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☞ The present Board of Councilmen, who have been in office for two years, retire on next Saturday and turn over the Corporation archives to their successors, who are to be installed on next Monday. It is an old and trite saying, that it is a poor specimen of the canine race, who does not wag his own caudal appendage. At the risk of being partly considered in that fix, this Editor, wishing to render unto Cæsar the just dues and merits of Cæsar, makes bold to state and place on record, that Alexandria may live many a year and fare worse with better Boards. These Councilmen found the Town in debt, now hand her over modest and blushing out of debt, with a few greenbacks as a start. They have kept the streets in good fix and repair, built a fine and serviceable wharf in the classic Second; paid liberally towards the Fire Company's wants, ushered into existence and paid for in *toto* the Hook and Ladder fixtures; kept in repairs the lower Town wharf, in fact "did every thing that had to be did," and all this without any tax on the people of the Corporation. Besides built and kept a great many Corporation bridges and all the ditches in constant repair.

This much we owe to our late *confreres* and the cause of truth and justice, and we cheerfully hope and trust that their illustrious successors will follow the good example and do likewise.

☞ Very little Town news worth relating the past week. All çalm and serene at the Court House; two Sheriffs, two Clerks, two Parish Judges, and still dullness reigns supreme.—This is certainly a strange, to use the mildest of terms, state of complication and confusion that the Radicals have placed us in and all for grab and pap, with no hopes of bettering us in the future. Still we have some cause to breathe free, no colored troops nor U. S. Marshals yet arrived. Big efforts have been made to have them here by some *good* men of Rapides, but thus far without avail.

☞ The weather, as well as the river, has been cutting up all sorts of erratic and freezing tricks. We can't remember such an awfully cold winter, and we are surprised and shivered at its severe and steady continuance.—We learn contradictory reports about the stubble and seed cane, but fear for the worst. One thing certain if it proves all saved and sound, after such a season, our opinion is that the culture of cane can be commenced with safety in the State of New York.

THE WORLD.—In another column will be found the prospectus of the New York World, in our opinion the ablest newspaper on the continent. In all its departments, political, literary, financial and general, the World is perfect and complete. Moreover, it is sound on the leading political questions of the day. It is Democratic to the backbone. No general reader should be without it. It is cheap enough to be within the reach of all.

☞ Business, trade, traffic and commercial doings generally, are not much on the increase or over brisk in Alexandria. Indeed from what we can glean Pineville is making a brush and with rapid strides is surpassing commercially our little Alexandria Town. She must push up with one more effort and claim her lost laurels.

☞ Remember, and remember kindly the pleasant reunion of the Hook and Ladder boys, on Monday, the 3d of February next.

Durell.

The Hon. W. D. Kelly, one of the leaders of the Radical party in Congress, has offered a resolution in the House of Representatives enquiring whether Judge Durell had not exceeded his judicial authority in the Louisiana election matter, and if so to bring in articles of impeachment against him. The resolution was unanimously referred to the Judiciary committee.

An investigation into this man's conduct is imperatively demanded, and we are glad to see that somebody has taken hold of the matter. We have no doubt that the Committee can find crimes enough committed by him under the forms of law to impeach him, and an impartial trial, if one could be had, would certainly lead to his conviction. The outrage perpetrated on the rights of the people of Louisiana is of itself sufficient for the purpose. Add to this his bad habits and notorious incompetency, which has been alluded to more than once by the Supreme Court in reviewing his decisions. Besides, some of his decisions in certain important cases, and the reasons for them, might be looked into with profit. So let their be a thorough investigation say we.

PINCHBACK'S ELECTION.—DEFEAT OF THE ADMINISTRATION.—P. B. S. Pinchback has been elected by the Bayonet Legislature United States Senator for six years from the 4th of March next in place of Hon. Wm. P. Kellogg. This has been foreshadowed ever since the Radical Legislature met and it was discovered that the negroes controlled it. As soon as they discovered that they could get along without the white scalawags and carpet-baggers they did not hesitate to throw them overboard.

This is a severe blow to Kellogg and to Grant. After canvassing between the claims of Norton, Packard and brother-in law Casey, it was finally determined in caucus that Kellogg's mantle should fall on the distinguished assignee in bankruptcy. But Pinch left the assignee far out of sight in the race.

