The New-Orleans Bee.

No. 39, VOL. VIII.—NEW SERIES.
VOL. XIX.—WHOLE No. 5044.

NEW-ORLEANS, SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 22, 1846.

MAGNE & WEISSE, PROPRIETORS, No. 21 Chartres street
State & Third Municipality Official Journal.

TERMS OF THE BEE:

DAILY PAPER (one year in advance).....$12 00
COUNTRY PAPER, Semi-weekly, (one year in advance).....5 00

[All cases the subscriber must give one week's notice in writing, before he can be allowed to discontinue.]

ADVERTISING—One dollar for every TEN lines, for each language on the first insertion, and HALF that price for each subsequent one. No Advertisement inserted for less than one dollar for each language.

Advertisements not specified as to time will be published one month, and charged accordingly.

Advertisements inserted at intervals will be charged one dollar for every TEN lines, for each language and for each insertion.

☞ The privilege of Annual Advertisers is limited to advertisements strictly within the line of their business.

MAGNE & WEISSE.

OFFICIAL.

☞ NOTICE is hereby given that a contract has been entered into between the undersigned and Messrs. MAGNE & WEISSE, Proprietors of the BEE Newspaper for the publication, during the ensuing calendar year (1846) of all the advertisements required by the act of March 16th, 1843, for the price of *ONE DOLLAR* for every hundred words for each publication and in each language.

WM. DEBUYS, State Treasurer.
ROB'T C. NICHOLAS, Sec'y of State.
New Orleans, 27th Dec. 1845.

ED. CLAGUE, No 36 Old Levee—*Importer of Havana Produce, Tobacco, Sugar, Coffee, &c.* f20

WILLIAM DAVIDSON & CO., COTTON FACTORS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, 81 Canal. n10

WM MURE, BRITISH CONSUL, 10 Musson's Buildings, cor Royal and Canal sts. f4

TATOUT BROTHERS—*Importers of Every Goods, French, English and German*, corner Chartres and Toulouse streets. f4

F. T. HOURON, SURGEON DENTIST, corner of St. Louis and Burgundy streets. Office open from 8 o'clock A. M. until 6 P. M. n11

J. BERRIER, FRANCIS COLLIN.
J. F. MERCIER & Co., COMMISSION MERCHANTS AND COTTON FACTORS, 9 Old Levee, have constantly on hand fresh Groceries, Wines, Liquors, &c., at moderate prices.

A. D. RINCK, PORTRAIT PAINTER, respectfully informs his friends and the Public that he has received to Rooms at No. 20, between Canal and Custom House sts. 3l2

COMMISSION HOUSE.

To Southern and Western Merchants.

THE subscribers have on hand and are constantly receiving from the best manufactories in the Eastern States a general assortment of Boots and Brogans, which they will sell at very low prices for cash, they being the sole agents.

They are also agents for several of the best Tanneries in the country, and have constantly on hand a large assortment of Leather.

N. B.—Cash advances on Leather and Western Produce made at sight.

DOWLER & WHALL, Commission Merchants,
Levi A. Dowler, No. 21 and 22 Perdido street, Boston.
Joseph B. Whall, N. Y.

REFERENCES:
Messrs. Jos. Whitney & Co., Boston.
Josiah Morse, do.
Messrs. Spofford Tileston & Co.,
Shepherd Knapp, Esq., New York.
Messrs. C. M. Lesige & Co.,
Messrs. Haddock, Haraltine & Read, Philadelphia.
Messrs. Pollard, Jenkins & Co., Baltimore.
Messrs. Forrest, Humphreys & Co., Albany. n30

J. S. DE PALOS,

PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES, Author of a new and entirely Practical Method of Teaching the French and Spanish Languages.

HIS mode of teaching languages is the result of many years study and practice, by which he has succeeded in teaching persons who have studied by any other system in a few months what they had failed to attain after years of study. He has become perfect in either the French, Spanish, Italian or Latin Languages, by the three methods of S. D. Palos.

TERMS PER MONTH—Pupils in Classes, as the number increases a week of one hour's duration, $2 each. One night in all $12, payable in advance. Gentlemen wishing to join any of the Day or Evening Classes are requested to enter their names at the Academy, No. 21 Exchange Place, where he can be found from 9 o'clock in the morning until 12 M., and from 3 to 5 in the evening until 8. f4

MILITARY NOTICE.

