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SUBSCRIPTIONS BY THE WEEK

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Another Guide: This Day.

A. D. E. Murphy, at 10 o'clock, at No. 97 Common street, sunny hour.
The E. Kopp & Co., at 10 o'clock, at Nos. 42 and 44 Old Levee, foreign and domestic fancy goods.

Stealing at Fires—A Suggestion.

Scarcely a fire occurs in New Orleans but property to some extent is stolen. At every conflagration hundreds and sometimes thousands of people crowd the streets within sight of the fire, impeding the exertions of the firemen, and rendering it easy for thieves to carry on their operations. Policemen cannot be spared in larger gladly to assist the profligate old of any one in removing their furniture or goods, and have neither time nor opportunity to see whether those volunteers honestly deposit their burdens in a place of safety, or walk off with them never to return. In this way a greater amount of property is stolen than the public can be aware of, for it is seldom that persons whose homes have been destroyed or have narrowly escaped destruction, either themselves or others, think upon this kind of loss. Nevertheless it is of sufficient importance to be seriously considered, and if there appears to be any way of remedying or lessening the evil, it should at least be given a fair trial. The losers in such cases not unfrequently lay the blame upon the firemen, that, perhaps, being the easiest suspicion to arrive at, and it is due to which the Department to adopt some plan which, if it does not always prevent these thefts, will afford a better opportunity of tracing them up and clearing the innocent from suspicion by fixing the guilt where it rightly belongs.

In looking about us for some plan of this kind the suggestion naturally arises that if the miscellaneous crowds of idle spectators could be kept east of the way, they would be on better ground would be better enabled to observe and watch suspicious characters, and keep their eyes upon goods that are being removed from the burning buildings. At the same time it would enable the firemen to do their work without the annoyance and hindrance which these crowds always create. People who are led to the scene of a conflagration by motives of mere curiosity, not only impede the firemen's extinguishment, and afford facilities for thieves; they frequently meet with some injury or even death, and are often in unnecessary danger. Walls sometimes fall and ladders break. Some firemen perhaps are running with a ladder, and a contemplative individual who is absorbed in admiration of the lurid flames or golden sparks, finds himself suddenly sprawling upon the ground or wounded by the spikes. In short there are a great many dangers which they are unconsciously liable to, sufficient to warrant their exclusion from the immediate neighborhood of a fire for business looking solely to their advantage.

The evil to which we refer has not been experienced in New Orleans alone. It has been considered sufficiently important to warrant investigation in the city of New York, and a plan was adopted there at the commencement of the present year which is reported to have worked with perfect satisfaction wherever it has been faithfully carried out. It consists of having all firemen furnished with a small metallic badge, without which he cannot pass through the police lines that are formed around the fire. These badges are numbered from 1 upward, without regard to the company to whom they may be attached to, and there is a register of the names and residence corresponding to each number. A sufficient body of police, detached from the nearest district office, are required to keep a strict watch upon property, and there being very few people around except those who are prominently distinguished by their badges, it is comparatively easy to prevent pillage, or to discover its authors if perpetrated.

In our city the firemen are not so large in number or so isolated from citizens in character as are in some of the populous Northern communities, and as free we see but few among them who do not wear the badge or uniform of their company. If, then, upon the breaking out of a fire, the Lieutenant or other officer in command of the police of that district in which the fire occurs, would immediately proceed to the spot with a sufficient force of men to form a cordon about the conflagration, excluding none save whose duty did not require him to enter, we think it would prove an effectual measure for good in many ways. The large class of "vagrants and dangerous and suspicious characters" who now make it a business to be present at every fire, would henceforward be kept out of the reach of many temptations that would otherwise, we fear, prove too strong for their private principles of virtue. Four or five police officers, stationed in a line across a street should be able to keep back a crowd. In the event of a fire occurring between two streets, eight or ten policemen would be sufficient at the two intersections, while the balance could look after the exposed property within the lines.

We think there is but one objection which could be reasonably urged against our suggestion. In large fires the assistance of outsiders to aid the fatigued firemen in working the engine brakes is gladly received, and this volunteer labor has often been found of important service. Even if the adoption of our suggestion would prevent firemen from availing themselves of this timely help, it would hardly be sufficient in itself to outweigh the many other advantages to be derived from it; but we cannot see why such men as are willing to give their labor at such a time, and where services are required, may not be furnished with badges that will entitle them to the privilege of remaining within the lines while they are so employed.