It is hinted that Pinchback will not be received in Washington. It is very evident that Grant is already ashamed of his haste in recognizing him as Governor; and it seems pretty certain that the Radical Senate will not imitate his example. In fact, so strong is popular sentiment setting in favor of the legal government in Louisiana, that we do not think there will be any difficulty in seating the Senator elected by the People's Legislature. The election of Pinchback has added immensely to the chances of such an event.

☞ We observe that the Democrats and Liberals of the Missouri Legislature have nominated Colonel Louis V. Bogy for United States Senator to succeed General F. P. Blair, Jr. Colonel Bogy is a member of an old Creole family and will be the first native Missourian ever elected to the office. He has been prominent in the State for thirty years as a politician, capitalist and financier. Though an old line Democrat he was a Union man during the war and was appointed United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs by President Johnson. In 1852 he was the anti-Benton Democratic candidate for Congress against Colonel Benton himself and was defeated. The first time old Bullion ever alluded to his competitor was as follows: "my opponent says that he is a Frenchman and calls himself *Bojce*. It is not true, Sir. I knew his father thirty years ago; he was a Scotchman and his name was *Bogus*."

General Blair having recently been paralysed, it is understood that his defeat was owing to the precarious condition of his health, and not to any want of confidence on the part of the people of Missouri.

☞ Harry Wilson, second mate of the steamer B. L. Hodge, died suddenly on board the boat on Wednesday morning, while on the way down the river. His remains were taken to the city and a coroner's inquest held.

☞ Ex-Governor Warmoth, and General W. L. McMillan, who has been elected United States Senate for the short term, *vice* W. P. Kellogg resigned, have gone to Washington. They both departed on last Thursday.

Warning.

There is no case of Consumption that did not commence with a cough.—Therefore the slightest Cold or Cough should receive immediate attention.—Take at once the great remedy of the age, DR. TUTT'S EXPECTORANT, and thereby save years of suffering; perhaps life itself.

AUGUSTA, GEO., }
Dec. 31, 1870.}

DR. WM. H. TUTT;

DEAR SIR—My little son, aged about three years, was attacked with pneumonia last winter, which left him with a violent cough, that lasted till within about a month since, for the cure of which I am indebted to you and your valuable Expectorant. I had tried most every kind of medicine recommended for coughs, but none did any good until I tried your Expectorant, one bottle of which removed the cough entirely.—With many thanks for your valuable preparation, I am, truly yours,

JOHN M. WEIGLE.

DR. TUTT'S HAIR DYE MAKES THE OLD LOOK YOUNG.

☞ The steamers B. L. Hodge and D. L. Tally, of the long established and favorite Heine-Haeberleline, have both been on time, in our trade, since the last issue of the Democrat. A change in the office, on both Packets, has been made. Captain J. C. Libano, for many years in the coast trade and proverbially one of the most competent and efficient officers on the river, is chief of the office on the Hodge, assisted by two old favorites, J. C. Joffrion and T J. Reeder. And on the Tally, we are pleased to announce the re-appearance on Red River of John B. Heno, a native of our Town and in days gone by clerk on our former Packets. He is now chief of the office on the Tally, and we are sure, when his acquaintance is renewed by the old ones and made by the new ones of our Parish, they will be impressed with his varied and experienced qualifications for his new duties on the Tally. We can but reiterate our good wishes for the success of the two Packets.

☞ The office of Tax Collector for Rapides is, just about this time, attracting no little attention and creating quite a lively and animated stir. From the *on dits* whispered around and about, no less than a baker's dozen of patriots, faithful and true, and no doubt competent and needy, are on the bold rampage for the much coveted and paying prize. As matters now stand, with two Governors to petition and entreat, we fear our patriot friends have a hard time of it, a rough road to travel and none are as happy as that big sun flower. As yet we are filled with the milk of human kindness and love our neighbor as ourself, and therefore cry hands off, and we want no Tax Collector in Rapides for twelve months at the least.