THE members of the YAGER BAND, respectfully inform the public of New-Orleans that they have purchased of Dielman, Baltz & Co. a band to be known hereafter as the NEW ORLEANS BRASS BAND, and having provided themselves with a new and splendid uniform are prepared at all times to furnish music for military and civic parades, ball parties, serenades, &c. &c.

All orders being left at John Lindner's music store, 47 Chartres street, Mr. B. Cayce's, corner of Union and Camp, or at Mr. Child's, leader, No. 257 Camp st., will meet with prompt attendance. f21 n1

Orchestra for Balls.—Mr. F. Legendre, Leader of the Band of the St. Louis Hall Rooms and Washington Battalion Armory, offers his services for Soirees, Balls, Weddings, Parties, &c. &c.

Mr. Legendre is prepared to play the latest quadrilles and most fashionable waltzes.

His terms will be very moderate.

Apply at No. 224 Dauphine street, or at the Rooms of the above Ball Rooms. n30 3m

FRENCH SHIRTS,

NO. 77 ST. LOUIS STREET, BETWEEN ROYAL AND BOURBON.

MADAME HENRY, from Paris, has the honor to inform the gentlemen of fashion in New Orleans that having lately arrived, she has established a depot for the special purpose of Shirt making to order and by the piece. Having been for several years in the establishment of the celebrated Madame Parisan, she trusts to obtain the patronage of the connoisseurs as well by the excellence of her work, as by the promptitude and fineness of the materials. She attends also to the various kind of Ladies' fancy work, not particularly known in a work, cloth work, and stitch.

Madame Henry is in want of a good needlewoman, and will take apprentices for both kinds of work. f14

DENIS COUTEAU, *Morning Tailor*, No. 33 Old Levee street, corner Bienville, has the honor to inform his friends and the public that having secured the services of Mr. Pat. Ryan, advantageously known in this city, he will continue, as heretofore, to make every kind of clothing, which both as regards the cut and the workmanship cannot be surpassed. His prices are very moderate.

He has also the pleasure to inform his numerous friends that he will sell at very reduced prices the following articles, received by late arrivals in Europe and the North:

Paletots, Overcoats, Pantaloons, Waistcoats, &c. &c. &c. d6

MR. JACQUES LAROSE informs Sugar Planters, Merchants &c., that he places at their disposal the steamboat WAVE, Captain A. Tamboury, for the transportation of Sugar and Molasses. For arrangements apply to J. LAROSE, 71 Old Levee st. n11

DR. COMMINGS — SURGEON DENTIST

DR. DUPERRON has the honor to inform the citizens of New Orleans that having established his office at Dr. Commings, he trusts that those persons who have heretofore honored him with their confidence will continue to do so. He can recommend Dr. Commings, who fully merits all his talent and capacity.

Dr. E. Commings informs the public that his office will be open from 6 o'clock A. M. to 9 P. M. at No. 240 Bourbon street, between Main and St. Philip. f22

DUFFAU & Co have the honor to inform the friends of the Public that they have bought from Mr. Jacob Fry the stables and Omnibus Line, No. 28 Bourbon, corner St. Louis street, take their predecessors; they will keep the same horses and vehicles, and will have constantly additional vehicles at very moderate prices.

Mr. Duffau will, as heretofore, continue his profession of Veterinary Surgeon and Horse doctor, at his 141 Burgundy street, and undertake also to sell or buy horses. f2 3m

NOTICE.—The undersigned having come to the certainty that a large quantity of spurious *sweet potatoes* is daily sold or sent into the country by some *unprincipled* dealers and other petty retailers, most unscrupulously using my name, as well as empty bars bearing my cards and labels, taken by the method of information as country merchants and consignees of this trade, in order to avoid this day they may not be deceived again by this most unqualifiable fraud.

N. B.—From this day, the labels bearing the name of my house and the designation of the quality of the stock will be inserted under the cover of the jars, and no longer pasted on the outside as heretofore.

A DELPIT, No. 1681, Levee st. a10—6m

TO CAPTAINS OF VESSELS.—Masters of vessels will find a boat in readiness to tow their vessels up or down the Coast to take in cargo, or from one part of the port to another, by applying at the First Municipality Steam Ferry Wharf, opposite the Public Square.

This boat has been built expressly for towing and has sufficient power to move the largest class of ships. She will be continually kept up so as to give immediate attention to orders. Terms most liberal. n29

Agency Sun Mutual Insurance Comp'y.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 13, 1845.

