DAILY CRESCENT.

NEW ORLEANS:

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 23, 1849.

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THE FAIR.—The fair last night, for the benefit of St. Paul's Church, given by the ladies, was one of the most delightful affairs of the kind we have ever attended. The rooms, over the old Merchants' Bank, were pe[illegible] thronged with beautiful women and their [illegible]an attendants. The tables were covered with a p[illegible]usion of articles, attractive to the eye and the taste, and the ladies who were behind them exercised such a fascinating influence, that many a gentleman who went with a well-filleed purse came away with an empty one. *The fair post-mistress dispened her magic letters, which were received by eager inquirers, while the sybil's cave and its mystic tenants attracted a host of admirers....The fair will be continued to-night; and between the hours of 11 and 2 to-day, the ladies would be happy to see their friends at a collation, which will be in preparation at that time.

THERE IS HOPE STILL.—We are most happy to perceive that the citizens who have charge of the affairs of the Second Municipality are diligent readers of the Crescent, and withal, susceptible in some degree to the ameliorating influences which it is designed to have upon all men of intelligence and good natural feelings. We took it upon ourselves to "show them up," a day or two since, about the condition of the streets, and the want of the cleansing streams from the river that formerly ran through the city; and last night we were agreeably surprised, as we crossed Poydras street, by the gentle murmuring of the running water over the stone of the gutters, and the cool and refreshing atmosphere that hovered over it. We passed on to other streets and discovered that all the aqueducts had been opened, and old Father Mississippi had been permitted to undertake our washing in good earnest. This is a great step made towards health and comfort; now it remains to "stir up" the commissaries and contractors with "long poles," or put the Committee on Streets and Landings after them with "sharp sticks," and we may reasonably hope to enjoy a pleasant and healthy spring and summer. Go ahead, gentlemen: we promised to try to find something to praise in your funding scheme, if you cleaned the town, and we hope that you will give us an excuse for undertaking the desperate labor.

TRADE OF NEW ORLEANS.—A slight examination of the excellent Price Current of Cook, Young & Co. will show a most wonderful increase in the trade of this city over last year.

1849...*Increase in Exports over last year at this time.*			1849...*Receipts since the 1st of September.*		
Flour	bbls..	819,195	Flour	bbls..	715,000
Pork	"	134,956	Pork	bbls. and tcs..	419,271
Bacon	hhds..	12,356	Bacon	csks.hds.bbls..	46,692
Beef	bbls..	20,982	Beef	bbls..	33,219
Corn	sacks..	448,884	Corn	sacks	1,089,294
Wheat	"	131,681	Wheat	"	188,493
Cotton	bales..	4,778	Cotton	bales..	833,763

In addition to the above, there are the immense quantities of Sugar, Molasses, Hemp, Lard, Bagging, Bale Rope, etc.; and, when it is considered that all this is received, sold, forwarded and shipped in a less space of time than eight months; that the freight alone on the articles particularly specified amounts to over $6,000,000, that 4000 steamers and 3000 sea-vessels of various sizes, mostly very large, arrive at our port during one year, some idea may be formed of the immense trade of this city—destined, we have no doubt, to be the most densely populated of any on the Western Continent. P.

AMERICAN THEATRE.—*Mr. Eytinge's Benefit.* This epoch in the history of the dramatic season occurs to-night, and from the gentleman's extensive acquaintance here is likely to be a very flourishing affair. Mr. Eytinge is certainly one of the best representatives of the dramatic sailor we ever had the pleasure of witnessing. His performance of *William*, in "Black Eyed Susan," is capital, embracing, as it does, reality, without the bombast so often thrown into the character—'tis in fact a pleasing picture, which bears so close a resemblance to reality that one never tires of looking at it, or hesitates in taking a second peep, should the opportunity occur. In addition to this, Mr. Eytinge will appear as *Hamlet*, in the third act; and Mr. Jamison, with the whole strength of the company, will perform in a new drama of intense interest. We shall be glad to see the American crowded to-night.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE—*Mrs. R. Russell's Benefit.*—The performances at the St. Charles this evening are for the benefit of that favorite actress, Mrs. R. Russell. The beautiful drama of "The Rose of Ettrick Vale," and the farce of "A Trip to Gretna," will be performed. We trust the fair beneficiary will be greeted by a crowded house.

