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To the Public.

During the session of the Legislature, the Gazette will be issued daily. We have made every arrangement to secure the latest intelligence, and are confident that we will be able to secure the liberal patronage of those who have hitherto allowed us so many favors.

To those living in this city the columns of the Gazette will recommend themselves as a proper vehicle of advertising, to which particular attention will be given. Those desiring at a distance, will find it a full and correct report of the proceedings of the Legislature, with notices of all the actions of this body upon the important matters which will occupy their time, and which will be of much importance to the State at large.

The first number of our daily will appear on the first day of the session. Our subscription list is now open, and we respectfully solicit subscribers.

We owe an apology to our readers for the non-appearance of the usual quantity of reading matter in our columns to-day. But when we say that the same accident, or something very nearly similar to that which occurred in the columns of the Advocate some time during the last high water, has caught us, we will be pardoned. However, we will clear away, and have space for all future contents.

Our Imp says he never saw, or wants to see, a more generous and appreciating public than the one he had the pleasure of delivering his address on New Year's. Besides giving him as much eggnogg as his time would allow him to stay for, they showed their kindness by being liberal in their gifts of bright half dollars—for which he is most grateful.

The Comet.—This new light shot across our editorial horizon on New Year's day. It's tail is held by our indefatigable neighbor of the "Magnolia," and W. Hyatt. It is to appear every morning, and we hope that it may be enduring.

Comet's do not generally appear at mid-day—or at 10 o'clock in the morning.—Can you change your hour neighbor?—A daily paper is best appreciated over a tea and toast or cold boiled eggs at breakfast. Besides the great object in a morning paper is that it enables every one to interrupt a friend who wants to tell him a bit of news by saying, "Oh yes, saw that in the comet," and pass on to his business.

Ball on the 8th of January.

Mr. Burns seems determined that if the citizens of our city do not enjoy themselves it shall not be his fault. He has already given one ball, which was entirely satisfactory to all who were present, and now he gives another on the anniversary of the glorious battle of New Orleans. From the arrangements which we know have been made, we can insure all those who attend a pleasant evening.

SOME OF THE CONVENIENCES TO BE DERIVED FROM THE NASHVILLE AND NEW ORLEANS RAILROAD.

The committee sent to Nashville upon this subject say in their report:—"If this road be started and the work under progress, great impulse will be given to the various roads now in projection, and in three or four years New Orleans will be reached from Pittsburgh and the northern lakes in sixty hours;—Nashville and Memphis in twenty hours, Knoxville in case Tennessee in forty hours, and Washington city in sixty hours."

This would in reality be bringing nearer and closer together the population and products of our vast country! Think of being able to go from this place to Washington in seventy hours. We could see a President inaugurated without being longer away from home than we now are when on a visit to New Orleans. We wish that all the stock in this road was taken, and that the cars were wringing over the track. We do not doubt but that we will shortly see it, for the work is of great necessity, and it must be built. After making most liberal deductions for losses &c., the committee are satisfied that it will pay an interest of twenty per cent. This is a sufficient return to engage the attention of capitalists.

Mr. Everett.—A sense of duty impels me to make the following brief statement. Several years ago, I began to experience sensitiveness of the ligamentous glands, and some of the third vertebrae attended with anxiety and restlessness at night, and a morbid difficulty in deglutition, and of indigestion when in any other position but a distention of those organs.

The above is the first paragraph of a communication signed, A PATIENT which appeared in the last Advocate. He goes on to say that he has been much benefited by the treatment of Dr. Wood. We have been inquired of by a great many what the patient's disease was, but had to confess our selves ignorant. Can't he translate it so as to let persons who are suffering from the same disease know where they can be cured?

By the latest accounts we see that the Ohio river was frozen over.

Mercantile Agency.

There has been an attempt to establish one of these agencies here within the last few days; with what success we are not positively informed, though we are induced to believe that the attempt completely failed.

The object of this agency, as our readers well know, is to enable a certain set of merchants of New York to be posted up in the affairs of the merchants with whom they have, or may have, business relations, and to accomplish this they have an agent in every parish in every state whose business is to report to headquarters all the reports about the standing of all persons who may be doing business in their District. In other words they plant in every community a Paul Pry who sees into every body's affairs and sends off a statement of them daily. We sincerely hope there is not a man in our midst who would lend himself to such an ignominious purpose, but for fear that some one may have been imposed upon without a proper knowledge of the responsibilities they incur, we would state that Mr. A. Tappan of New York was lately sued for having given false statements to his agency in reference to the standing of a certain merchant, whose credit he injured, and judgment for ten thousand dollars rendered against him; this is a good precedent, and we hope it will be followed.

