boxes; 150 baskets champagne; 300 do sweet oil; 47 cases fruits in juice; 40 do assorted preserves. For sale by
BRAILLA, COMMAGERE & CO.,
dec8 20 Customhouse st

Honey—New Cuba Honey, in tierces of 40 gallons, for sale by LAGORCE & XIQUES,
dec16 59 New Levee, opposite Natchez Alley

AMUSEMENTS.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.
Lessee and Manager......Mr. B. DeBAR.
Acting Manager......Mr. H. CORRI.

Fourth Night of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. FLORENCE, the Irish Boy and Yankee Gal.

THURSDAY, December 24, 1857, will be presented the drama of IRISH ASSURANCE—Pat, Mr. Florence; Mary, Mrs. Florence. After which the Protean farce of WORKING THE ORACLE—Mrs. Florence in five characters, with songs and dances; Mr. Florence in five characters. To conclude with the farce of the IRISH MORMON—Brien, Mr. Florence.

Doors open at 6½, overture at 7 o'clock.

Box office open daily from 10 to 3 o'clock.
dec24 C. G. CHRILEY, Treasurer.

SPALDING & ROGERS'S
MUSEUM AND AMPHITHEATRE.
St. Charles street, corner Commercial Place.

G. R. Spalding, Business Manager.
C. J. Rogers, Equestrian Manager.
Henry Ranlett, Treasurer.

Admission—Fifty Cents; Children under ten years and servants in attendance, half price to midday exhibitions.

Performances EVERY NIGHT, EVERY SATURDAY NOON, and on CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR'S, and EIGHTH OF JANUARY NOONS.

Box Office open from 9 A. M. to half-past 5 P. M.—Curtain rises precisely at half-past 7 at night, and at a quarter past 12 at noon.

THE NEW ORLEANS CIRCUS NOW OPEN—Grand Holiday Fetes—15 splendid scenes in the circle; and the holiday pantomime, the nursery legend JACK THE GIANT KILLER, at every night and mid day performance. dec21

VANNUCHI'S MUSEUM,
107 St. Charles Street,
OPEN EVERY DAY AND EVENING.

MONSIEUR ADONIS.

This King of Magicians, whose feats have astonished the world, appears in his Wonderful Soirees Magiques EVERY EVENING, and at 12 o'clock (noon) EVERY SATURDAY.

M. VANNUCHI has the honor to announce the arrival of Mrs. ELLEN BRIGGS, the Miniature Venus. Mrs. Briggs is 36 years old, and is but 35 inches high; she possesses a most perfect form, and speaks several languages fluently, and has been married sixteen years.

M'me OCEANA is the largest and fattest woman in the world, is 27 years old and weighs 583 pounds.

In the groups of WAX STATUARY the visitor will observe that fifty New Figures have been added, making the number over one Hundred and Fifty, the principal portion performing by the aid of machinery many of the movements natural to the living.

Also, a large number of magnificent COSMORAMIC VIEWS and a model of the steamship GREAT EASTERN.

Doors open from 10 o'clock, A. M., until 10 o'clock, P. M. Performances commence at a quarter before 8 o'clock, P. M.

Admission—50 cents; children half price. dec15 1m

TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
CHEWRE BIKUR CHAULIM,
OR,
Association for the Sick and Distressed.
Dress, Fancy Dress and Masquerade Ball,
—AT—
ODD FELLOWS' HALL,
On TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1858.

The following gentlemen have kindly volunteered to act as
—MANAGERS—

Hon. Chas. M. Waterman,	Hon. Gerard Stith,	
Hon. E. Solomon,	Hon. L. Adams,	
	Hon. J. J. Fabre.	
Isaac Hart,	S. Kaiser,	S. Wickert,
S. H. Levy,	G. Stone,	A. Wolf,
J. Mazner,	A. Lehmann,	J. Jay,
J. H. Singer,	H. Kaufman,	J. Cohn,
J. Dreyfuss,	H. Gonsenheimer,	M. Kaufman,
S. Loeb,	B. A. Isaac,	I. Gottenheim,
S. Godinsky,	J. Levy,	H. Franke.
D. Trautman,	B. Dreyfuss.	

