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Professional Cards.

LAW NOTICE.

MERCER CANFIELD, ATTORNEY AND COUNSEL OR AT LAW, AND NOTARY PUBLIC, will practice his profession in this and the adjoining Parishes. Office on second street, opposite Court Yard Square, one door below McCloskey's store. Office at Alexandria, La. ap13.

J. ORSBORN. W. P. SHROPSHIRE

Orsborn & Shropshire,
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law

WILL practice their profession in this and the adjoining Parishes.
Office in Alexandria, next Door to the Post Office. m18-1y.

Law Partnership.

WM. B. LEWIS. JNO. C. LEWIS. EDWARD T. LEWIS.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between Messrs. W. B. & J. C. Lewis, is this day dissolved, and a new one substituted therefor between Messrs. W. B., J. C. & E. T. Lewis, who will practice their profession in the parishes of Rapides, Avoyelles, Natchitoches and Catahoula. One of them will always be found at their office in Alexandria. Feb 23 '59-1y

H. S. LOSEE,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

WILL practice his profession in this and adjoining parishes.
Office 3d door below the Alexandria House.
jan12-1y ALEXANDRIA, LA.

W. B. HYMAN. A. CAZABAT

HYMAN & CAZABAT
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law,
dec10-1y Alexandria, La.

EDGAR E. VOORHIES. JAMES GRAHAM

VOORHIES & GRAHAM,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

WILL practice in the Thirteenth and adjoining Districts. Offices in Alexandria and Marksville, La. [aug 10-1y

Law Notice.
J. H. & THOMAS OVERTON,
Attorneys and Counselors at Law.

HAVING associated themselves in the practice of their profession, will attend regularly the Courts of the Parishes of St. Landry, Calcasieu, Rapides, Avoyelles, and the criminal courts of the Second District, at Alexandria and Opelousas. Office in Alexandria, La. ap27

J. N. RHORER.
NOTARY PUBLIC,
Office in the Court House, Alexandria, La.
feb 3, 1858-1y

ROBT. B. LOTT,
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,
Alexandria, La.

Office on Third Street near the Methodist Church, and immediately in the rear of the Rapides House.
aug12-1y

GEO. S. D. ANDERSON, M. D.
ALEXANDRIA, LA.

☞ Office one door south of the American Office, in the room lately occupied by Dr. Lamm.
August 17 1858-1y.

NOTICE.—ARCHIBALD M. GORDON, *CIVIL ENGINEER* and *SURVEYOR*, offers his services, in the above capacity, to the citizens of the Parish of Rapides. May 18, 1859-1y*

ORLEANS HOTEL,
Nos. 149 & 151 Chartres Street,
NEW ORLEANS.

MRS. CATHERINE LACHENMEYER,
PROPRIETRESS.

TRAVELLERS may rest assured that they will constantly find comfortable rooms, excellent board, polite and attentive waiters.
☞ On parle Français. Se habla Espanol. Man spricht Deutsch. sep 21, '59-1y

F. G. RANDOLPH & CO.,
RECEIVING, FORWARDING,
—AND—
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 50 COMMON STREET,
Dec15, 1858-1y *New Orleans.*

JOS. H. MARKS. ISAAC N. MARKS.

JOS. H. & I. N. MARKS,
WHOLESALE GROCERS,
—AND—
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
Nos. 43, 45 and 47 *New Levee,*
And 33, 25 and 37 FULTON STREET,
Between Poydras and Gravier Streets,
Dec15, 1858-1y *New Orleans.*
☞ Country orders promptly attended to.

CHAS. H. MYERS & BRO.
IMPORTERS OF
BRANDIES, WINES, &c.
No. 72 Exchange Place.
Mrh 16-1y BALTIMORE.

BELLOCQ, NOBLOM & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
62 Carondelet Street,
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
References— I. LEVY & Co., S. K. JOHNSON, } Alexandria, La.
July 6, 1859-1y.

U. WESTBROOK. G. W. PASSEL.

U. WESTBROOK & Co.,
CARRIAGE MAKERS & REPAIRERS,
CORNER OF BAYOU ROBERT AND SIXTH STREET,
ALEXANDRIA,

WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Rapides and adjoining parishes, that they still carry on the Carriage business in all its branches,
PAINTING,
TRIMMING,
WOODWORKING AND
BLACKSMITHING.