We are constantly indebted to the E. D. WHITE, for the latest papers. No boat comes more regular to our wharf, and none should be a greater favorite with the travelling community. She is sound, staunch, and commanded by officers who are uniting in their exertions to give general satisfaction.

We received intelligence a day or two since from our former townsmen, that now sole proprietor and conductor of the Court Street Vandalia, N. O. Mr. V. Hebert. Those of our citizens visiting the city can be sumptuously served at his board.

Public Square.

The Police Jury.

About a year ago the Police Jury resolved to enclose the public square attached to the Court House, and we believe they are progressing, and that ere long the present unsightly approach to the Court House will be changed into a park, well planted with shade trees. The Board of Selectmen of Baton Rouge passed a resolution ordering brick-sidewalks to be made on the west side of St. Ferdinand and east side of St. Louis streets, including the public square; the resolution has been complied with, except by the parish, and at the last session of the Police Jury that body refused to make any appropriation for that object. We sincerely hope they will on Monday next give orders to have said sidewalks made—the Corporation of Baton Rouge, pays annually to the parish treasury taxes on the amount of one million two hundred thousand dollars worth of property, and receives no benefit of said fund, and yet when a small improvement is demanded, it is magnanimously refused. We have heard it strongly hinted that a petition will be presented at the next Legislature to separate the Corporation from the Parish. In the payment of taxes, the Corporation by such a measure, would have everything to gain and nothing to lose, and if the Police Jury persist in their refusal to make said sidewalk, we have no doubt the petition will soon be circulated.

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We can conceive no excuse for this. If we are entitled to mails, mails should be forwarded to us, and so forwarded as to insure their receipt within a reasonable time. Our principal ones come from New Orleans. Not a day passes but several steam boats leave that place, bound up the river, and we cannot see why letters and papers could not be sent by them one day as well as another.

We don't pretend to understand the manner in which this department is conducted, but it seems to us that there is something unnecessary in the dividing of the mail bags, as is done, one boat taking the letter mail, another the paper.

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Rail Road Convention.

The following gentlemen have been appointed by the Governor from this parish Delegates to the Convention which meets on the 6th January 1852. Dr. W. B. Scott, W. S. Pike, Chas. G. McLattin, Maj. S. M. Hart, D. B. Avery, Maj. A. S. Heron and Judge T. G. Morgan. From West Baton Rouge, Col. Nolin Stewart, Dubois, I. Trinsmond Landry, Raphael Hebert, W. R. Stearns and Dr. Vanglia. This delegation comprises some of the most intelligent men in our community, and we sincerely hope their business arrangements are such as will enable them to go to the city at this time, and take their seats in the convention. From their position and industries they will be of much service in that body. It has become a settled thing that Rail Roads are indispensable to the prosperity of the State. Her commerce and her agricultural interests imperatively demand them, and the time has come when the matter should be well taken in hand. The people must be up and doing, and the sooner they begin the better.

We have great hopes that the convention about to meet will be able to place the matter in such a train as will insure the speedy commencement of this great work to our improvement, and that it will devise some feasible plan by which the undertaking may be started and carried out.

One of the great obstacles to the Nashville Rail Road, we are convinced, is the distance between that place and New Orleans. The idea of a Rail Road nearly six hundred miles in length seems at first glance such a gigantic undertaking that we are not surprised at doubts arising upon its practicability. But this objection falls altogether to the ground, when it is remembered that it is the cost of the road which renders it capable or incapable of being made.

Now it is estimated that the cost of this road would reach to about eight millions of dollars. Well, eight millions of dollars is doubtless a large sum of money, but the magnitude of an investment is nothing.—The only question Capitalists ask is, will it pay interest? It was the answering this question in the affirmative which induced those living in the vicinity of the great Erie road, to subscribe and raise twenty millions of dollars for the building of that road, which is near one hundred miles shorter than the proposed one from New Orleans to Nashville. And the investment has been a lucky one for them, as the company are receiving about four million a year from it.

If any one will take the trouble to examine the relative sections of country through which these two roads pass, they cannot help being convinced that they force the conclusion that the travel and transportation on the contemplated Nashville road will far exceed that of the Erie. The vast and productive region of country through which the road will pass is of itself convincing of the freight which would be carried by it, while being on the direct line of travel for all persons from the South and West going North, the number of passengers it would carry would be immense.

