DAILY CRESCENT.

NEW ORLEANS:

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 27, 1849.

☞ *See third page for City News, &c.*

☞ Boz's beautiful Christmas tale is concluded on the first page of this day's paper.

INTERMENTS IN THE CITY CEMETERIES.—We publish in another column our usual report of the Interments for the past week in the several City Cemeteries (except those of the Protestant and Lafayette, which will appear in our Weekly issue at 1 o'clock to-day, we having been unable to obtain them in time for this morning.) Our list will be found interesting, as it embraces the name, age, cause of death, etc., of each one deceased.

☞ We thank the officers of the J. T. Doswell and John M. Niles for late river papers.

The Weekly Crescent.

Our much admired and really admirable weekly paper will be published to-day at 1 o'clock. In addition to the news, markets, commercial review, and miscellaneous articles, it will contain, *complete*, the last work of Dickens, entitled "THE HAUNTED MAN AND THE GHOST'S BARGAIN"—a tale of surpassing interest, which none who admire his works should fail to read. Did we desire to praise the tale, we know of no stronger fact in its favor than the appreciable one that, on the day of its publication in London, 18,000 copies were disposed of, and new editions have since been put out, without supplying the demand.

Single papers, or packages, may be obtained at the Publication office, or at Morgan's Depot.

Advertisements for the Weekly must be sent in before 11 o'clock.

THE HEALTH OF THE CITY.—We desire to inform our friends abroad that the Cholera has entirely disappeared from the city, and that we now enjoy the ordinary good health peculiar to New Orleans in the winter. There may be now and then a new case, and there a death from the Cholera, but as there never has been any real danger for those who took ordinary care of themselves, there is not now a shadow of danger for any one unless he take extraordinary pains to make himself sick. Those who have absented themselves should instantly return, and those who desire to visit the city, from motives either of business or pleasure, may do so without the slightest apprehension. The storm has passed over entirely, and the sun is brighter and the air purer than it was before.

☞ The letters of Mr. BEN BUCKET to his friend JERRY BUNDLE, Esq., the first of which has reached us, will receive due honors in our next. The specimen on our table is rather piquant, and will excite some attention among people hereabouts.

THE GOLD FEVER—*John S. Robb.*—The class of persons comprising the emigration to California, is, as far as we have observed, composed of highly intelligent and worthy members of society. All professions and trades furnish their quota, and among the rest the typographical and editorial fraternity will be well represented. Several editors in various parts of the country, have abandoned their sanctums, their patrons, and subscribers, to seek a more certain fortune in the new "Dorado." We last night had the pleasure of receiving a visit from our friend Mr. John S. Robb, of the St. Louis Reveille, whose productions under the signature of "Solitaire" are extensively known and admired by the reading community. The gold fever, which is so general and violent in its attacks, has not spared him. He is now on his way to California, where we trust the golden visions of "Solitaire" will be succeeded by a bright reality.

THE VILLAGER—*Gold Fever.*—We observe by a late number of the Marksville "Villager," that one of the editors, Mr. M. L. Sheehey, has retired with the view of seeking his fortune in the gold region of California. We wish him success equal to his most sanguine expectations. No class are more in want of the "root of all evil" than publishers of papers.

Mr. Derivas continues the publication of the "Villager." May it prove a source of profit equal to a "digging" in California!

LITERARY.—In reference to rumors already afloat in the public press, says the N. Y. Courier, we may safely state that Mr. Webster has been for some years very successfully engaged in collecting material for a "History of Washington's Administration," and that several chapters of the work have been already written. Upon his plan of treating the subject, his work would embrace three volumes.

Of Prescott's History of the "Conquest of Mexico," the publishers have sold very nearly 18,000 copies. We understand that the author receives $1 50 for each copy sold. His receipts thus far, on that work alone, have been, therefore, $27,000.

A new History of the United States, in three volumes octavo, from the pen of a distinguished member of the Massachusetts Bar, has been completed, and is in the hands of a New York publishing house.

DEATH OF AN EDITOR.—Col. Christian J. Hutter, the founder of several papers in Lancaster, Easton, and Allentown, Pa., died lately at Easton, aged 80 years. He was an editor from 1799 to 1835, and for several years a member of the State Legislature.

FUNERAL OF J. E. JOHNSON.—The friends of J. E. Johnson are invited to attend his funeral this evening, at 4 o'clock, from No. 146 St. Louis street, between Dauphin and Burgundy streets.