THE SUN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY of New York, in pursuance of their Charter, closed their accounts on the fourth of last month, and after paying all their losses, including those of the great fire on the 19th of July last, have remaining in cash assets, $975,879 91. Since then the premium notes and cash received for risks taken, exceed $100,000, which added to the above, make a fund of at least $780,000.

Since the 4th of last month, the parties doing business with the Company, do not share, in any way, with the losses of the preceding year, which, with the means above stated, the undersigned believes, present more than ordinary protection and inducements to persons desiring insurance.

Policies against the perils of Fire, Rivers and Seas, continues to be issued by L. MATTHEWS, Agent,
a14—1f corner of Camp and Common sts.

MUTUAL INSURANCE.

THE General Mutual Insurance Company of New York having assumed and taken over the unexpired risks of the Ocean Mutual Insurance Company of this city (which Company has gone into liquidation), are prepared to insure against Fire, River and Marine Risks, at the late office of the Ocean Insurance Company, No 45 Camp street, on the most favorable terms.

The "General Mutual Insurance Company" have a large capital well invested; they have paid back to the persons who have insured with them 62 per cent. of their premiums, during the past three years, in script, bearing six per cent. interest, payable annually; and as the business of the Company is conducted altogether on the mutual principle—that is, dividing among those who pay the premiums the entire profits of the office—as large a dividend as is paid by any other mutual office may be confidently expected from their future operations.

This Company offers the additional advantage to those who insure with them, of paying their losses either in New York or New Orleans, at the option of the insured.

CHAS. HEGGIE, } Agents.
EDW. CODDEN, }
Office No 45 Camp street. n18-1y

SHEET LEAD AND IMPROVED PATENT LEAD PIPE.—The subscriber continues to manufacture his improved Leaden Pipe, and solicits the attention of Planters and others to the same. The pipe is of great benefit for the conveyance of water from long distances, either from springs or by means from steamers, and merits the notice of residents on the Coast for the supply of their establishments. It can be made of any bore, from one-fourth to four inches calibre, as may be required, and affords decidedly the cheapest medium for the purpose.

Orders for the above will be filled at short notice by application to the manufacturer.

W W THOMPSON, St. Louis, Mo.,
Or to Messrs. Hyde & Goddard, New Orleans.
s22—1y KENNEDY & DIX, 73 Perdido st.

NOTICE TO AMATEURS.—MR. BONNA, Horticulturist from Paris, arrived by ship Madison, on 20th January, has the honor of informing Amateurs of PLANTS AND FLOWERS, that he has for sale a LARGE ASSORTMENT of the finest Flowering and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, Bulbs, Roots, Seeds, &c. &c. &c., which he will sell at very moderate prices.

Also, a large assortment of Garden Seeds, of the first quality, and of the growth of 1845, which he will sell at the lowest prices.

Mr. Bonna will be very moderate.

Apply at No. 224 Dauphine street, or at the Store of the above Ball Rooms. n30 3m

FRENCH SHIRTS.

MADAME HENRY, from Paris, has the honor to inform the gentlemen of fashion in New Orleans that having lately arrived, she has established a depot for the special purpose of Shirt making to order and by the piece. Having been for several years in the establishment of the celebrated Madame Parisan, she trusts to obtain the patronage of the connoisseurs as well by the excellence of her work, as by the promptitude and fineness of the materials. She attends also to the various kind of Ladies' fancy work, not particularly known in a work, cloth work, and stitch.

Madame Henry is in want of a good needlewoman, and will take apprentices for both kinds of work. f14

Sunday morning, Feb'y., 22, 1846.

22d February.

Perhaps no better proof need be adduced of the abiding veneration in the American heart for the great and virtuous, than the universal outpouring of joyous and grateful feeling with which the Anniversary of the Birth Day of WASHINGTON is annually commemorated. Cynics may prate of the ingratitude of republics and grumblers growl over the degeneracy of the national character, but while the people, with one accord, continue steadfast in their reverence for the civic glories which impart a mild and undazzling radiance around the history of the Father of his country, little apprehension need be entertained of the realization of such gloomy phantasies.