Only start the work, and it will go bravely on.

The Mails.

The screw which works upon us in reference to our mails is terribly loose.—We know not the why or the wherefore, but certain it is that there is an irregularity existing in their arrival here, which is provoking, and which should be corrected.

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The Trasher Case.

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MARRIED.

On the 30th of December by the Rev. J. L. Lindebaugh Mr. H. B. WHITE, to Miss JULIA PARSON, daughter of Dr. C. R. French, all of this city. The above announcement, accompanied by a quantity of cake was handed to yesterday. We wish them all health and happiness.

On the evening of the 1st January at Mrs. J. Morgan's, by the Rev. W. Lacey, D. F. M. S. MARRIED. MATTHEWS, of New Orleans, to Miss ELIZABETH JANE SHARP, of this Parish.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Taxes d'Etat. Avis des porteurs de dettes et toutes personnes, qui doivent des Taxes d'Etat pour l'année 1851, que la récé des Taxes d'Etat est dans ma possession pour collections. H. V. BABIN, Sheriff.

State Taxes. NOTICE is hereby given to all persons owing State Taxes for the year 1851 that the said Tax Roll is now in my possession and open for Collection. H. V. BABIN, Sheriff & Collector.

Medical Card. TENDERS his professional services to the public in curing Cancers (without using the knife) Female and Chronic Diseases generally, on the principles of Dr. J. C. W. Lee, &c. may be consulted until further notice, at the residence of W. W. Kinchen Esq. nearly opposite his place. Baton Rouge Dec. 27, 1851. GUSTAV PICARD.

CHEAP STORE. THE undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens of Baton Rouge, and surrounding country, that he has this day brought the store known as the "New Orleans Cash Store," from Messrs D. Herre & Co. to the residence of the undersigned, and continues as heretofore at the lowest cash prices, and respectfully solicits a continuance of the patronage bestowed upon his predecessors. GUSTAV PICARD. Baton Rouge, 22d Decr. 1851. Jan. 1st. in.

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STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Parish of East Baton Rouge—Magistrate's Court. CHARLES HUBB, Esq. J. P.

By virtue of an order of execution issued in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, by John R. DuRoi, Esq., Justice of the Peace, in and for said Parish and State, I have caused to be sold at public sale, at the court-house door, in the town of Baton Rouge, on Saturday, the second day of February next, 1852, at 10 o'clock, a. m., all the right, title, interest and claims of the defendant, in or to the following described property, to-wit:

A certain piece of ground, situated in the rear of that part of the town of Baton Rouge, known as the late E. Beauregard, measuring in length front by two and a half arpents in depth, and bounded as follows: North by the lot of the late J. J. Burks, acquired by Charles Tassier, south by the public road leading to the late J. P. DuRoi, east by the lot of Charles R. Traylor, being the same property acquired by the defendant from Charles Tassier, on the 12th day of August, 1846, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, to pay and satisfy the judgment, interest and costs in the above entitled case.

Terms of sale cash, with the benefit of arrangement. Jan 3, 1852-61. H. V. BABIN, Sheriff.

STATE OF LOUISIANA. Parish of East Baton Rouge—Sixth Judicial District Court. JOHN MCKOWEN, Esq. J. P.

By virtue of a writ of a. fa. directed to the Sheriff of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, and State of Louisiana, from the Hon. the sixth judicial district court, in and for the Parish and State aforesaid, I will expose at public sale, at the court-house door, in the town of Baton Rouge, on Saturday, the second day of February, 1852, at 11 o'clock, a. m., all the right, title, interest and claim of Mary C. Weemes and J. D. A. Kirkland, her husband, in and to the following described slaves for life, to-wit:

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By virtue of a writ of a. fa. directed to the Sheriff of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, and State of Louisiana, from the Hon. the sixth judicial district court, in and for the Parish and State aforesaid, I will expose at public sale, at the court-house door, in the town of Baton Rouge, on Saturday, the second day of February, 1852, at 11 o'clock, a. m., all the right, title, interest and claim of Mary C. Weemes and J. D. A. Kirkland, her husband, in and to the following described slaves for life, to-wit:

Negro woman Nana, aged about twenty-five years, and her son John, aged about eight years; surrounded by the above named defendant, to pay and satisfy the amount of judgment, interest and costs in the above entitled case.

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