—Committee of Invitation—
J. H. Singer, S. Kaiser, B. A. Isaac, H. Franke.

The Invitation Committee meet every Monday and Thursday Evenings, at 7 o'clock, at the office of the Ball room.

No lady will be admitted without her invitation card.

Each visitor must unmask before a committee prior to entering the ball room.

TICKETS—$2 50. dec17

HOLIDAY PRESENTS!
UTILITY AND ELEGANCE COMBINED:
LEIGHTON & BARBOT,
OF THE
OLD AND WELL-KNOWN STAND,
Corner of St. Charles and Canal Streets,

Respectfully remind their friends and the public that they have now on hand a very SELECT STOCK of GENTLEMEN'S FASHIONABLE CLOTHING, SHIRTS and FURNISHING GOODS, every article of which is well suited for presentation to a friend.

A present to be duly appreciated should be useful and seasonable. What can be more suitable than the following:
A good Raglan or other Overcoat;
A fine Dress or Frock Coat;
A rich Velvet, Silk or Cassimere Vest;
A good Shirt, beautifully finished;
A handsome Neck Tie, &c.

We have a very select assortment of these, and every other article of Gentlemen's Wearing Apparel, which we will be happy to exhibit to all who favor us with a call.

No trouble to show goods.

Remember the well known stand, corner of St. Charles and Canal streets.
dec22 tf LEIGHTON & BARBOT.

DURING THE HOLIDAYS
ALFRED MUNROE & CO.,
31......Magazine street......31

Will continue the sale of their MAGNIFICENT ASSORTMENT of
Fine and Fashionable Clothing,
AT EXTRAORDINARILY LOW PRICES.

The stock embraces the fullest assortment of GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING, of every description, BOYS' CLOTHING, of every description, MEN AND BOYS' UNDER GARMENTS, of every kind, CRAVATS, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS, GLOVES, SUSPENDERS, HOSIERY, etc., etc.; INDIA RUBBER GOODS, of every description, TRUNKS, VALISES, CARPET-BAGS, UMBRELLAS, etc., etc.

Patent Yoke Shirts.

We would call particular attention to our present excellent assortment of the popular Patent Yoke Shirts. These are the best fitting and best made shirts in the country, and we have now all sizes and styles. A fit guaranteed.

Should any dissatisfaction exist after the purchase of goods, they may be returned and exchanged, or the money will be cheerfully refunded.

No DEVIATION IN PRICES.
ALFRED MUNROE & CO.,
dec22 31 Magazine st

Toys and Fancy Articles.
A. BARRAUD & CO.,
134 Canal Street.

Now open, their immense assortment of Toys and Fancy Articles for Christmas and New Year's Gifts, offered at a great reduction, comprising—
Dolls, all styles, naked and dressed.
Children's Dressing Bureaus, Armoirs, Rocking Horses, Work boxes.
Two and four wheel Carriages.
Papier mache goods of every description.
An assortment of the richest and most varied Porcelains.
Ladies and Children's Fans.
New style Pearl Bracelets.
Satchels, Porte monnaies, Fine Hair head dresses.
Chenille Head dresses.
Swan and Silk Girdles for dresses.

Constantly on hand, a full and complete assortment of Trimmings, Ribbons, Perfumery, Brushes, &c. A. BARRAUD & CO.,
dec21 tjan1 134 Canal st

GIFTS!......GIFTS!
At C. DUHAMEL'S, Optician,
No. 30 Chartres st.

Beautiful New Year's Gifts, Stereoscopes and Views of all quarters of the globe, groups, monuments, cities, etc.
OPERA GLASSES.
New styles, very rich and tasteful.
MAGIC LANTERNS, POLYORAMAS,
JUGGLER'S BOXES, beautiful EYE GLASSES, gold and plated;
SPECTACLES TO SUIT ALL EYES,
with gold, silver, steel and shell frames. Fine warranted glasses of the best quality.
dec21 10t C. DUHAMEL, 30 Chartres st.

YOUTHS, BOYS AND CHILDREN'S
CLOTHING.
F. MALARD & CO.,
Nos. 58 and 60 Canal street, corner of Old Levee.