AMERICAN THEATRE.—Mr. Grattan's benefit takes place to-night, and the house will be pretty considerably crowded, for during his term of management he has rendered himself extremely popular. The responsible nature of his business in the theatre, and the able manner in which he has transacted it, fully entitle him to the highest compliment which can be paid to him in golden opinions—while, as a literary man, Mr. Grattan's position is an enviable one. The entertainments offered are, "The Hunchback," in which Mr. Eytinge appears as *Master Walter*, and the beneficiare himself repeats his performance of *Modus*, in which character he first appeared before a New Orleans audience. The other characters will be represented by Mrs. Pope, Miss Petrie, Mr. Charles, etc. In addition to this, and a principal feature of the evening, will be the first representation of Mr. Durivage's local sketch of "Mose in NewOrleans," in the production of which all the exertions of the various artistes connected with the theatre have been called into requisition.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—This evening Bulwer's sterling play of the "Lady of Lyons," together with Mrs. E. S. Conner's "Forest Princess," are presented, for the benefit of Mr. E. S. Conner, whose fine talents as an actor need no commendation from us. A good bill, a good cast, and the deserts of a well-esteemed favorite, can hardly fail to fill the St. Charles to its utmost capacity.

STICKNEY'S CIRCUS.—By reference to our advertising columns, it will be seen that the Sable Melodists take a benefit and make their last appearance this evening. The other performances will be found to be equally varied and amusing, and must necessarily attract a large and delighted audience.

STOCKWELL'S PANORAMA.—The usual Saturday afternoon exhibition will take place to-day at 3 o'clock, and also in the evening at 7. To-morrow (Sunday) there will be an exhibition in the evening at the same hour.

☞ The Rev. Jared Sparks has been nominated President of the Board of Overseers of Harvard University.

Correspondence of "The Daily Crescent."

Southern Convention—New York and Brooklyn Affairs—Brooklyn Gas—Difficulties with the Firemen—Frederick Jerome, Humbug, etc.—The Gold Fever—Cholera, etc., etc.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16th, 1849.

Eds. Crescent: The "Southern Convention," so miscalled, could not entrust their proceedings to the public eye and ear last night. Their own version of them will be given at their pleasure. But little, as a general thing, do these men regard the claim of the public to know what is going forward, and still less with reference to these proceedings. The leaders can stoop to assign such reasons as these for shutting themselves up in the Chamber: "If the public were admitted, there would be danger of excitement and uproar in the galleries as discussion might progress. Besides, they had no Sergeant-at-Arms to keep order."

There is nothing of interest going forward in the Legislature at Albany.

Last evening the Common Councils of New York and Brooklyn held their regular sessions.

In this city the proceedings of the chief interest were those connected with the amendment of the Charter. It was proposed to elect Assistant Aldermen hereafter by districts, instead of wards, each fifteen thousand inhabitants to be entitled to one representative.

A resolution was offered in the following words: "Every white unmarried woman of the age of twenty-one years, who shall have been a citizen of this State and a resident of this city for one year preceding any charter election, and who shall be possessed of property within this city, and shall have been actually rated and paid a tax thereon to the City Treasury, shall be one of the people within the meaning of this act, and shall be entitled to vote at any election under the Charter, and to all other privileges thereby conferred." Subject laid over until next meeting.

In the Brooklyn Board the gas difficulties were settled by dividing the city between the rival companies. The old company, headed by Gen. Robt. Nichols, is to illuminate the first five wards; and the new company, under the Presidency of Mr. Henry Ruggles, takes charge of the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth.

The Brooklyn Council also passed resolutions authorizing and requesting "our Representative in Congress, H. C. Murphy, to use his endeavors with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Congress of the United States, to cause" the Branch Mint to be located in Brooklyn, instead of New York, it being believed that the former presents superior inducements and facilities for that purpose over her sister city, in economical arrangements, salubrity of air, general healthfulness and desirable locality.

All of it true, and the Mint ought to be established in Brooklyn.

Two companies of firemen and two of the newly elected Assistant Engineers sent in their resignations last evening.

A Firemen's Convention, according to appointment, was last night held in Brooklyn, and the sense of the department taken with regard to the recent treatment received at the hands of the Common Council. The representatives of each company reported the sense of their companies respectively, eleven of them declaring in favor of disbanding, and seven of remaining. The resignations to be handed in on the 1st of February. The members of the Convention report to-night to a general meeting of the Firemen. What are to be the consequences of this *emeute* it is impossible to say, but I fancy no great harm will result from the disbanding of all the fire companies in the city.

There is humbug in all things, and especially in heroism. The enunciation of this great truth is called forth by observing in the list of passengers of the ship Tarolinta, the name of Frederick Jerome. But a few days ago, he inserted an advertisement in nearly every newspaper in the city, contradicting the reports of his changed intentions, and repeating his former promise to sail in the "good ship Robert Bowne," and the captain of that vessel now keeps Jerome's name in his advertisements as one of his mates. Jerome has lent himself to the furtherance of more than one humbug in this city, but entirely through his weakness of character—not from want of principle.