It must be remembered that the halo which surrounds the name of WASHINGTON emanates not from the bewildering glare of military conquests. His was not the renown of a NAPOLEON or an ALEXANDER—He unsheathed not the sword through lust or dominion, or with the frantic valor of the mere soldier for whom strife and carnage are redolent of charms. He aimed not at empire won by rapine and slaughter—He drew his weapon for the holiest cause that ever merited the succor and the smile of Providence—in the long, often dubious and sanguinary struggle that succeeded, he urged not courage beyond the limits of humanity, he sought not victory for the simple glory of the triumph. As his motives were stainless so was his conduct was irreproachable. His wisdom and valor carried us through the contest, and secured the liberty for the enjoyment of which that contest had been begun. This paramount duty accomplished, he clung not for an instant to the gauds and trapping of military fame, but casting them aside as beneath the appreciation of the philosopher and christian, he would have been content to pass the remainder of existence in the tranquility and peace of private life, but for the imperative call of his country, which in his old age as in his youth and manhood, he felt himself bound to obey. The Saviour of the Nation in war, he became its guardian and ruler in peace, and throughout his long, manly and eminently virtuous career, never once forfeited his title to the reverence and love of the people.

The respect paid to the memory of WASHINGTON honors the nation that bestows it, and hence we find that every country vies with our own in testimonials of the regard inspired by his character. What better evidence is needed of the majesty of truth and the potency of virtue. Men speak of NAPOLEON with varied feelings. Idolized by some, he is execrated by others. A CROMWELL, a MARLBOROUGH, a MONTGOMERY and the long array of military heroes inspire mingled sentiments of admiration for their prowess and censure for their ambition. With WASHINGTON the purity of respect, the fervor of esteem are unalloyed by any admixture with contaminating influences. He is regarded as the incarnation of wisdom and virtue—the patriot, the statesman and the warrior whose counsels and conduct were ever based upon principle the most inflexible, honesty the most immaculate, and a love of country incorporated with every fibre of his heart.

> "Where shall the wearied eye repose,
> When gazing on the great,
> Where neither guilty glory grows,
> Nor despicable state.
> Yes, one, the first, the last, the best,
> The Cincinnatus of the West,
> Whom envy dares not hate—
> Bequeaths the name of WASHINGTON,
> To show mankind there was but one."

Congress.—Feb. 12th.

In the SENATE on the 12th, a communication was received from the Secretary of the Navy, relative to a Dry Dock at Pensacola. Referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The bill for the relief of the sureties of Samuel Swartwout was read a third time and passed.

After acting on one or two private bills the Senate resumed the consideration of the resolution to annul and abrogate the Convention of 1827, relative to the Oregon question. The resolutions being read, Mr. Crittenden moved the amendment which he some time since submitted to the Senate as a substitute for the resolution reported by the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. J. M. Clayton rose and advocated the passage of the substitute in an elaborate and able speech. He said that the Senate now had before it two distinct propositions, essentially different from each other. The one reported by the Committee on Foreign Affairs gave no discretion to the President to give or withhold the notice, as circumstances might, in his judgment render proper, but directed at once to give the notice and relieved him of all the responsibility which properly belonged to him. The other submitted by the Senator from Kentucky, gave power and discretion to the President to act, as in his judgment the state of the question might require, and not his Mr. Clayton's, cordial approbation. The former he could not go for under any circumstances.

Mr. Clayton continued his argument by showing that the President could not possibly apprehend war, as he had given no intimation of danger, no recommendation of measures for defence. On the contrary in his message, he had recommended that the estimates for the Army and Navy be reduced, and they had been reduced accordingly. Neither had any intimation of the necessity of defensive measures been received from the War or Navy Department. Looking at these things, Mr C could not for a moment conceive there was any danger of war. He could not see exactly how the question was to be settled, but it was evident the President intended no war, but on the contrary, an honorable peace.

He would not discuss the question of rights because it might commit the Senate in a manner which might affect its action upon a treaty, should the President make one. He would reserve the question of title, until the Senate were required to act upon it.

Mr. Clayton was in favor of the notice, and thought that by Witholding it, the danger of war would be infinitely increased; but by giving in the form proposed by Mr Crittenden, we should add to the chances of peace.

He administered a severe rebuke to Mr. Allen for the bullying tone of his remarks, and for the insult he had offered to great Britain in asserting that she *dare* not go to war tor the maintenance of her just rights. The remark was calculated to arouse the pride of every Englishman. What would every American say were the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations in the British House of Commons, that American *dare not* go to war in defence of his just rights? Would it not provoke a war? After answering many passages of Mr Allen's speech relative to the naval strength of Great Britain, Mr. Clayton concluded by reiterating the opinion that war would not grow out of this question—but if it should come, not on his head but upon the heads of the President and his Cabinet alone would the responsibility rest.