The subscribers have just received a large and varied stock of CLOTHING for Youths, Boys and Children, consisting of
Boys and Children's SATINET SUITS, attached—Light Gray and Steel Mixed.
Youths, Boys and Children's SATINET PANTS and JACKETS—Light Gray and Steel Mixed.
Youths and Boys' BLACK CLOTH FROCK COATS.
Youths and Boys' PALETOTS, SACS, RAGLANS, TO GAS, etc., etc.
Children's SACS, RAGLANS, TOGAS, etc.
Youths and Boys' TALMAS.
Boys and Children's LAMARTINE TALMAS.
Youths and Boys' CASSIMERE, SATIN, SILK and VELVET VESTS.
Youths, Boys and Children's CASSIMERE PANTS, with side stripes.
Children's VELVET FLY JACKETS, handsomely trimmed.
Children's FANCY CLOTH FLY JACKETS, handsomely trimmed.

The whole of their Youths, Boys and Children's stock of CLOTHING is got up in the most tasty manner, and is one of the best assorted ever offered in this city, and will be sold at LOW PRICES.
F. MALARD & CO.,
dec21 6t corner of Canal and Old Levee sts

F. MALARD & CO.,
Nos. 58 and 60 Canal street, corner of Old Levee.

We have just opened a very large assortment of
FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING
OF THE LATEST STYLES,
which we offer for sale at LOW PRICES. Our assortment consists in part of—
Fine French Cassimere OFFICE SUITS—Coats, Pants and Vests alike.
Fancy Cassimere PALETOTS, SACS and OFFICE COATS.
Tweed and Satinet PALETOTS, SACS and OFFICE COATS.
Black Cloth FROCK COATS—At all prices.
Pilot Cloth, Beaver, Lionskin RAGLANS, OVERSACS.
BURNOUS, CLOAKS, etc.
Superfine Silk Plush SULTANA RAGLANS.
MOSCOW OVERCOATS, trimmed with Plush.
Fine Black Doeskin PANTS.
Colored Cassimere do
Black and Colored Union, Cassimere and Satinet PANTS.
Silk and Satin VESTS.
Plush and Velvet VESTS.
Cassimere and Satinet VESTS.
BLANKET COATS.
Fishing MONKEY JACKETS and COATS.
A complete assortment of
Youths, Boys and Children's Clothing,
Consisting of
FROCK COATS, RAGLANS, Montechristos, Talmas, Togas, Overcoats, Jackets, Pantaloons, Vests, etc.
We also have a fine stock of SHIRTS, Undershirts, Drawers, Socks, Cravats, Gloves, Suspenders, etc.
F. MALARD & CO.,
58 and 60 Canal street
dec21 6t corner of Old Levee.

Westphalia Hams—10 genuine Westphalia Hams. For sale by CAMILLE LACOSTE,
Successor to Forbes & Bordelois,
dec12 corner Royal and Dumaine sts

SOUTHERN LOTTERY,
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA,
ON THE HAVANA PLAN OF SINGLE NUMBERS.
ANDERSON & SON, Managers.
Jasper County Academy Lottery,
BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

Our Lotteries draw in Macon, Georgia, (Small Schemes) every Saturday, and in Savannah, Ga., (Large Schemes) about the 15th of every month.

CLASS FF.
Drawn January 15th, 1858, at
Armory Hall, Savannah, Georgia,
Under the Sworn Superintendence of
W. R. SYMONS and J. M. PRENTISS, Esquires.

Nearly 1 Prize to Every 9 Tickets.
30,000 TICKETS—3,280 PRIZES.
Prizes Payable Without Deduction!

CAPITAL PRIZE, $45,000.

1 Prize of		$45,000
1	"	25,000
1	"	10,000
1	"	5,000
1	"	4,000
1	"	3,000
5 Prizes of $1,000 are		5,000
5	" 500	2,500
100	" 100	10,000
50	" 50	2,500

APPROXIMATION PRIZES.

4 Prizes of $225 to $45,000		$900
4	" 150 to 25,000	600
4	" 100 to 10,000	400
4	" 80 to 5,000	320
4	" 50 to 4,000	200
4	" 40 to 3,000	160
4	" 25 to 2,000	100
3000	" 20 are	60,000

3,280 Prizes, amounting to......$[illegible]
Whole Tickets, $10; Halves, $5; Quarters, $2 50.