Eight or nine vessels have cleared for San Francisco since yesterday morning—all with pretty good cargoes and a fair, but not large, number of passengers.

It is reported that an association of women of loose character have clubbed together the necessary funds and purchased a ship, in which they are to take their characters to a better market—not short of San Francisco.

The fever is increased again by rumors that the Falcon has a million of dollars' worth of gold on board, and from all causes the excitement is intense.

We look for the cholera again every day, either by way of the rivers or the sea. One vessel from your city now lies at quarantine, with some four or five cases on board. The health of the city is now pretty good, but the weather is abominable. The deaths last week were 228, of which 33 were from consumption. In Brooklyn, 35 died, 4 of consumption. In Boston there were 60 deaths.

The Liverpool packet Constitution arrived yesterday with 535 passengers. Respectfully, yours, INDICATOR.

Kamehameha's Kingdom,

Pickings from Polynesian Papers, Transcribed for the New York Tribune.

Three vessels cleared from Honolulu for California the week ending Aug. 26, and one man started in a whale-boat!

H. B. M. surveying bark Plover arrived Aug. 23, from Callao, and would forthwith clear for Kotzebue's Sound N. W. Coast, in search of Sir John Franklin.

On the 31st July, the 5th anniversary of the Restoration (of the native Government) was celebrated with much pomp. The foreign Consuls, Com. Geisinger, U. S. N., Capt. Glynn of the Preble, with many other officers, and the principal foreigners, attended the fête. Com. Geisinger was honored with special thanks in an official note for his courtesy.

The Tahitians fired 100 guns for the new French Republic, and promply silenced a few grumblers thereat. At Honolulu there was the same joy among the French residents, and an address was forwarded to Lamartine.

They have a Wallack doing "Jerry Sneak" at the Hawaiian Theater; and the bloody play of "The Vampyre" met with decided success, both native and foreign.

The *Valparaiso Neighbor* records forty severe shocks of earthquake within a period of sixteen months.

The Oregonians voted, at their legislative election, by a small majority, to refuse licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

The pleasures of Editors in that region are set forth by the man of *The News*, in the following doubt:

"To print or not to print: that's the question:
Whether 't is nobler in the mind to suffer
The loss and disappointment of our every effort
To gain an honest livelihood, or quit the business
And go to the mines."

And to justify, the Editor relates the last case of absence of mind, as that of a citizen deeply in debt, who went aboard a ship to see a friend, embarked and forgot to come ashore.

Thomas Brown, planter of the island Kauai, gives a bad character of the native laborers, who, he says, are deceptive and require close watching—nothing is done except under the eye of a master. "Generally speaking, they are neither stupid nor unskillful. Their morals are fearfully corrupt. Their wages are nearly one shilling (sterling probably) per day, with food gratis."

A fire at Lahaina had destroyed several of the most valuable houses in the place. Alana & Co., Chinamen, were the greatest losers.

The Gold stories from San Francisco told in Honolulu are quite as extravagant, perhaps more so, than here. A mountain of pure Gold somewhere in the Sierra Nevada is said to exist, from which all yet discovered are mere washings. "Some five young men, who left Honolulu six months ago without a dollar in their possession, are now worth $20,000."

The *News* complains that its files of the *N. Y. Tribune* do not arrive regularly, and lays the blame to the carelessness of the missionaries through whose hands they pass.

One of the natives, one day, "did" the Crispins of a pair of shoes as follows: Going into a shoe-shop he ordered the loan of *one* shoe to try on his wife's foot, promising to buy the pair if it fitted. Then going to another shop he borrowed another shoe on the same terms; since which he has not been seen.

At Monalau, Messrs. Sea and Sumner gave His Majesty a grand dinner, after which the Western sport of target-shooting was the order of the day. The Governor of Oahu blew off one of his fingers with one of the Colt pistols, whereupon the scene was changed and riding wild horses eked out the afternoon's play.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Senate passed on the 18th inst. the bill repealing the charter of the Ohio and Erie Railroad Company. The vote on this important measure stood—ayes 16, to noes 11.

BANK NOTES IN KENTUCKY.—In the Senate of Kentucky, Mr. Boyd, from the Committee on Banks, reported a bill to repeal all acts prohibiting the circulation of bank notes of less denomination than five dollars; the bill was passed.

SUGAR-CANE.—The Louisville Journal has received from R. B. Cammack a fine specimen of sugar-cane, containing eighteen joints, raised by him on his plantation, sixty miles above Vicksburg.