Having on hand a large assortment of MATERIAL of the best QUALITY, they will endeavor to do all work entrusted to their hands with dispatch, and to suit the most fastidious, at moderate prices.

In addition to our former business, we will keep on hand an assortment of BUGGIES and HARNESS, which we will sell at New Orleans prices and terms.

Give us a call before sending your orders to New Orleans. July 4-1y.

INSURANCE!

The following Companys have complied with the Law of the State of Louisiana in relation to agencies of Foreign Insurance Companys:
THOS. ASKEW, State Collector.
ADAM GIFFEN, City Treasurer.
New Orleans, June 7, 1859.

HOME INSURANCE COMPANY of New York.

HARTFORD INSURANCE COMPANY of Hartford, Connecticut.

SPRINGFIELD FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, Springfield, Massachusetts.

HAMPDEN INSURANCE COMPANY, of Springfield, Massachusetts.

ATLANTIC FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, Providence, R. I.

FIRE, MARINE, RIVER AND HULL INSURANCE. Stocks of Merchandise, Buildings, Furniture, Manufacturing Establishments, Freight Lists, &c., covered against loss or damage by Fire and the perils of Navigation.

POLICIES issued in and out of this city, and a return of twenty per cent. made in cash.

POLICIES issued for the country, without the country clause.

POLICIES, MARINE AND RIVER, issued in and out of this city, to cover Merchandize and Cotton, and unconditional return of twenty per cent. made at settlement on the first of each month.

The *CAPITAL* of the above Companys is all paid up in *CASH*, with large Surplus.

All losses adjusted and promptly paid in this city, in *CASH.*

The best of references given in and out of this city, on application at the office.

P. FAIRCHILD, AGENT,
aug24-3m 19 St. Charles St., New Orleans.

Important Notice
TO SUGAR PLANTERS!
CARONDELET REFINERY, AND BI-SULPHITE OF LIME WORKS.

NEW ORLEANS, 28th Sept., 1859.

THE very liberal patronage of which I have been the honored recipient, at the Sugar Planters' hands, for my **Bi-Sulphite of Lime**, has stimulated me to further efforts to expand the area of my business.

The extent, dimensions, and perfectibility of the machinery employed at my Works, the quantity and quality of the materials on hand, the economy and facility of labor which I have lately introduced there; the determination I have taken this year to devote all my time, attention, and energy to their interior management; all combined, place me in the position of being able to supply *any quantity* of Bi-Sulphite of Lime that may be required for the consumption of the State, and of *lowering the price of this invaluable chemical agent One Dollar per Barrel!*

I shall, therefore, from this date to the end of the season, sell my Bi-Sulphite af Lime, of 9 to 10 degrees Beaume, at FIVE DOLLARS PER BARREL—*Free of Drayage.*

ULGER LAUVE,
Proprietor and Manager.

Bi-Sulphite of Lime

From the above named Manufactory we have on hand and for sale. Planters in want of the article will please send in their orders at an early day and they will receive prompt attention.

H. ROBERTSON & CO.
Alexandria, Oct. 3, 1859-1m

FELTON'S
Self Sharpening Portable
GRIST MILL,
PATENTED
1855 and 1858,

FOR GRINDING ALL KINDS OF Grain, and Crushing Corn and Cob in the Ear.

EYRE & CHAMBERLAIN, Agents,
Alexandria, La. m2tf

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH!!!

GREAT EXCITEMENT!!
IN ALL POLITICAL PARTIES!!!

NEW CANDIDATES!

IN THE FIELD!!!
Independent of any Party!

THE CASH STORE!!
Front Street, Alexandria,

HAS always, and continues to supply the Ladies and Gentlemen of this Parish with the best and most *Fashionable Goods* at prices *unrivalled* in any part of the South. Our Fall Stock of

Dry Goods

consists in part, of—
French Merinos—all colors;
English do. —all colors;
All Wool de Laines—plain and double Skirts;
Muslin de Laines—all colors and styles;
Plaids—a great variety:
English, French and American Prints.