Look to your interest, and compare this scheme with any other.

Certificates of Packages of Ten Tickets are sold at the following rates, which is the risk:
10 Whole Tickets......$70 00
10 Half Tickets......35 00
10 Quarter Tickets......17 50

Saturday Small Scheme.
CAPITAL......$12,000.

To be drawn in Public, at Macon, Georgia, EVERY SATURDAY.

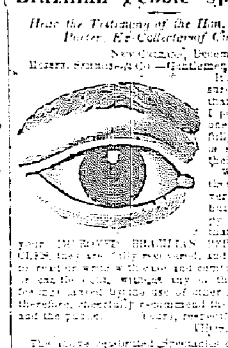
Whole Tickets, $4; Halves, $2; Quarters, $1.

Bank notes of sound banks taken at par. Checks on New York remitted for Prizes. Address orders for Tickets or Certificates of Packages of Tickets to
ANDERSON & SON, Managers,
oct14 1y Macon or Savannah, Ga.

SEMMONS & CO.'S
Brazilian Pebble Spectacles.

Hear the Testimony of the Hon. Thomas C. Porter, Ex-Collector of Customs.

New Orleans, December 15, 1857.
Messrs. Semmons & Co.—Gentlemen:



It affords me pleasure to inform you that the spectacles I purchased about one year ago have fully proved all that is said concerning their advantages. When I bought them my eyes were very weak, and I am now happy to inform you that, by the use of your IMPROVED BRAZILIAN PEBBLE SPECTACLES, they are fully restored, and I am now able to read or write with ease and comfort, both by day or candle light, without any of those unpleasant feelings caused by the use of other glasses. I can, therefore, cheerfully recommend them to my friends and the public. Yours, respectfully,
THOS. C. PORTER.

The above celebrated Spectacles can be obtained at Messrs. D. KERNAGHAN & CO.'S, 28 Canal street, who are the only authorized agents for this State, and from them only can the genuine Brazilian Pebble Spectacles be purchased, who would advise the public against unprincipled dealers, who try to palm off their worthless wares, representing them to be of Messrs. S. & Co.'s manufacture.

Mr. SEMMONS can now be consulted from 9 A. M. until 5 P. M. at
D. KERNAGHAN & CO.'S,
28 Canal street.

Southern Pacific Railroad Company.
New Orleans, December 19, 1857.

Resolved, That the Board of Directors confirm the Report of the Investigating Committee, and concur in the opinion of said committee, as therein expressed; that, although errors of judgment may have been made by the Executive Committee in New York, no frauds have been committed by said Executive Committee in the issue of the stock of this company.

Resolved, That from the examination of the minutes of the Executive Committee, and of the stock book of the company, it appears that [illegible] stock has been sold and issued by the Executive Committee to any parties under par.

Resolved, That a full report of the condition of the company be published as soon as practicable, and that the above resolutions be published in the newspapers in New Orleans.
(Signed) By order of the Board,
dec21 6t G. C. LAWRASON, Sec'y.

Coal at 50 Cents per Barrel.
10,000 BARRELS American Cannel Coal, an excellent article for the grate. Try it. Good Coal and good measure [illegible] at [illegible] Place, opposite the Post office.
dec21 [illegible] F. H. WILLIAMS, Agent.

Fire Wood.
To arrive per steamboat Post Boy, from Atchafalaya, nine hundred cords assorted Fire Wood. For sale by PAUL LACROIX,
dec21 [illegible]

Consumption and Dyspepsia.
DR. J. P. LANGDON

Respectfully informs the citizens of New Orleans that he has arrived in this city, and will devote his entire time and attention to the treatment of diseases of the Lungs, Throat and Stomach.

Having spent many years in the [illegible] treatment of [illegible] East and West, [illegible]

Examinations [illegible]

Office, corner of Camp and Natchez streets, second floor, [illegible]

OFFICE OF THE NEW ORLEANS AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY,
New Orleans, December 19th, 1857.

The annual election for Directors will be held in accordance with [illegible] on MONDAY, the [illegible] 1858, between the hours of [illegible]
ALBERT G. BLANCHARD, Sec'y.