RED RIVER.—Old Red is far above high water mark, and many are predicting an overflow. We do not believe such a calamity is in store for us, though we confess our only hope comes from above, as the Mississippi is high and rising. Accounts from Shreveport state that there had been a slow but gradual fall at Fulton and other points above. We still believe our levees will protect us from an inundation.—*Alexandria (La.) Democrat, 24th inst.*

☞ The District Court adjourned on Thursday last. Courts are becoming "obsolete ideas," little business coming before them in this gold and silver age.—*Ib.*

The Printers' Festival.

The Festival of the New York Typographical Society took place on the evening of the 17th inst.—the 143d anniversary of the birth-day of Franklin—at the Coliseum. The exercises commenced at 7 o'clock, by which time the hall was filled with the members of the Society, their wives, sisters and daughters. The New York Tribune of the 18th inst. says that a more intelligent collection of faces we have rarely looked upon. The members of the Press and the invited guests took their seats upon the platform, upon which stood a splendid bust of Franklin, loaned for the occasion by Mr. Hitchcock of the American Museum. Among the guests, we noticed the following distingushed authors and professional men: Washington Irving; N. P. Willis, W. C. Bryant; Ex-Mayor Harper; Dr. Francis; Rufus W. Griswold; Rev. Ralph Hoyt; and Messrs. Inman, Hunt, Clark, Raymond, G. P. Morris, and other editors of this city.

The President, Charles McDevitt, called the meeting to order. Dingle's band, which was in attendance, played a fine overture, after which the following ode, on "Franklin," written by Bayard Taylor, of the Tribune, was sung by a choir:

OPENING ODE.

The thunders of a mighty age
May drown the voices of the past,
But thou, the printer and the sage,
Shalt speak thy wisdom to the last.

The power to stay the fleeting thought,
Unto thy hand was early given,
Till with the mind's quick lightning fraught,
It learned to fetter that of Heaven.

The page where, by the printer's art,
Thy voice has been eternal made,
Still bears its lessons wide apart,
The world to gladden and to aid.

And now the lightning's wing of fire,
Which first was tamed beneath thy hand,
Takes on its path of slender wire
The printer's word from land to land.

They both shall work, from age to age,
For good or ill, man's will sublime—
The flash of thought on many a page,
The lightning throb, outspeeding Time!

Mr. John G. Clayton, of the Commercial, having been introduced, proceeded to address the audience.

He concluded in an eloquent exhortation to all connected with the Press to become members; by so doing they would support a Society which had for its maxim the good of all connected with it.

The poem, written by Wm. Oland Bourne, Esq., Editor of the Northern Democrat, was then read by T. W. Renne. It is entitled "The Reformer," and contains many passages of great spirit and beauty.

Mr. Jewett was introduced, and pronounced an eloquent and glowing sketch of Franklin's life. It was an admirable production, containing many points of great eloquence and oratorical power, and was frequently interrupted by bursts of warm and cordial applause.

The Choir then sung the closing Ode, written by Edward A. McLaughlin.

The programme and poem were printed on a new and improved cylinder of R. Hoe & Co., in operation on the spot.

At the close of the literary exercises, after a short delay, the company were conducted to the upper hall, where tables for 500 persons had been arranged by Mr. Miller.

Ex-Mayor Harper presided, assisted by Gen. Morris, Geo. Mather, Esq., and Geo. Bruce, Esq. The President made some apt and appropriate remarks on taking his seat; after which the following Regular Toasts were read:

1. *Benjamin Franklin*—His Birth-place belongs to America—His Services to Humanity—and his Fame to all Ages.

2. *The Press*—It *ex*-presses truth—*re*-presses error—*im*-presses knowledge—and *op*-presses none.

3. *The President of the United States*—His proudest title is—that which makes him mightier than *Monarch*—the *Servant* of free *Sovereigns*—the People.

4. *American Literature*—Yet in its infancy—but treasures already garnered bear evidence of what may be expected from its maturity.

5. *The Inventors of Printing.*—Truth's trustiest champions—Superstition sold them to Satan—Knowledge regarded them—Humanity crowned them with undying Fame.

6. *The Constitution of the United States*—The sheet-anchor of political and religious Liberty—the guardian of a free Press.

7. *The Typographical Profession*—The Pulpit, the Bar, the Stage, and the Healing Art, have all drawn from its ranks some of the brightest stars which grace their galaxy of genius.

8. *The Stars and Stripes of the American Flag.*—Like the rainbows and stars of the firmament—they are bows of promise, and lights of liberty to the whole world.

9. *The Electric Telegraph.*—A highway of thought through the air.—Franklin caught electricity from the clouds—Morse has chained it to the car of the Press.

10. *Our Guests.*—Welcomed to our gathering, we extend to them a cordial greeting.

11. *Our Sister Societies.*—Laborers in the same vineyard of benevolence—sowing the seeds of Charity and Love, and watering waste and barren fields—they are known "by their fruits."

12. *Our Sister Arts.*—We would *engrave* them on our memory, and *bind* them in our affections.