The regular firemen are always under the surveillance of their officers at a fire, so that if a dishonest character should happen to gain admittance into any of the companies, it would be difficult for him to pilfer without being detected by some of his officers or fellow members. But how easy it is for some of these volunteer aids to steal, and masterfully being taken for a regular fireman, bring a station upon the company he pretended to assist or upon the whole Fire Department. It is then to the interest of the companies for their officers to keep an oversight of their volunteers, which they could more easily do were they distinguished by badges, which, for the sake of convenience, could easily be carried in the engine hat for use on such occasions.

We hope that the Board of Assistant Engineers will look into this subject and determine to adopt the plan we suggest, or any other which might better carry out the object intended.

We publish the communication of a "State Rights Democrat," because we are willing to let him make known his views in his own language. We differ, however, in many respects from his conclusions. It is not our opinion that the South should dissolve the Union in the event of Lincoln's success; neither do we believe that the election of Everett would do little good, or imagine our correspondent's ideas on the subject at all practicable. But with this distinct disclaimer of all sectional views we have no objection to let a "State Rights Democrat" speak for himself.

BELL AND EVERETT MEETING.—There will be a gathering of the friends of BELL and EVERETT to-morrow evening at the foot of the City, States on Canal street. The meeting will be addressed by several distinguished orators of this and other States. COME ONE; COME ALL!

Mr. Baldwin, of Albany, Georgia, has a negro boy whom he proposes to pit against Heenan for any sum between one and ten thousand dollars.

PRESERVATION OF THE PRESIDENT.—The Montreal *Herald* mentions the presentation by the American Consul of a heavy gold chronometer watch and chain from the President of the United States to Captain John Russell, of the ship Canrobert, in acknowledgment of the humane conduct and twelve services of the crew of the United States mail steamer Arctic, wrecked off Newfoundland in June 1854.

ESCAPED.—The Vicksburg *Citizen* understands that from twenty to thirty convicts escaped from the Penitentiary at Jackson Friday evening last; among the number, one *Weber*, sentenced from Warren county, for an attempt on the Hotel Parson Green. We have not learned the particulars.

The Sheriff sold at auction this day, at ... at the City Sales, Common street, improved property ... on Bayou St. John, near Bernard, the ... and ... of ... Bernard Wolfenstein, Third District. For particulars see sale bills.

A DEMOCRATIC MEMBER OF THE LAST TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE FOR BELL AND EVERETT.—The Nashville *Union* of the 17th inst. last week a letter from a Democratic citizen of Cannon county, which has heretofore given about four hundred Democratic majority, declaring the ardent support of the only national ticket in the field—Bell and Everett. The *Banner* did not at the time publish the name of the writer, not knowing what his feelings might be in that respect. It now, however, states that the letter was written by Hon. Wm. O. McCall, the Democratic Representative in the Legislature from the county of Cannon. Mr. McCabe is doing good service for the National ticket. No doubt the Democratic citizens of Cannon county, and the whole Democracy of Tennessee, will follow such leading.

Hunt, there was the Bell and Everett Convention, where there was a lively time, and where there was a large crowd, and a good deal of enthusiasm. This body nominated a full ticket, and during the three days on the Fourth ticket, and during the State Committee power to fill vacancies.

Finally, there was a straight Douglas Convention called by the Jere Sammy cadres of the Democracy, and composed of the men with whom we have had to contend for the last two years. Here a full Douglas ticket was nominated, and here the Douglas platform was adopted. Here, too, the Douglas Committee was appointed.

The election of electors for Governor, is now, will result as it did last year.

Last night the Bell men of Fourth Ward, on the line of Canal City and Bayou Sara railroad, made the first, probably owing to an insufficient number of cars.

PHILADELPHIA, July 27.—The factory of Peale & Kline, on Second street, Penn., was destroyed during the thunder storm this afternoon. Other were much damaged. The building was 200 feet long.

POLITICAL ITEMS.

MORE ACCESSIONS.—We have the pleasure of announcing two more Bell and Everett papers in Louisiana. The Opelousas *Courier* has been transferred to the Constitutional Union party of St. Landry, and will throw to the breeze the flag of Bell and Everett. The Morehouse *Advocate*, which, like the *Courier*, had been silent, comes to us with the Constitutional Union ticket at its head, and filled with good political articles. We notice, also, that in Opelousas St. Martin, Morehouse, Ouachita, Jackson, and in fact in most directions, the Bell and Everett party are holding meetings and beginning to conduct a vigorous canvass.