Cloaks! Cloaks!! Cloaks!!!
—AT—
New York Prices!

Cashmere Shawls!
Embroideries, Trimmings, laces, and a great number of other articles, *sold lower* than at any other house.

Empress Eugenia Hoop Skirts!

We call particular attention to our large stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES

Which, for beauty of finish and quality, are second to none, at prices *unusually low.*

Gentlemen purchasing their Fall Clothing, will save fifty per cent. by calling at the
—*CASH STORE*—
and examining the large and well selected stock of
— READY MADE CLOTHING —
and Furnishing Goods.

Magnets Over-Coats; Hats of all styles and colors.
To the traveling public we offer Fine Sole Leather Trunks, Carpet-Bags and Valises at FIRST COST—freight added.

Call and examine and convince yourselves that
☞ **Small Profits and Quick Returns** ☜
CONTINUES TO BE OUR MOTTO.

WINEHILL & GILBERT,
Oct5-tf Cash Store, Front Street.

DOLBEAR
COMMERCIAL COLLEGE,
—OF—
The City of New Orleans,
CORNER OF CAMP AND COMMON STREETS,
—IN THE—
Elegant and Spacious Edifice
—Known as—
THE STORY BUILDING.

Founded in 1832.
Charted by the Legislature of Louisiana,
—WITH—
Agricultural and Mechanical Departments.
Capital Stock, $250,000, in Shares of $25 Each.

It is open the entire year, day and evening. Its object is to fit persons, in the shortest time and at the least expense, for business. Persons from 12 to 60 years of age attend.

N. B.—Merchants apply here for Clerks and Book Keepers. There are probably not less than two thousand of the former students in business houses in this city. There are able Professors for each branch. Students can begin at any time, and on any branch they may desire, and have the right to attend until perfect.

Board can be had with the Professors or other good families, speaking English, French, Spanish, or German, at from $4 to $6 per week.

Special attention will be paid to placing students where they will have the care and attention of home.

Ladies and gentlemen are invited to visit the College and judge for themselves.

Catalogues, etc., sent to all who desire them.

Terms—(Payable in Advance.)

Penmanship	$ 25 00
Arithmetic	50 00
Book-Keeping, including double and single entry, etc	50 00
Single entry Book-Keeping	25 00
Algebra	50 00
Geometry	50 00
Surveying	50 00
Navigation	50 00
Teachers course in Penmanship	50 00
Latin or Greek	100 00
English	100 00
French	100 00
Spanish	100 00
German	100 00
Those who speak a language and wish a Grammatical course	50 00
Stationery for Course	5 00
Diploma	5 00
Any language per month, one lesson per day	20 00
" " " " two lessons per day	30 00

N. B.—Any one paying $500 at one time can attend to any or all branches taught in the College as he may wish.

STOCK.

If the citizens of Louisiana and the South will subscribe as liberally to this home institution, which will be under their own control, as they always have to distant institutions, the Commercial, Agricultural and Mechanical departments may easily be placed on a firm basis, to stand for ages, and have 1000 or 1500 students in attendance annually. This is the only way to create a literature that will do away with sectional fanaticism. It is the right of all to have an education to support themselves, and it is the interest of the public to give it, and the cheapest way is to encourage educational enterprise at home.

TRUSTEES APPOINTED BY THE LEGISLATURE.

J. J. Person,	W. C. C. Claiborne,
Antoine Cariere,	J. B. Steel,
Cornelius Fellowes,	Rufus Dolbear.

The Stockholders elect annually five others.

This Board to have entire control and make all needful changes.

Subscribers can take amount out in tuition.

☞ The city is perfectly healthy, and students are desired to enter as soon as possible.

N. B.—Those who begin before 1st November will have 10 per cent deducted from tuition and after November 1st provided that they form clubs of three or more and begin together for the same course.

RUFUS DOLBEAR,
Oct., 5-2m. President.

BLOOMFIELD & STEEL,
No. 60 CAMP STREET,
NEW ORLEANS.