13. *Publishers.*—The agents through whom Authors gain immortality, and Printers materiality. As their mutual interest is the success of all, let their golden rule be, "Help one another."

14. *Education.*—The twilight that ushers in the rising sun of Liberty.

15. *Woman.*—'Tis woman alone, with a firmer heart,
Can see all the joys of life depart,
And love the more, and soothe and bless
Man in his utter helplessness.

The 2d toast was ably and eloquently responded to by Mr. Bryant, the 4th by Mr. Inman, the 7th by Dr. Francis, the 10th by Mr. Raymond, and the 13th by Mr. Keese. The President, on resigning the chair, gave the following:

Good Wives—fat or lean—the best "takes" for young compositors.

The utmost hilarity and good feeling—which was heightened by the fine singing of the New Orleans Serenaders—prevailed during the supper. We left at one o'clock, when the greater part of the company adjourned to the lower room, which had been arranged for a dance. May the Printers of New York enjoy many another such festival!

CELEBRATION AT CINCINNATI.—The birth-day of Franklin was also celebrated at Cincinnati with much spirit. We copy a few of the regular toasts:

The Day we Celebrate.—It gave to the world the *paragon* philosopher, sage and statesman of modern history, and to our craft the *model printer*, in all time to come.

The West.—By the blessing of Heaven now the Granary of the Earth: She stretches out her hands to the hungry of all nations, and cries "Come, and eat!"

Western Literature.—A bud that unfolds slowly, like the rose—like the rose, when full blown, to charm all with its beauty and fragrance.

The Motto of the West.—The States of the Union *now*—the Union of the States *forever*.

The Kings and Princes of Europe.—The light of the Age has revealed to the eyes of the people the corruption of their systems of tyranny, and their *forms* are being knocked into *pi* by the unerring *mallet* of Justice. May the old metal be thoroughly melted by the fire of Truth, and *re-cast* into new *fonts*, diffusing the eternal principles of Republicanism and Human Liberty.

The Press.—We behold in it the fulcrum and lever sought by Archimedes wherewith to raise the world.

Woman's Love.—The *star* that shines brightest when clouds gather darkest.

DEATH OF A STRANGER.—On the 9th inst., a traveller came off a steamboat at Gorton's Landing, having with him a large trunk, bearing upon it the name "J. P. Sutherland." He inquired for the residence of a Dr. Muir or Muse, who, he said, lived in Avoyelles. Of this gentleman he could obtain no observation, at the Landing; and thereupon signified his determination to proceed to Marksville, and started in the direction of the lake which it is necessary to cross, when the river is up, to gain the road. A young man started soon after, for the purpose of crossing him over in a skiff, but did not find the stranger at the place of crossing, nor was he again seen at the landing. Late in the afternoon of the same day, he was seen dripping wet, by one of our citizens, of whom he inquired concerning the road, said he had swum across the lake, that he was recently from Liverpool, that his name was upon his trunk, &c. Shortly afterwards he was met by a person driving a wagon, who invited him to ride; he declined, and showed evident signs of aberration of mind. On the 16th, he was found dead about three hundred yards from the place where last seen, and on his person was found the sum of $33 55 in gold and silver, together with a new memorandum book, in which was penciled "Gorton's Landing," and between the leaves of which was a letter directed to the care of Mr. Robb, 22 Bank Place, New Orleans, for Mr. Leith. An inquest was held by Edouard de Générès, Esq. The jury returned a verdict, predicated upon the facts elicited. The corpse has been decently buried near the landing. His effects are in the hands of Mr. E. de Générès, to whom letters asking for further information, should be directed. The deceased was of genteel appearance, ruddy complexion, sandy hair, slight figure, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches in height.—*Marksville (La.) Villager, 23d inst.*

NAVAL.—The U. S. store ship Supply will sail about the 15th prox. for the Mediterranean and coast of Brazil, with stores for both squadrons. It is said that L. Cass, Jr., Chargé d'Affaires to Rome, will take passage in the Supply. The following is a list of her officers:

A. Sinclair, Lieut. Com'g. Acting Sailing Master—Geo. H. Cooper. Act'g Surgeon—A. Miles. Passed Mid'n Act'g Lieuts—C. W. Woolley, J. D. Langhorne, G. H. Bier, W. Jones. Captain's Clerk—N. Chaselin.

The U. S. squadron, under Com. Geo. W. Storer, sailed from Rio for Montevideo prior to the 29th ult., consisting of the frigate Brandywine, Capt. C. Coerten; sloop of war St. Louis, Com'r H. H. Cocke; and brig Perry, Lieut. Com'g J. A. Davis.