☞ The contractor or sub-contractor so called of the *soi dit* mail route from this place to the Mouth of Red River, pretending to furnish us with a semi-weekly mail from New Orleans and other parts of the United States, woke up one day last week and actually came along to the Post Office with three mails due some time back. A recent act of one of our Legislatures has ordained that the prayers of the wicked shall *now* avail. Therefore the people of Alexandria and Pineville have appointed next Friday as a day of prayer and fasting in commemoration of the daring act. There is life in the old land yet and some blood in some of her turnips.

☞ The Bayonet Legislature, in New Orleans, has broken out in a fresh place. Mike Hahn, our whilom friend, the little limping Dutchman, now from St. Charles Parish, proposed a compromise with the Louisiana Legislature, on the basis that the political and business interests of New Orleans and the State require a speedy settlement of all our troubles. This is certainly a recognition by the Radicals of the legally elected body sitting at Odd Fellows' Hall, New Orleans. But the bayonet body did not endorse Mike's proposition.

☞ Colonel Louis V. Bogy, Democrat, has been elected to the United States Senator from Missouri. He was the caucus nominee.

The Latest.

LONDON, Jan. 15, Noon—The funeral of the late Ex-Emperor of France took place at Chiselhurst this morning. Although 10 o'clock was the hour fixed for the procession to move from the late residence of the Emperor, it was thirty minutes after that time when the hearse arrived which was to convey the remains to the chapel drew up in front of the grand entrance of the mansion, and the deputation of Paris workmen, who were to walk at the head of the procession, arrived at the same time. They wore immortelles in their coats, and carried wreaths of yellow flowers in their hands. On both sides of the hearse were the Imperial arms, surrounded by the letter N. A great crowd, which steadily increased, surrounded the hearse. The funeral procession started for the chapel at 11 o'clock, and moved in the following order: A man bearing tri-color, borne on an ash stick cut at the last moment before the cortege moved; the deputation of workmen from Paris, with uncovered heads, bearing their wreaths.

The chaplain of the family bearing aloft a golden crucifix, the hearse drawn by eight horses, driven by postillions; mourners who numbered eight hundred in all, and included the Prince Imperial, who went uncovered, Prince Jerome Napoleon, Prince Joachim, Prince Achille, M. Roucher and other distinguished Imperialists, English noblemen, Paris Priests and others.

WASHINGTON, Jan 16.—In the Senate, Mr. Morton offered a resolution, instructing the Committee of Privileges and Elections to inquire whether there is a legal State Government in Louisiana, and if so, by whom constituted.

He said he was authorized by a majority of the committee to offer the resolution, and stated that the design of it was to give the committee authority to go into the whole subject matter of the investigation already committed to them.

Mr. Salisbury offered an amendment directing the committee, if it found no legal Government existing in Louisiana, to inquire when it ceased, and whether any Federal officer, executive or judicial, had anything to do with the overthrow of the legal Government. The amendment was lost, and Mr. Morton's resolution was then adopted.

The Committee on Ways and Means will have before them, on Tuesday, a proposition to refund cotton tax.

The debate in the Senate to-day on Louisiana matters showed a disposition on the part of the Republican Senators to sustain President Grant but does not commit them to the support of Judge Durell.

Morton says there shall be a full investigation.

There is an important division among the Republican Senators, some yielding reluctantly to Morton's resolution for an investigation.

Morton is backed by Sherman. Conkling is opposed to the investigation.

The House Judiciary Committee meet to-morrow to investigate Durell's case, and will first consider documentary evidence.

☞ We have not learned as yet, who has qualified and is acting as Coroner of Rapides. In these days, when so many dead are permitted to go unburied, the office should be well filled, and the right man should be in the right place. We call upon Colonel Wood and Captain Shadburn to come to taw and let us have employment for grave diggers. The dead should be put out of sight, and have the benefit of a christian burial.

☞ The river opposite Alexandria, since our last, has risen four feet, fallen three feet and, at the present writing, is about on a stand. What it will be doing by the time this reaches our home readers, no human being can tell or divine. We never knew old Red on such a spree for many long years, and it may truly be recorded that our steamboat interests have wavered and suffered.