The senate then went into Executive Session, and afterwards adjourned to Monday the 16th, Mr. Hannegan of Ia., having the floor.

In the HOUSE, there was little business of importance. After the reception of reports and resolutions, the Revolutionary Pension Bill was considered in committee of the whole. After much confusion, and the frequent absence of a quorum, the committee were brought to vote upon the amendments. The committee then rose, and without acting upon the bill the House adjourned.

On the 13th, the SENATE did not sit.

In the HOUSE, the entire sitting was occupied in the discussion of private bills.

☞ Our readers are all aware that in most of the New England States, the absurd law prevails that in all elections by the people, one of the candidates must have an absolute majority of the whole number of votes polled, or there is no choice. The consequence is, that in all closely contested elections, a third party, comprising a mere fraction of the people, can prevent a choice. The evils of this system have been particularly manifested in Massachusetts. We learn from a statement submitted to the Legislature of that State, that since 1828, there have been no less than one hundred and five trials to effect a choice. In some instances the number of attempts has been as high as twelve. Yet with this statement before it, the Legislature has quite indefinitely postponed a bill providing that in certain cases, members of Congress shall be elected by a plurality instead of a majority of votes. This is clinging with tenacity to a system of which every day's experience demonstrates the folly and absurdity.

HOW TO PART A CHAIN CABLE.—A letter from Buenos Ayres in the Boston *Journal*, states that the people of that country endeavored to obstruct the passage of the combined squadron up the river Parana, by placing a large chain across the channel; with small vessels or fighters placed under it at proper distance apart. It was a chain-cable for a line-of-battle ships. They had made every preparation to receive the enemy at the batteries—and as the vessels approached this obstruction, Captain Hope, in command of H. B. M. steamer Fireband, immediately steamed up to the chain, hoisted it with his ent block, and heaving it up to the cat-head, and in the midst of a heavy fire from the fort, succeeded in cutting it in two minutes from the shortest passage to it.

City Intelligence.

THE SEASON.—Notwithstanding the cold weather which has prevailed here during the greater part of the winter, and although the air is still raw and nipping, the trees in and about the city, have put on their dress of green, and the peach trees are in full blossom. Every thing gives evidence of the advent of spring that sweet time of the year, which so soon passes away, and leaves us to the trying ordeal of a longsome, scorching, and monotonous summer season.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—The Scholars of the Public Schools of the Second Municipality will celebrate WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY to-morrow, by assembling in Mr Clapp's Church at 11 o'clock, A. M. Mr. W. C. Micou will deliver an appropriate address, and the public is generally invited.

GENERAL COUNCIL.—This Council met yesterday evening and the following members were present:—Messrs Gardere, Forno, Jordy, Mercier and Morel. On motion of Mr. Mercier, Capt. Forno was called to the Chair. Mr. Gardere moved that the Council adjourn until Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, and that the Secretary notify the absent members to be punctual in their attendance. This motion was adopted and the Council adjourned.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—The performances this evening are "The Bride of Lammermoor" and, "Faint Heart Never Won Fair Lady," in both of which Mrs. Mowatt and Mr. Crisp will appear. In addition to these two pieces, Mr. Flemming will deliver the patriotic address called the "American Flag." After which there will be a pyrotechnic display of fire-works.

LAMENTABLE OCCURRENCE.—Yesterday Dr. Gunn and family, of Louisville, arrived here on board the steamboat *Benjamin Franklin*, No. 7. On leaving the boat between 4 and 5 o'clock last evening, the Captain, who had given his arm to Mrs. Gunn, were on the staging leaving the boat. Their daughter, named Hannah, a beautiful child, seven years old, followed, and Dr. Gunn and a married sister were descending the steps from the upper deck. At this moment a dray, with a hogshead of sugar on, was drawn up close to the staging, for the purpose of putting it on board, and the Captain and Mrs. Gunn had scarcely stepped upon the wharf when the draymen cried out, "Look out there!" The hogshead of sugar came rolling down rapidly, and striking the little girl, it passed over her, and her head was dreadfully crushed. Three nails entered her forehead, and one pierced the nose, entering the lachrymal duct. She lived about twenty minutes in an almost insensible state and then died. This occurrence no doubt occurred through the gross and reckless carelessness of the drayman, who, unfortunately, during the confusion of so lamentable an accident, sprang on his dray and drove off. We heard, however, that his number is known, and a large number of persons, besides the police, were in active search for him last night, and we sincerely trust that he may be arrested.