A SEAT.—In Panola county, Mississippi, there is a small village bearing the name Sarah. A canvass of the votes of that corporation shows the strength of parties to be as follows:

For Bell and Everett	47
For Douglas and Johnson	27
For Breckinridge and Lane	9

Pretty well for Mississippi! While on this subject we may announce that the National Union Executive Committee of that State, after full consultation with candidates for electors, and friends from different portions of Mississippi, have adopted the following amongst other resolutions:

Resolved, That the Central State Committee of Mississippi have received accurate and reliable information from all sections of the State, and from this information, they are warranted in declaring, as they hereby do, that the prospect of carrying this State for Bell and Everett is most cheering, and insure them that, by proper exertions, it can be made certain at the November election.

Hon. Albert Pike, of Arkansas, has expressed himself in favor of Bell and Everett, as the *only national candidates* for the Presidency of the United States. He supported Buchanan in '56.

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Political Reflections.

"The people of the Territory, under the Kansas-Nebraska act, have full right to exclude slavery from it or not as they may think proper. This principle is as old as the hills, and as true as the Government itself."—*Breckinridge's Tuscaloosa Speech.*

The people of the Territory have no right to legislate upon slavery at all. The law declares that the normal condition of the Territory is one of slavery; the will of the popular majority cannot set aside the authority of the law. The law is, "*Quæadum rationis ordinate ad bonum communæ et aber qui curam communitatis habet promulgata.*" The rule provided by the law in this case is one of justice and reason: the Territory belonging to all of the States, the citizens of each have a right to go into it with their property, the law recognizing slaves as property, he having charge of the execution of the law in the Territory is compelled by law to protect it as such. In this there is no infringement upon the rights of the *Free States*. To deprive them of some of their privileges. But if the vast *people* of the Territory is permitted to set aside the law and legislate against the property of citizens of the slave States, it is virtually stricken out of existence from all participation in the enjoyment of ownership of the Territory. If the people of a Territory have a right to say that slave shall not be held as property in the Territory, they have an equal right to say that houses and lands shall not be owned by emigrants from the slave States, for to secure the principles of Squatter Sovereignty the will of the popular majority in the law, but, fortunately for civilization, the rights of his and property are held sacred by the more impartial hands of the popular will. The law has fixed a rule by which to decide the rights of property in the Territory, and that rule is the Constitution of the United States as interpreted by the Supreme Court, and the Executive is bound by his oath of office to enforce the decision of the Court, and to employ his power so, if it is necessary, the police and military force of the Government.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

News from Europe by the Steamship Bohemian.—The Napoleon Emperor—Austrian Concessions—Italian Disagreement.

QUEBEC, July 30.—The Montreal Ocean Mail Company's screw steamship Bohemian, Captain W. Grange, from Liverpool via Londonderry, reached here dock at an early hour this morning.

She left the port of Liverpool at noon on Wednesday, July 18th, reached at Londonderry Thursday the 19th, and brings fuller commercial news than was received by the City of Washington from Liverpool the 18th and Queenstown the 19th.

Liverpool Cotton Market.—Liverpool, July 18.—The sales for the three business days ending Tuesday, July 17, reached 24,000 bales of the Liverpool cotton market, were confined to 20,000 bales, of which speculators and exporters took 9,000, leaving 10,000 to the trade. The cotton market closed generally steady at last Friday's quotations. The sales on Friday were from 6,000 to 7,000 bales. The following quotes Middling Orleans at 5¾d., and Middling Uplands at 5¾d.

Liverpool Breadstuffs Market.—Liverpool, July 18.—Advices received from various points in England state that the weather for the crops continued favorable.

Messrs. Richardson, Spence & Co., Brylard, Athyon & Co., and others, report Breadstuffs closed generally quiet.

Indian Corn closed very dull. The prices of last week were barely maintained.

Liverpool Provisions Market.—Liverpool, July 18.—The Brokers' circular reports Provisions of various descriptions closed quiet.

Beef closed heavy, with buyers were looking for lower prices.

Pork closed heavy and the quotations of last week were barely maintained.

Bacon was quiet and selling at last week's prices.

There had been a good business done in lard and the market closed quiet at previous quotations.

[By Telegraph to Londonderry.]

Latest from Liverpool—Cotton Market.—Liverpool, July 19, P. M.—The sales of Cotton yesterday and to-day foot up 16,000 bales, of which 3000 were taken by speculators and for export, leaving 13,000 to the trade.

The market rules quiet, with a steady aspect of Tuesday, and the quotations are generally unchanged.

Latest from London—Money Market.—London, July 19.—The English funds have slightly declined.

Consols for money closed at 93¾ to 93¾.

European Political Intelligence.—The European political news by the steamship Bohemian has for the most part been anticipated by the City of Washington.