Have always on hand a large and complete assortment of SCHOOL BOOKS, comprising works on *MATHEMATICS, CHEMISTRY, PHILOSOPHY, HISTORIES, GEOGRAPHIES, BOTANY, NATURAL HISTORIES, SURVEYING, ELOCUTIONS, MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL PHILOSOPHY, &C., &C*
ALSO
FRENCH, LATIN, GREEK, SPANISH, ITALIAN, AND HEBREW SCHOOL BOOKS, of the most approved Authors, for sale at Publishers prices by BLOOMFIELD & STEEL,
No. 60 Camp Street, New Orleans.

School Furniture

Comprising *Globes* of every description, *Philosophical and Scientific Apparatus* of the latest and most improved inventions, *Mathematical Instruments, Drawing Instruments, Surveying Compasses and Chains, Blocks, Charts, &c., &c.* For sale at Manufacturer's prices by
BLOOMFIELD & STEEL,
jy27-3m No. 60 Camp Street, New Orleans.

BLOOMFIELD & STEEL,
No. 60 CAMP STREET
NEW ORLEANS,
BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURERS AND GENERAL STATIONERS, PRINTING, LITHOGRAPHING AND BOOK BINDING
executed with neatness and dispatch.
BLOOMFIELD & STEEL,
No. 60 Camp Street, New Orleans.

BLOOMFIELD & STEEL'
No. 60 CAMP STREET.
NEW ORLEANS,
Booksellers,

Always on hand a full supply of *MISCELLANEOUS WORKS—LATE PUBLICATIONS—MAGAZINES &C.*, also *LAW BOOKS AND MEDICAL WORKS* of latest editions at Publisher's prices.
BLOOMFIELD & STEEL.
No. 60 Camp Street, New Orleans.

HORSE SHOEING and *BLACKSMITHING.*

MR. J. M. RUMMELL takes pleasure in informing the public that he is permanently located here and has established his Blacksmith Shop on Third Street, in the rear of the Ice House. He will pay special attention to Horse-Shoeing, and promises entire satisfaction to *planters and others*
☞ Those who wish to have their horses well, safely and neatly shod, will do well to give him call. May 11, 1859-1y

The Democrat.

PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY, AT
$4 00 per Annum.....In Advance

NOVEMBER.....10, 1859.

ADVERTISING RATES:

The following rates will be charged for advertisements:—

10 lines or less, one insertion	$1 00
Each subsequent insertion	50
10 lines or less, one month	2 50

The following rates will be charged for a longer period than one month:

	3 mos.	6 mos.	12 mos.
10 lines or less	$ 5 00	$ 8 00	$10 00
20 " " "	8 00	12 00	15 00
30 " " "	12 00	15 00	20 00
¼ column or less	17 50	25 00	30 00

☞ Obituary Notices exceeding one square, will be charged regular advertising rates.

A CARD.

MRS. BENNETT would invite the citizens of Alexandria and vicinity to call at her ROOM No. 10, Fulton House, and examine her Oil Paintings, Wax Flowers, and Hair Flowers. She will put up elegant Boquets for Parlor Ornaments; also, Bridal Wreaths, and Party Head Dresses. Her Hair Work is a beautiful method of preserving family hair, and also very fine head dresses of hair. By way of reference she will mention a few of her patrons at her former places of residence, Lockport and Niagara Falls, N. Y.,

Dr. Gould and Lady, Mr. Lamont and Lady, Mr. Buck and Lady, Rev. N. Suell and Lady, Messrs. Crysler & Breyfogle, Merchants, and others.

☞ Mrs. BENNETT will give instructions in the Art. Nov1-tf

NEW GOODS.

THE undersigned has just opened a very large and complete assortment of desirable goods, viz:

Blankets by the pair or bale, from $3 to $6 per pair, good Kerseys 25cts., to 45cts. per yard, Russett Brogans $16, $18, $20 per dozen. A large assortment of Silks from $12 to $55 per pattern, Cashmeres from $4 to $25 per pattern, French Calicoes the finest ever shown in this market.

Ladies, Women, Misses, Men's and Boys' boots and shoes of every quality, size and price.

A large assortment of Mantilas, and Shawls,
Sadlery,
Hardware,
Queensware,
Groceries,
all of which will be sold at regular and low prices.

I have also a very large and handsome assortment of
CLOTHING AND HATS,
which I am selling at New Orleans prices.
Sept., 28, 1859. S. W. HENARIE.