What makes this occurrence so painfully distressing, is the fact that Dr. Gunn had come here for the purpose of spending a few day is in our city. As it is, they ordered their baggage on board again, and instead of remaining with us in the pursuit of amusement and pleasure, they will return with sorrow in their hearts, to bewail with bitterness of spirit their visit to our city. Though unknown to us, we deeply sympathise with the feelings of the parents in their trial to meet with resignation the awful dispensations of Providence.

FOUND CONCEALED.—Moses Green was arrested the night before last, having been found concealed in the store of Messrs Purdow and Parent at the corner of Custom-House street and Old Levee. The clerk, Mr Labbe, entered the store at half-past 10, that night for the purpose of retiring to bed. He heard a noise, in the store, which induced him to search, and he found Green under the counter. Upon asking him what he was doing there? The prisoner said he was obliged to steal from necessity. Mr. Labbe then called the watch, and gave him into custody. Upon being searched the following articles were found on the prisoner: two pairs of pistols, 26 packages of cutlery, 15 pen-knives, one Bowie knife and a gumlket. When examined by Recorder Genois, he pleaded guilty, and his Honor sent him to the Criminal Court.

ARRESTED.—Frederick R. Bellinger made affidavit before Recorder Genois yesterday, that on Friday, he left a man named Adams Mulher in charge of his tailor's shop, in Marais street, between Bienville and Conti streets. At 10 o'clock yesterday, he returned to his shop, and found that several pieces of French drillings, cottonades, drilling pantaloons, 3 pieces of calico, 70 pairs of ladies shoes, some slippers and various articles, had been feloniously taken away. He also deposed that he suspects Mulher of having carried them off, and that they were taken to George Schmidt's house in Bienville, between Marais and Tréme streets. Mulher was arrested yesterday afternoon.

SAD ACCIDENT.—As the military were returning from the funeral of Lieutenant Lewis on Friday evening, a horse attached to a buggy became frightened at the music, which caused him to run on the sidewalk on the corner of Circus and Girod streets. Two little children, brother and sister, were playing on the pavement at the time, and both were knocked down. On being picked up the boy was found to have both his legs broken and the girl was much bruised in the chest and legs from kicks received from the horse. They are the children of a German baker, living close by on Circus street, and we are sorry to add that the little sufferers were not expected to live last evening.

☞ In another paragraph we give an account of a melancholy accident which doubtless occurred through the carelessness of a dryman. We are pleased to say that we are acquainted with some draymen who are courteous and humane, but at the same time we must avow that there are others who evince a recklessness in their manners and disposition highly reprehensible. Not content with being rude and indifferent to their fellow beings, their brutality to their animals is of frequent occurrence.

RECORDER BALDWIN'S COURT.—Francis Callaghan accused of stealing about $150 worth of tools from Mr. Lambert, was yesterday examined and discharged, the evidence being insufficient to detain him.

Christian Nelson accused of bigamy was discharged as there was no proof of his identity.

Albert Troxler, accused of having a dye representing one side of the Mexican dollar, was yesterday discharged as the affidavit was not considered sufficient to detain him. During the examination we saw two dyes before the Recorder, one representing the eagle and the other the *eagle* side of the Mexican dollar. They are both remarkably well executed.

COL. NATHANIEL FENTON, a soldier of the Revolution, died a few days ago in Chatauque County, N.Y. aged 83.

Oregon and the Tariff.

The N. York *Journal of Commerce* of the 12th inst. says—

What we shadowed forth two days since, as to a movement in progress at Washington for the adjustment of the Oregon question, is more distinctly announced in the following memorandum from a "very intelligent gentleman from New England, as communicated to the Express by its Washington correspondence, and published in that paper this morning. The correspondent, however, intimates his doubts of the correctness of the statement; or rather, declares the impossibility of its being correct; for he says "It is morally impossible that two-thirds of the Senate should be found willing to make the destruction of the Tariff the price of a compromise of the Oregon question. The transaction would be too iniquitous, and too infamous, to be tolerated for a moment by the American public."