CITIZENS' BANK OF LOUISIANA,
New Orleans, December [illegible], 1857.

Notice—A dividend [illegible] of the City of New Orleans [illegible] City Bank, Samuel T. Bayly, [illegible] and Joseph Bowers, [illegible], Agent of the Consolidated Railroad Company, [illegible] New York, on the [illegible] January next, are hereby [illegible] to the [illegible]
dec23 [illegible] F. ROUSSEAU, Cashier.

CITIZENS' BANK OF LOUISIANA,
New Orleans, Dec. 23, 1857.

This Bank will be closed on CHRISTMAS DAY, 25th inst., and on New Year's Day, and notes falling due on those days will be payable on the days preceding, Thursday and [illegible]
dec23 2t F. ROUSSEAU, Cashier.

BANK OF LOUISIANA STATE BANK,
New Orleans, December 23d, 1857.

This Bank will be closed on [illegible] and on the [illegible] January next [illegible] WEDNESDAYS [illegible]
[illegible] Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE NEW ORLEANS INSURANCE COMPANY,
New Orleans, December [illegible]

The stockholders are requested to [illegible] for cancellation [illegible] according to the [illegible]

Louisiana State Bank,
New Orleans, Dec. 23, 1857.

This Bank will be closed on Christmas Day and on Fridays, [illegible] New Year's Day and the 8th of January [illegible] due on those days [illegible] THURSDAYS [illegible]
dec23 [illegible] A. ST. ROMES, Cashier.

New Orleans, Opelousas and Great Western Railroad Company.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the company, that the election [illegible] on MONDAY, the [illegible] of January [illegible] and an election for [illegible] WEDNESDAY, the [illegible]
dec18 BENJ. F. FLANDERS, Secretary.

Notice.

The following named persons will please call at the Belgian Consulate, No. 12 Conti street, on important business—
LOUIS DE WISPELAERE, LEONARD NEIRYNCK, CHARLES CORBUSY, [illegible]
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Genuine Grand Tombola
$12,000,
ON A NEW PLAN,
AT H. FRANKO'S,
NO. 160 POYDRAS STREET.

Tickets, $1 00—Each Ticket a Prize
SIX HUNDRED CAPITAL PRIZES

CONDITIONS:

All Prizes of One Hundred Dollars and upward will be cashed, if not wanted, at a small discount.

All Prizes under One Hundred Dollars can be exchanged for any article of goods, of the same value, at the store of H. FRANKO.

All Prizes of Watches and Clocks gained will be guaranteed for one year to keep time, free of charge.

All Prizes are fully guaranteed, and put up at a very low retail price.

The drawing will take place publicly, at Armory Hall, as soon as the tickets are all sold, and will be superintended by gentlemen chosen from among the audience, at the time of the drawing.

All numbers winning Capital Prizes will be published in the daily papers.

All named Prizes are on exhibition at the store adjoining H. Franko's Jewelry Store, 160 Poydras street, two houses from the corner of Carondelet, next to C. C. Wayland & Co.

Tickets, at one Dollar each, may be had there.

For minute description of prizes, see hand bills.
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TOMBOLA.
Or, Sale by Subscription.

16,000 TICKETS at $1, 815 prizes, representing a real value of $16,000. Exhibited at Nos. 161 and 163 Royal street.

The first two lots are a property at 21 Petit street, worth $2,000; another property in Mandeville, worth $2,800. Plans exhibited as above. Persons drawing prizes will be put in possession of the same without any cost.

The other prizes comprise splendid bracelets, Diamond Sets, very valuable double-case Watches, gold and silver Watches, some Silver-ware, large and small Paintings, Guns, Pistols, Cutlery, Glassware, Jewelry, &c. &c. The whole valued very low, and can be seen on the lots, which may be examined at all times. Each ticket bears my signature.
DOUCHET.

Any one taking 10 tickets will be entitled to an extra ticket.

300 tickets will be distributed for the benefit of the orphans. nov21

Claret—400 boxes St. Julien Claret, 12 bottles each, landing ex ship Uncle Joe, from Bordeaux, and for sale by EUG. ROCHEREAU & CO.,
dec9 17 and 19 St. Louis st