THE ELDORADO
COFFEE HOUSE
—AND—
Billiard Saloon,
FRONT STREET, ALEXANDRIA, LA.
L. A. CAMERON, PROPRIETOR,

WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Alexandria and vicinity, that he has opened a new
COFFEE HOUSE
and Billiard Saloon in the house lately occupied by T. H. Culbertson, where he will keep the best
—**Liquors**—
that can be purchased, always on hand, such as
Brandy,
Whisky,
Wines,
Porter,
Ale,
Cordials,
&c., &c.
And a superior brand of—
—*CIGARS*—
Comfortable Rooms fitted up for private parties.
.. By strict attention to business he hopes to merit a share of public patronage. sep14-1y

RED RIVER PACKETS.—G. L. KOONS & BROS. Low Water Through Line, and for Shreveport direct, and all Way Landings.
☞ Office—No. 2, Front Street, New Orleans.

Era No. 2. Era No. 3. Era No. 4.

The Era No. 3, will leave New Orleans for Shreveport every Saturday, at 5 o'clock, transferring freight and passengers to Era No. 2, at the Falls on Tuesday—she arriving at Shreveport on Friday.

The Era No. 2, returning, leaves Shreveport every Saturday at 5 o'clock, P. M., meeting Era No. 3 at the Falls, on Tuesday—she arriving in New Orleans Thursday evening.

☞ Clear Bills of Ladings given through without Storing Freight at Alexandria.☜

For further information, apply to Captain on board, or to G. L. KOONS & BROS.,
aug24-ds No. 2, Front Street, N. O.

Copper Steam Sugar Train,
FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN!

I HAVE in my Work Shop three new Copper Evaporating Pans with Copper Worms in each, Copper Curbing and Troughs, with Brass syrup supply Cock, 1 2¼ Brass Steam Cock in each, and 3 inch Discharge Cocks in each with 3 inch Brass Wash Valves and Copper Syrup and Iron Condense Pipe and Condensors, all complete for the sum of *Eighteen Hundred Dollars* ($1800 00.)

They are the same in every particular as those now in use on Plantations of S. O. Nelson, Esq., of St. Marys, Gen. R. C. Camp, of Iberville, and others; they will make from 13 to 20 Hogsheads of Sugar every 24 hours; are made of best material and manner of Workmanship and will be fully guaranteed.

☞ Please address
DANIEL EDWARDS,
28, 30, 32 New Levee, New Orleans.
Aug. 17, 1858-3m

AN Estray taken up by John Boyd, on Bayou Clear, about 20 miles from Alexandria, a dark bay Mare, 13 hands high both hind feet white, a small white or frosty blaze on forehead, spanish brand on right shoulder, about 8 years old; appraised by T. R. McBride and J. R. Mathews, to be worth $20 in cash.

Now, therefore all persons interested is hereby notified to come forward within sixty days from date hereof, prove property, pay charges and take her away or said estray will be sold according to law. J. A. WISE, J. P.
oct26-2m. Lamourie Ward.

THE DIAMOND WEDDING.

WRITTEN BY EDMUND C. STEDMAN.

O, Love! Love! Love! what times were those,
Long ere the age of belles and beaux,
And Brussels lace and silken hose,
When, in the green Arcadian close,
With only the grass for bedding!
Heart to heart, and hand in hand,
You followed Nature's sweet command—
Roaming lovingly through the land,
Nor sighed for a Diamond Wedding.

So have we read, in classic Ovid,
How Hero watched for her beloved,
Impassioned youth, Leander.
She was the fairest of the fair,
And wrapt him round with her golden hair,
Whenever he landed cold and bare,
With nothing to eat, and nothing to wear,
And wetter than any gander;
For Love was love, and better than money—
The slyer the theft, the sweeter the honey—
And kissing was clover, all the world over,
Wherever Cupid might wander.

So thousands of years have come and gone,
And still the moon is shining on,
Still Hymen's torch is lighted;
And hitherto, in this land of the West,
Most couples in love have thought it best
To follow the ancient way of the rest,
And quietly get united.