The U. S. frigate Congress, Capt Lavalette, was at Valparaiso Oct. 29, to sail next day for the United States.—*Norfolk Beacon.*

☞ Mrs. Partington, in allusion to the many advertisements headed "Ho! for California," thinks a spade would be more useful than a hoe, to the diggers.

From Texas.

By the arrival of the steamship Galveston, Capt. Crane, we are in receipt of full files of Texas papers. We copy the following from the "Civilian" and "News":

The U. S. transport steamship New Orleans, Capt. Auld, returned to Galveston on the morning of the 22d, from Lavaca, to which port she conveyed Gen. Worth and staff.

FAST SAILING.—The New York packet Montauk, Capt. Gates, arrived in the offing on the 19th, in thirteen days from New York—another good passage, though not quite so short as her voyage out, eleven days.

CALIFORNIA.—We observe from an advertisement in the Western Texian, that a company is being organized in San Antonio, to start for California between the 15th February and 1st of March.

IMMIGRATION—*Eastern Texas.*—A correspondent of the Presbyterian, writing from Douglass, Nacogdoches county, says that part of the country is full of recent emigrants, and "the cry is still, they come!"

The editor of the Bonham, Fannin co., "Argus" says the immense immigration to this State, by way of Red River, this winter, reminds him of the filling up of Indiana and Illinois. The roads are filled with wagons, and such has been the increase in population, that lands are rising in value. The majority of the new comers are of the poorer class, but they bring stout arms and willing hands, which, with the advantages of our soil and climate, cannot fail soon to place them in easy circumstances.

Temperance.—Christmas Day was celebrated by the Sons of Temperance, in Marshall and San Augustine, with more than ordinary festivities. They showed that rejoicing and rational recreation could be enjoyed to the fullest extent, without the heretofore necessary beverages of wines, malt or distilled liquors.

Houston.—Dr. Moore, of the Telegraph, has been elected Mayor of the city of Houston. The Doctor was elected not as a party candidate.

The Grand Lodge of Masons of this State met in Houston, nad was in session during last week. The Royal Arch Chapter of Texas has been dissolved.

Cholera.—The Houston Presbyterian of the 20th inst. says that the Asiatic Cholera still prevails in Houston, though strangers need not fear to visit Houston on account of it, as it is mostly confined to the destitute. This paper adds that there were fifteen or twenty cases in the last fifteen days. A letter from Houston this morning, says there were two deaths from Cholera on the 18th, one of them being the widow of Gen. Mosely Baker.

From Port Lavaca.

The steamers New Orleans, Capt. Auld, and Yacht, Capt. Wilson, arrived at Galveston on the 22d inst., from Port Lavaca. The various towns on Matagorda Bay were quite healthy. Gen. Worth and staff were to leave Lavaca on the 22d for San Antonio, where, as we have before stated, the headquarters of the division will be established.

We learn from the Victoria Advocate of the 12th inst., that a company is being organized in Victoria to go to California, by land, on the 1st of March next. Mr. A. M. Wigginton is at the head of the party.

Major O'Brien is stationed as Quartermaster at Port Lavaca.

The Advocate apprehends that a strong effort will be made at the next session of our Legislature to remove the seat of Government to some other part of the State, probably to Huntsville, and urges on the Western Representatives the importance of being united in favor of the Seat of Government remaining where it is, on the ground that within a few years the State will be divided, when, if the public archives should be removed to Huntsville, and buildings erected there, the expense would be totally lost, as the position would be unsuited to either of the new States.

The Advocate mentions a rumor of the cholera at Austin, but it was found, on inquiry, to be untrue.

CONTRADICTION.—The Washington Union contradicts the paragraph going the rounds of the press, which states that Capt. Meade is to go to California in command of the U. S. steamer Edith. Mr. Meade applied for the command after arrangements had been made. The Edith is sent to California to ply between the ports on the northwest coast.

☞ A fire occurred in Portland, Me., on the night of the 17th inst., which consumed a block of stores. The loss is heavy. There is an insurance of $9000 on the property.

MISTAKE OF THE PRINTER.—A Halifax paper once announced that sundry vessels were prevented from going to sea by "*frogs and clams.*" The next number explained that the impediments to navigation should have read "fogs and calms."

Arrivals at the Principal Hotels Yesterday.

HEWLETT'S....A Hotchkiss, James Goodlow, Galveston; Judge Irvin, Wisconsin; Gov Newshi, Ky; Thos Kewen, Jesse F Smith, Seth P Glover, Miss; Judge Cooley, James Emerson, La; Wm Mintz.

VERANDAH....R E Hammet, A C Walker, N O; L Polk, Mrs E D White, J R Jones, La; W Murdock, Rodney; Miss Thomas, Washington City; T B Irwin, Galveston; Maj Ben McCulloch, Texas; Elias M Greene, N Y; H Y Slaymaker and lady, Pa.