☞ The Parish Jail is still running and open for patronage. But under what *regime*, Sheriff Paul's or ex-Sheriff DeLacy's, deponent knoweth not, nor can you prove it by the Democrat. For the sake of poor sinning humanity, we trust, that the fare is still good and the treatment mild and christian like as that of the past two years. Prisoners should not be neglected when we have two Sheriffs.

☞ In our issue of this week will be found much good, instructive and interesting reading matter. All the very latest touching our situation in Louisiana, and about us elsewhere, will be found in our columns, as we prefer publishing from other sources, than any lengthened or condensed comments of our own.

Ode at Parting.

DEDICATED TO (MYSTERY)—BY A. J. W

Oh! the heart anguish that comes with the
thought parting!
Tears unbidden spring to eyes
Whose fountains long since seemed dried
up!
And the bleeding tendrils of the heart lie
prostrate in the dust.
The sweet pleading eyes of the loved one,
Look up to us as though they were looking
their last upon earth:—
Then comes the bitterest pang of all;
The knowledge that we cannot assuage
the grief
That is breaking the hearts of those we
love!

Our Bodily Infirmities.

Physical infirmities are the lot of all. Millions are always sick. No man, woman or child is uniformly in perfect health. Much, however, of the sickness and suffering which render life a burden to so many of our fellow beings is due to carelessness and neglect. A mighty antidote to the leading causes of disease has been provided. It is as harmless as it is efficient. No poisonous drug enters into its composition. It is an undefiled stimulant, tonic aperient, of which every ingredient is vegetable. This unexceptional preventive and restorative medicine is not "a new thing under the sun." Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will soon have been before the world a quarter of a century; and it is not too much to aver that thousands, aye, tens of thousands, are now using it who would have been in their graves years ago had they not been strengthened and sustained by this wholesome stimulant. The rapidity with which minor ailments often become, when neglected, obstinate diseases, is well known. This tonic is famous for the immediate check which it gives to these breeders of deadly disorders. The sensation of languor, the sick headache, the nervousness, the indisposition to exertion, the nausea the confusion of brain, the physical debility, which are intended to premonish us of the approach of serious danger, are invariably removed by a few doses of the Bitters. The fame of the preparation as a genuine specific for dyspepsia, bilious complaints, malarious fevers, rheumatism and chronic debility, is as wide as the world; and in these days of infamous charlatanism, when fierce cathartics, that rob the invalid of the last remnants of his strength, are advertised as invigorants (!), it is indeed a blessing to mankind that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters are everywhere procurable, and everywhere popular.

☞ The merit of a business enterprise cannot be tested in a few months. It takes years to bring out its strong points or develop elements of weakness. The Baltimore Advertising Agency of Griffin & Hoffman seemed a success at the start. Established in 1867, it has waxed stronger with each year of its existence, until it has become one of the solid institutions of the city and acquired a national reputation for enterprise and reliability. —[Baltimore Sun.

☞ The Bayonet-Durell Legislature have elected Pinchback, for the long term, to the United States Senate, and John Ray, for the short term. As a matter of course the mulatto got the biggest portion of the chicken pie. It remains, however, to be seen if the pie don't turn out to be dog sausage. *Nous verrons.*

☞ At the ballotings for U. S. Senator for the long term, in the Louisiana Legislature, our three Representatives, Texada, Swann and Hooe, have invariably voted for ex-Governor Warmoth, whilst our Senator, Captain White, has voted blank and for A. S. Herron.

☞ We have various and appreciative favors to acknowledge from our river friends. Uncle Sam's mails are too few and far off to help a poor country Editor where there is no telegraph. We thank the clerks of the South-Western, D. L. Tally, C. H. Durfee, John T. Moore and B. L. Hodge No. 2.

☞ The editor of the Terre Haute Express drops into a species of delirium tremens every time he reads a paragraph about Grant's drinking habits. His physician has peremptorily ordered that he shall do no more wrestling with his exchanges until the excitement incident to the late campaign shall have subsided.

☞ David C. Paul, elected Sheriff of our Parish at the recent election, qualified last week, and appointed W. J. Neal Deputy Sheriff, who is now in charge of and running the office.

☞ Plenty of boats now in our trade and all having fair loads of up and down freights, and more or less full of people.

☞ Captain Jim Graham offers his Ferry for sale. Here is a chance for somebody.