Nothing regarding General Garibaldi's movements against Messina was known, but it was supposed the city would be shortly attacked by the insurgents.

Naples remained in the same deplorable condition.

Later from Messina—Arrival of the Steamship Quaker City.

NEW YORK, July 30.—The United States mail steamship Quaker City, Capt. R. W. Shufeldt, has arrived at this port, bringing the latest Havana dates.

The business at that port was somewhat more active. The Sugar market closed firm at previous rates.

New York Market.—NEW YORK, July 30.—The European advices by the steamship Bohemian caused great excitement in the Cotton market; the sales amounted to 1,000 bales at 10¾c for Middling Uplands. The Flour market closed with a declining tendency; the sales added up 1300 bbls. at $5 10@5 25 for superfine State. Corn closed steady, with sales of 78,000 bushels at prices ranging from 61 to 64½c. There were 11,50 bbls. of Pork sold to-day at $18 80@19 for Mess. Baron Lard is quiet; the sales were confined to 350 bbls. at 12¾. Rice Coffee is selling at 15¾c per pound. Porto Rico Molasses is quoted at 35c per gallon. Sugar closed dull at a decline of ¼c; Cuba is quoted at 6¾ to 7¢ per pound.

Cincinnati Markets.—Cincinnati, July 30.—The Flour market closed dull at unchanged prices. Whisky is selling at 16½c. per gallon. Corn closed steadily at prices ranging from 60 to 61c. per bushel. Oats are quiet at 30c. for New and 32c. for Old. The Sugar market closed quiet; prices ranged from 6¼ to 9¼c. per lb. Coffee is selling at 13½ to 15¢. per lb. Molasses is quoted as 44 to 45c. per gallon.

River Intelligence.—Louisville, July 30.—The Ohio river at this point is rising slowly, with 2 feet 9 inches in the canal by the mark.

Three Persons Killed by Lightning.

Sabbath morning much excitement was produced in the town by the announcement that three persons were lying dead on Fish Island, a mile or two distant. On investigation it was found the bodies of three negroes had been there since the Friday previous, during the afternoon of which a severe shower passed over the city, accompanied by heavy thunder and lightning.

The facts elicited by the jury of inquest are as follows: Two of the negro men and a negro woman belonging to Venancio Sanchez, Esq., and to employ him so, if it is necessary, the police and military force of the Government.

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Chinese Cookery.

The Abbé La Mot has just recently published a singular article in the scientific journals, entitled "*De l'alimentation de tout*, in Chine, *pays Celestial*." We translate a few passages:

"China has long felt the need of wasting nothing; she has conquered her prejudices, has experimented with every thing, and has adopted as ordinary food many of the predestines of nature of which we make no use.

The lower classes were first to set an abstinence which the rich disdained. Through all inventions, children of necessity, have been made; and afterward they were followed by the rest of the world. I give a few examples drawn from the animal kingdom:

"The flesh of the dog, in Europe, is considered to be the worst of all meats; it is supposed to be entirely inedible. The Chinese deem it otherwise; they fatten their dogs when they begin to grow old, and eat them; the stalls of the butchers are furnished with puppies, just as with other meats. Indeed, the most gourmets have succeeded in breeding a kind of dog peculiarly adapted for the table, which they call 'the chery dogs.' It is a variety of the wolf-dog, with straight ears, which are characterised by having the tongue, palate, and the whole interior of the mouth black.

"It is said that in certain restaurants in our great cities, cat-meat is sometimes served up for that of rabbits. The resemblance in cooking of these mysteries; they consider cat-meat to be excellent, and at all butcher shops enormous cats are seen hung up by the head and tail. On all farms these animals are fattened by short chains, where they are fattened with the remains of rice from the family repasts. These, before killed, to a very large variety of rats, and the gluttonous life which they are thus compelled to live, renders it much more easy to fatten them.

"The rat, also, is an animal which occupies a large space in the food of the Chinese. Its flesh is eaten, as well as that of the cat and the dog, either in the form of pastry, which are salted being principally intended for consumption on board of the junks. The farmers finding the rat-hunting to be profitable, have invented many ingenious contrivances for breeding them. They have ratteries, as we have our pigeon-houses. They are made by furnishing places, which are in the form of a cage, with holes having a neck large enough to admit the hand. The animals take their holes, which are bricked long the interior, and which have been provided with nests of straw. They are then left to themselves, and multiply with astonishing rapidity. Children are employed to catch the young ones, and the whole Fire Department were turned out. Such trifles ought to be avoided and punished.

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