PLANTERS'....James Jones, Miss; John H Snellings, Ga; Edward D Hagan, Reuben Skinner, J M Norment, Dr R Gibbs, John M Gudge, G C Marvin, O W Shepherd, T R Richardson, Thos Hunter, John J Tankersley, Ala; Mr Pitkin, Mobile; Samuel Myerson, N O; John P Simmons; J N Cassell, S Lecompte, Jesse C White, La; J W Ransom, P R Powers, D A Brown, N Loder, Cahawba; D B Woods, Ky; John Wm Finlay, Md.

ST. CHARLES....W S Bolley, F F Powell, Vicksburg; A M Gazlay, Henry P McGrath, Ky; Geo M Long, Wm Sutton, J A Burton, L M Sandford, Wm Delson, N O; O B Cobb, Mobile; Milnes's demi; F Page, J F Bossiere, Pa; J T Van Allen, Wm T Ross, J A Spenger, Wm G Lane, N Y; Mrs Gen Taylor, Baton Rouge; Lt Col Bliss and lady, U S A; Col Wm Taylor and lady, Pointe Coupee; William H Hooper, Henry Chouteau, St Louis; Thos Maskell, Joshua Baker, La; Alexander Herling.

Married:

At Alexandria, on the 16th instant, by the Rev. Mr. Bellier, Mr. DENIS SULLIVAN to Miss ELLEN CONNER, both of Alexandria.

Died:

On Friday afternoon, January 26, Mr. JOHN JOHNSON, a native of Maine, and for many years a resident of this city. He was a member of Phœnix Fire Co. No. 8.

☞ His funeral will take place at 3 o'clock THIS AFTERNOON, from the Pontchartrain Railroad, near Victory street. His friends and acquaintances, and the Fire Department generally, are invited to attend.

At the residence of A. W. Burgess, of the parish of Rapides, on the 20th inst., Mrs. SALLY BURGESS, in the 82d year of her age. She immigrated to Louisiana in 1841.

☞ **New Era Royal Arch Chapter.**—A Meeting of this Chapter will take place THIS EVENING, at half-past 6 o'clock, at Masonic Hall, corner of Baronne and Perdido street. Companions will please be punctual. By order of the H. P. ja27 1i W. H. RONDEAU, Sec'y.

☞ **Mississippi Fire Co. No 2.**—The Officers and Members of the above Company are requested to attend the Regular Monthly Meeting on MONDAY, the 29th inst., at half-past 6 o'clock, P. M. ja27 E. BLESSY, Secretary.

☞ **St. Louis Ball-Room**—*Model Bachelors' Inauguration Ball and Supper.*—The subscribers to the above Ball are requested to meet at the Office of the Ball-Room on SUNDAY, the 28th inst., at 1 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing Managers and adopting regulations for said Ball. jo26 2t

☞ **Perseverance Fire Co. No. 13.**—Attend the Regular Monthly Meeting on MONDAY, the 29th inst., at half-past 7 o'clock. Punctual attendance is requested.
HENRY J. HYAMS, Secretary. ja26 3t

☞ **I. O. O. F.**—At the Regular Session of the R. W. GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA, held on the 23d inst., the following Officers were duly elected and installed for the ensuing year, viz: CHARLES M. EMERSON, M. W. Grand Master; JOHN CRICKARD, R. W. D. Grand Master; HENRY BIER, R. W. G. Warden; HENRY W. OLMSTED, R. W. G. Secretary; HENRY WILLIAMS, R. W. G. Treasurer....The M. W. Grand Master made the following appointments, viz: GEORGE HOOPER, W. G. Chaplain; THOS. H. SHIELDS, W. G. Marshal; WM. EMERSON, W. G. Conductor; D. B. FORBES, W. G. Guardian; R. N. WOOD, D. D. G. M., District No. 1; H. C. COOK, D. D. G. M., Dist. No. 2; GEO. S. LACEY, D. D. G. M., Dist No. 3. ja26

☞ **Crystal Fount Division No. 4 S. of T.**—At an Election held for Officers of Crystal Fount Division No. 4 S. of T. the following members were duly elected for the present quarter: T. W. VAN WYCK, W. P. ANDREW HERO, W. A.; R. H. WYNNE, R. S.; M. EVANS, A. R. S.; J. REYNOLDS, F. S.; J. S. HARRIS, T.; T. J. ODELL, C.; W. TOMLINSON, A. C.; E. FORD, I. S.; J. EWING, O. S.; Rev. N. O. PRESTON, Chaplain; J. O. PIERSON, P. W. P. ja25