But now, True Love, you're growing old—
Bought and sold, with silver and gold,
Like a house or a horse and carriage!
Midnight talks,
Moonlight walks,
The glance of the eye and sweetheart sigh,
And shadowy haunts with no one by,
I do not wish to disparage;
But every kiss
Has a price for its bliss,
In the modern code of marriage;
And the compact sweet
Is not complete,
Till the high contracting parties meet
Before the altar of Mammon;
And the bride must be led to a silver bower,
Where pearls and rubies fall in a shower
That would frighten Jupiter Ammon!

I need not tell
How it befell,
(Since Jenkins has told the story
Over and over and over again;
In a style I can not hope to attain,
And covered himself with glory!)
How it befell, one Summer's day,
The King of the Cubans strolled this way—
King Janitary's his name, they say—
And fell in love with the Princess May,
The reigning belle of Manhattan;
Nor how he began to smirk and sue,
And dress as lovers who come to woo,
Or as Max Maretzek and Jullien do,
When they sit full-bloomed in the ladies' view,
And flourish the wonderous baton.

He wasn't one of your Polish nobles,
Whose presence their country somehow troubles,
And so our cities receive them;
Nor one of your make-believe Spanish grandees,
Who ply our daughters with lies and candies,
Until the poor girls believe them.
No, he was no such charlatan—
Full of gascohade and bravado,
Count de Hoboken Flash-in-the pan—
But a regular rich Don Estaban
Santa Cruz de la Muscovado
Senor Grandissimo Oviedo!
He owned the rental of half Havana
And all Matanzas; and Santa Anna,
Rich as he was, could hardly hold
A candle to light the mines of gold.
Our Cuban possessed, choke full of diggers;
And broad plantations, that, in round figures,
Were stocked with at least five thousand niggers!

"Gather ye rosebuds while ye may!"
The Senor swore to carry the day—
To capture the beautiful Princess May,
With his battery of treasure;
Velvet and lace she should not lack;
Tiffany, Haughwout, Ball & Black,
Genin and Stewart, his suit should back,
And come and go at her pleasure;
Jet and lava—silver and gold—
Garnets—emeralds rare to behold—
Diamonds—sapphires—wealth untold—
All were here, to have and to hold;
Enough to fill a peck measure!

He didn't bring all his forces on
At once, but like a crafty old Don,
Who many a heart had fought and won,
Kept bidding a little higher;
And every time he made his bid—
And what she said, and all they did—
'T was written down
For the good of the town,
By Jeems, of The Daily Flyer.

A coach and horses, you'd think, would buy
For the Don, an easy victory;
But slowly our Princess yielded;
A diamond necklace caught her eye,
But a wreath of pearls first made her sigh.
She knew the worth of each maiden glance,
And like young colts, that curvet and prance,
She led the Don a dose of a dance,
In spite of the wealth he wielded.
She stood such a fire of silks and laces,
Jewels, and golden dressing-cases,
And ruby brooches, and jets and pearls,
That every one of her dainty curls
Brought the price of a hundred common girls;
Folks thought the lass demented!
But at last a wonderful diamond ring,
A regular Koh-i-noor,, did the thing,
And, sighing with love, or something the same,
(What's in a name?)
The Princess May consented.

Ring! ring the bells, and bring
All the people to see the thing!
Let the gaunt and hungry and ragged poor
Throng around the great Cathedral door,
To wonder what all the hubbub's for,
And sometimes stupidly wonder
At so much sunshine and brightness which
Fall from the church upon the rich
While the poor get all the thunder.