We, on the contrary; are of opinion that the statement is *founded* in fact; though we doubt if the Tariff is *directly* involved in the case. This much of course, would be apparent to Mr Pakenham and the British Government, viz: that in case of a war, or great uncertainty in regard to our future relations with Great Britain, it would be necessary to adjust the Tariff on the principle of the highest possible revenue; whereas, if the Oregon question can be settled,—the only questions which at all endangers the peace of the two countries, or is likely to do for years to come, a reduction of duties on a multitude of articles will follow as a matter of course. It was in this way only, that we understood the Tariff to be involved in the proposed compromise. The following is the memorandum referred to:—

From sources of importance worthy of credence, I venture the opinion,—the conviction,—the *fixed fact*, that it is now, (this 9th day of February 1846,) so *agreed* point, that the Oregon question *shall be* settled on the 49°,—with an equivalent to us of no practicable value, and with a sacrifice of inestimable value: in *the which*, Buchanan and Pakenham are the tools in *the other hands*. A treaty is now being concluded on the basis of the 49th,the ratifications of which are to be exchanged —— months after Great Britain shall have reduced her duties on bread stuffs to —— per quarter, and *after* this government shall become obligated by law, (to continue for fifteen years, to levy no duties above 20 per cent on British manufactures, except on iron and coal.

Such—*such a* Treaty will be ratified by the Senate by a vote of 38 to 18.—Texas settling the question.

That some such scheme as that shadowed forth by the correspondent above quoted is hatching, the universal concurrence of the press abundantly proves—We have no idea, however, that a treaty of compromise of the Oregon question based upon a complete surrender to Great Britain of every protective feature in the Tariff, can obtain the constitutional majority in the Senate. By force of party drill the Administration majority may press through both branches of Congress a Free Trade bill, and thus indirectly obtain all that is needed to satisfy Great Britain and induce her to relinquish her claims to Oregon. But in the shape of a treaty, a vote of two-thirds of the Senate would be required for its confirmation, and we do not believe there is a single Whig in that body prepared to immolate the industry of his country at the behest of the President, and for the purpose of purchasing peace from Great Britain.

THE LEGISLATURE of Pennsylvania by a nearly unanimous vote in both branches, have passed resolutions in favor of the Tariff of 1842, and declaring that it ought not to be repealed. Pennsylvania has been swindled by Locofocoism on this subject, but is not anxious to be bragged likewise.

☞ Friday's Mobile *Herald* says "On Wednesday, a little after midnight, there was a very severe hail-storm. The stones that fell were, in some instances, almost as large as hens eggs. Happily the wind was not high, or the windows would have suffered considerably."

☞ The Montreal *Courier* publishes the following paragraph—

The British men-of war now on the North West coast of America are the Collingwood, 80, the Modeste, 18, the Fishguard, 42, the Talbot, 26 the Salamander and Cormorant, steam sloops.

On the South East coast are the Eagle, 50, the Vestal, 50, the Racer, 18, the Firebrand, steam frigate, and the Cyclops, steam sloop; the Grecian, 16, the Resistance, Spider and Crescent, troop and dispatch ships.

HORRID MURDER.—We learn from Mr. Adams a gentleman residing at Cozzucke, Greene county, about twenty miles below the city, that a most horrid murder was committed in that village the night before last, by a man whose name we were unable to learn. The victim was his wife, whom he strangled with a razor in a most horrid manner. To hide the bloody deed, he covered her up with the bedclothes, and left the house. When he returned, the house was burnt to a crisp. We are happy to learn that the monster was arrested, and is now in Greene county jail. Rum, of course, was at the bottom of this most foul deed.—*Albany Knickerbocker, 11th inst.*

ALLEGED SLAVERY.—The schooner Patuxent was recently captured by the American ship Yorktown, on the Coast of Africa, as being engaged in the slave trade, both vessels left for Bermuda, and from whence they are expected hourly to arrive. Captain Nicholas T. Davis, of the Patuxent, left the Yorktown at Bermuda, and came to New York. He surrendered himself on Thursday morning at the United States Court, and was taken into custody. The examination in relation to the affair will probably be deferred till the arrival of the Yorktown and her prize.

New York Express.

THE N. Y. Globe gives the following explanation of the sailing of the pilot-boat *W. J. Romer* from that port for Liverpool:

It appears that a gentleman who has for many years been extensively engaged in the manufactures of carpet at Astoria, L. I. left Boston in the last steamer, leaving his business in such a situation as to alarm his creditors, particularly those from whom he had recently obtained large loans under various pretexts. The Pilot Boat was chartered by them, and her departure delayed till the papers could be prepared with a view to the arrest of the fugitive in England. We learn from a source entitled to credit that the name of the refugee is Richard Clark, and that he leaves his creditors minus about one hundred thousand dollars.