☞ **Fire Department.**—A Meeting of the Foremen and Chief Directors of the different Engines, Hose and Hook and Ladder Companies will be held in the Hall of Mississippi Fire Co. No. 2, on TUESDAY EVENING NEXT, 30th instant, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of making arrangements for the Twelfth Anniversary of the Fourth of March.
JOHN DUNN, Foreman Fire Co. No. 5.
D. C. BISCOE, Foreman No. 7.
EDWARD H. FOSDICK, Foreman No. 13.
T. B. HEARTT, Foreman No. 14.
P. W. LESSLIE, Foreman No. 16.
T. C. POOLE, Foreman No. 8.
SAML. G. RISK, Foreman No. 2.
JAMES A. BARRON, Foreman No. 18. ja24

☞ **Our Readers** are requested to notice the advertisements of WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY and JEW DAVID'S PLASTER, on the first page of our paper. These excellent remedies are sold only by SCOVIL & MEAD, 113 Chartres street. ja11tf

☞ **Preventive.**—The Picayune says that Cleanliness is one of the best Preventives of *Cholera*. Clean UNDER-SHIRTS and DRAWERS, SOCKS, etc., can be obtained, both good and cheap, at LEIGHTON'S Gentlemen's Furnishing Store, No. 3 Royal street. d16

☞ **H. Dalley's Magical Pain Extractor.**—The original and only genuine, always has the written signature of the proprietor, "H. DALLEY," on the wrapper of each box. Southern Depot, 151 Chartres street, New Orleans. d8tf

☞ **Strangers in the City,** see Dr. B. F. MULLEN'S advertisements on the other columns of this paper. He is one of the very best in his profession now in the United States. All that stand in need would do well to give him a call, at 86 Customhouse street. n15tf

☞ **NewOrleans, Dec. 5, 1848.**—Dr. J. MENSING: *Sir*—The Set of Teeth you inserted for me I consider to be the best job I ever saw. They are equally serviceable to me for use as the natural teeth. Those needing work done in your line are at liberty to call on me, at No. 14 St. John street, between Perdido and Gravier streets, and inspect it for themselves. Yours,
A. G. TUCKER. d8 3m

☞ **Phœnix Fire Co. No. 8.**—A Subscription List for the benefit of said Fire Company, is said them in repairing their houses, can be found at
C. D. BUNCE'S Hat Store, 30 Canal street. ja27

S. of T....Meetings This Evening.

YOUNG MEN'S MAGNOLIA DIVISION No. 12, at Pelican Hall cor. Common and St. Charles sts., at half-past 7.

....*To-Morrow Morning*....

LIBERAL DIVISION No. 17, at Pelican Hall, corner St. Charles and Common streets, at 10 o'clock.

....*To-Morrow Evening*....

TEUTONIA DIVISION No. 46, at Pelican Hall, corner St. Charles and Common street, at 4 o'clock.

Auction Sales This Day.

MORPHY & NEVIUS will sell at 10 o'clock, at No. 57 Magazine street, Groceries; also, at 11 o'clock, at the same place, Beef, Deer, Otter and Coon Skins.

S. L. BERLMAN will sell, at 3 o'clock, on Circus street, near Julia, the Contents and Fixtures of a Restaurant.

R. M. ARNFIELD will sell at the store of Jasper F. Smith, 7 Canal street, Dry Goods, Hats, Boots, Shoes, etc., without reserve. [☞ See Auction head.]

Steamboat Departures This Day.

☞ *SEE ADVERTISEMENTS ON THIRD PAGE.*

Mobile.....OREGON, Heirn, 3½ P. M. cars.
Cincinnati.....HIRAM POWERS, Pearce, 12 M.
St. Louis.....JOHN HANCOCK, Hank, 4 P. M.
Pittsburg.....THOS. JEFFERSON, Scott, 4 P. M.
St. Louis.....SACRAMENTO, Atkeson, 5 P. M.
Pittsburg.....PIKE NO. 8, Linn, 5 P. M.
Yazoo River.....CORINNE, Powell, 5 P. M.

☞ **Packet Hiram Powers**—For Louisville, Cincinnati and Pittsburg.—This packet leaves as above THIS DAY, Saturday, at 12 o'clock, M., positively, from Gravier street wharf. ja27 HYDE & OGLESBY, 12 Poydras st.

☞ **The U. S. Mail Thos. Jefferson**—For Pittsburg, Cincinnati and Louisville.—This splendid passenger steamboat will leave THIS DAY, Saturday, at 4 o'clock, P. M., positively, from Poydras street wharf. HYDE & OGLESBY, 12 Poydras st.
Passengers will please be on board at the hour. ja27

☞ **U. S. Mail John Hancock**—Is now receiving freight and will leave for St. Louis, Memphis and the Bends, THIS DAY, Saturday, at 4 o'clock, positively, from the foot of Poydras street wharf. HYDE & OGLESBY, 12 Poydras st.
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