Ring! ring, merry bells, ring!
O fortunate few,
With letters blue—
Good for a seat and a nearer view!
Fortunate few, whom I dare not name:
Dilettante! Creme de la creme!
We commoners stood by the street facade
And caught a glimpse of the cavalcade;
We saw the bride
In bediamonded pride,
With six jeweled maidens to guard her side—
Six lustrous maidens in tarletan:
Close behind her, her mother,
(Drest in gorgeous *moire antique*,
That told, as plainly as words could speak,
She was more antique than the other,)
Leaned on the arm of Don Estaban
Santa Cruz de la Muscovado
Senor Grandissimo Oviedo;
Happy mortal! fortunate man!
And Marquis of El Dorado!
In they swept, all riches and grace,
Silks and satins and Honiton lace;
In they swept from the dazzled sun,
And soon in the church the deed was done.
Three prelates stood on the chancel high—
A knot, that gold and silver can buy,
Gold and silver may yet untie;
Unless it is tightly fastened;
What worth doing at all's worth doing well,
And the sale of a young Manhattan belle
Is not to be pushed or hastened.
So two Very Reverends graced the scene,
By prayer and fasting chastened;
The Pope himself would have come from Rome,
But urgent matters kept him at home.
Haply these robed prelates thought
Their words were the power that tied the knot,
But another power that love-knot tied,
And I saw the chain 'round the neck of the bride—
A glistening, priceless, marvelous chain,
As befits a diamond-wedding;
Yet still 'twas a chain—I thought she knew it,
And half-way longed for the will to undo it—
By the secret tears she was shedding.

But isn't it odd, to think, whenever
We all go through that terrible river,
Whose sluggish tide alone can sever
(The Archbishop says) the Church decree,
By floating one into Eternity,
And leaving the other alive as ever—
As each wades through that ghastly stream,
The satins that rustle and gems that gleam
Will grow pale and heavy, and sink away
To the noisome river's bottom clay;
Then the costly bride, and her maidens six,
Will shiver on the banks of the Styx,
Quite as helpless as they were born—
Naked souls, and very forlorn;
And the beautiful Empress over yonder,
Whose crinoline made the wide world wonder—
And even ourselves and our own dear house-wives,
Who sadly wear each morn of their lives—
And the sewing girls—and *les chiffonieres*
In rags and hunger the live-long day,
And all the grooms of the caravan—
Aye even the great Don Estaban
Santa Cruz de la Muscovado
Senor Grandissimo Oviedo—
That gold-encrusted, fortunate man!
All will land in naked equality:
The lord of a ribbonded principality
Will mourn the loss of his *cordon*;
The Princess, too, must shift for herself,
And lay her royalty on the shelf;
Nothing to eat, and nothing to wear,
Will certainly be the fashion there!
Ten to one, and I'll go it alone,
Those most used to a rag and bone—
Though here on earth they labor and groan—
Will stand it best when we chime to rest
On the other side of Jordan.

Napoleon in his Cabinet.

The following appeared in Leigh Hunt's Examiner, published in London, fifty years ago while the elder Napoleon occupied the imperial throne of France:

"SCENE—*A Cabinet in St. Cloud.*

"Napoleon—[*Ruminating before a fire and grasping a poker.*] Who whits there?

"Le M.—May it please your Majesty, your faithful soldier, Le Meurtrier.

"Nap.—Tell Sultan Mustapha that he is the last of the Sultans.

"Le M.—Yes, sire.

"Nap.—And the King of Westphalia.—[*Aside*] I must tweak Jerome by the nose a little, to teach him dignity.

"Le M.—[*With hesitation.*] M. Champagny, sire, waits to know your Majesty's pleasure regarding the King of Sweden.

Nap.—Oh, tell him I'll let the boy alone for a month or two. And Say, Le Meurtrier, go to the editor of the *Moniteur*, and tell him to dethrone the Queen of Portugal. Spain's dethronement is put off to next year. Where's Bienseance?

Exit Meurtrier, and enter Bienseance.

"Bien.—May it please your august Majesty, Bienseance is before you.

Nap.—"Fetch me General F.'s head and a cup of coffee.

"Bien.—[*Smiling with devotion.*] Every syllable uttered by the great Napolean convinces Frenchmen that he is their father.

[*Exit Bienseance.*

"Nap.—[*Meditating with a ferocity.*] After driving the Turks out of Europe [*pokes the fire*] I must annihilate England [*gives a furious poke*]; but first—I shall overrun India; then I shall request America and Africa to put themselves under my protection; and after making that great jackass, the Russian Emperor, one of my tributaries, crown myself Emperor of the east—west—north—and south. Then I must have a million army, of which Garnerin shall be field marshal; for I must positively take possession of the comet, because it makes a noise. That will assist me to conquer the solar system: and then I shall go with my army to the other systems; and then——I shall go to the devil—."