A PALPABLE HIT!—The Columbus Correspondent of the Cincinnati *Gazette* tells the following good story

When the bill to create the county of Cass was under consideration in the House yesterday, Mr Gallagher, before the name was changed from Cass to Mahoning, moved to strike out the first letter from the name. Mr Hibbard said that this was the most barefaced attempt on the part of the gentleman from Hamilton, to name a county after himself. Thereupon, our member though nettled, was quiet for a short time.

FIRE.—About 7 o'clock last evening, a fire broke out in a kitchen in rear of Mr. Carter's stable, Exchange alley, which was extinguished before much damage was done.

And about the time our paper was ready for the press, another fire broke out on the south side of the Basin, which, it is feared, will do much damage to property in that quarter of the city. It originated in Mr. Warthen's tobacco box Manufactory. The warehouse of Messrs Henry Ludlam & Co., we are requested and required to say, has escaped all danger. *Richmond Compiler, 4th.*

☞ The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore *American* furnishes the following information:

The Committee on the District of Columbia in the two Houses of Congress, it is said, will report at their next meeting in favor of the retrocession of the city of Alexandria to the State of Virginia. The Virginia Legislature have unanimously consented to the reception of the city, and the Virginia members advocate the retrocession. It is doubtful how the motion will be received by Congress, but the friends of the measure are sanguine of its success.

The Committee on Elections, it is also said, will make a report next week in favor of the right of Mr Runk, the Whig member from New Jersey, to his seat. This right has been contested by his opponent upon the ground that he received the votes of the Students of the College. This vote, it is contended, is illegal. The Committee, five to four,—two of the five being political opponents, have decided that Mr Runk has been legally elected. The House will doubtless confirm the Report.

Official Report.

LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE—SENATE.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20th, 1846.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr RICHARDSON offered a resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our representatives in Congress to use their exertions to have a Light House erected at Bayou Bonfouca, in the Parish of St Tammany.

Mr MAYO, pursuant to previous notice, introduced an act for the transfer from Alexandria to New Orleans of appeals to the Supreme Court, from the Parishes of Jackson, Union, Morehouse, Catahoula, Caldwell, Ouachita, Franklin, Carroll, Madison, Tensas and Concordia, which underwent its first reading.

Mr MARKS presented a joint resolution requiring the Commissioners of the Port Hudson and Clinton Rail Road Company, appointed under the act of 1844, to make a report of the condition of the affairs of said Company within thirty days after the passage of said resolution.

It was adopted.

Mr FARRAR presented a resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee, composed of five members on the part of the Senate, and —— members on the part of the House, to wait upon the President [illegible] Messrs Parham, Martin, Felix Garcia, Brashear, Richardson, Mayo and Farrar the Committee on the part of the Senate.

The President announced that under the motion of the Senator from Ascension, (Mr Kenner) that so much of the Governor's Inaugural Message as related to the Tariff, should be referred to a Select Committee, he had appointed the following Senators to compose that Committee: Messrs Kenner, Felix Garcia, Durant, Taylor and Marks.

He also announced the following as the Committee to whom were referred, under Mr. Mayo's motion, the reply of the State Engineer to the call made upon him in relation to the Bayoucurri Cut-off. Messrs Mayo, Hunter, Porter, Taylor and Kenner.

Mr ADAMS, on behalf of the Committee on claims, reported adversely to the claim presented by —— Davenport, for the publication of the Governor's Proclamation for the sale of Public Lands, the said claim having already been adjusted by an act of the Legislature.

☞ Gentlemen are notice that he would introduce a bill on the subject of the purchase of the Jackson Railroad, [illegible] the appointment of Commissioners to [illegible] the same, [illegible] the Governor, [illegible] the Senate, [illegible] the Treasurer, [illegible] the Secretary of State, [illegible] the Attorney General, [illegible] the Auditor of Public Accounts, [illegible] the Register of the Land Office, [illegible] the Surveyor General, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Works, [illegible] the Superintendent of Public Education, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Buildings, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Printing, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Lands, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Roads, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Bridges, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Ferries, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Canals, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Railroads, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Telegraphs, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Steamboats, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Steamships, [illegible] the Commissioner of Public Steamers