THE RACES.—To-day's race bids fair to be without parallel, if any judgement can be be formed from the character of the contending nags. There are four nags to contend for the purse—three mile heats—each of which is well and favorably known, their performances having placed them high on the ladder of fame. *Louisa Jordan* has won at all distances from one to four miles, and in excellent time. *Topaz* is celebrated for her performances; she had the temerity to attack Verifier last winter, and but for a heavy rain which preceded the race, would, in our opinion, have proved the winner of the "great post stake." *Little Emily* beat the hitherto invincible Red Eye at Lexington—four mile heats—in one of the best contests which has ever taken place in that section. And last, though not least, *Gallatin*, the winner of the great three mile race over the same course, where in a contest of twelve miles, he defeated Miss Forte, Mons. Bertrand, and Æolus, winning the race in four heats. He subsequently beat Revenue and others in good time. With such a field, who can doubt an attendance worthy of the occasion.

FOR CALIFORNIA.—Among the vessels up for California we notice the barque Florida, Capt. B. G. Shaw. She has been fitted up, we understand, specially for the voyage, is a fair sea vessel, and promises as much speed, safety, and comfort to those who may take passage in her as could be desired. We doubt not that she will have a full passage list, and make a pleasant and profitable voyage.

PIANO AT RAFFLE.—A splendid semi-grand Piano—the one used by Mr. Strakosch at his concerts in this city—will be raffled for on Saturday evening at Hewlett's Exchange. See adv.

OLYMPIC CIRCUS.—Another most excellent programme is presented to the patrons of the Olympic this evening. The whole strength of the company, including the performances of the manager and his accomplished daughters, will be brought into requisition upon the occasion. Those in search of amusement, are sure to be gratified by paying Stickney a visit.

CRESCENT CITY CIRCUS.—This is to be the last opportunity our up-town friends will have of patronizing this excellent Circus, as they remove to Washington Square to-morrow. The beautiful Mrs. Nunn takes her benefit on the occasion, and, as during her performances in this city she has captivated a host of friends, we expect to see a crowded canvass.

FAST.—The ship Washington Irving has recently made the run from Boston to Liverpool in fourteen and a half days.

☞ The deaths in Nashville, Tenn., from cholera, during January and February, amounted to thirty-six. The disease has disappeared.

☞ President Taylor officially recognizes Edward Francis Sweetser as Consul of the Republic of Ecuador for the port of Philadelphia.

REFORMED CODE.—Missouri has adopted the reformed practice of the law in its courts, prepared and put in force in New York.

DINNER TO EX-PRESIDENT POLK.—Yesterday afternoon, a little after six o'clock, a large company of the citizens of New Orleans met at the St. Louis Hotel and sat down to a dinner prepared by the committee of three Municipalities, and given in honor of the Ex-President. Mayor Crossman presided, and on his right was seated the distinguished guest of the city. After the soup and earlier dishes had been partaken of, the president of the feast rose and proposed the health of the "President of the United States." This toast, drank with much enthusiasm, was followed by one to the "Army and Navy." Gen. Gaines, being loudly called upon, responded in a brief and excellent manner; and then the Mayor gave the "Guest of the city, Ex-President Polk." Thereupon Mr. Polk addressed the chairman and company, and concluded with a sentiment expressive of his admiration for New Orleans, as being the emporium of the commerce of all the West. The Ex-President, though appearing somewhat worn by the cares and toils of his high office, spoke in a clear, firm voice that filled the large dining-room of the St. Louis; and the substance of his remarks were of the fittest and most appropriate character. He spoke of the great events in which he had been unexpectedly called on to play so large a part; said that the course he had pursued now formed a portion of the history of the country, and expressed his perfect confidence in the conclusions his fellow-citizens would form in regard to his motives and conduct during his eventful administration. He concluded by saying how much gratified he was at the reception now given him by the people of New Orleans when he came among them a private citizen, returning to his quiet home and deprived of all the splendors and emoluments of patronage and power. Mr. Polk sat down amidst the loud and long-continued applause of the whole company. The chairman next gave the "Governor of Louisiana;" and Gov. Johnson answered in a short speech, which he concluded by offering the health of the "Lady of our guest, Mrs. Polk." Then the Mayor gave the "Health of Mr. Clay;" and afterwards "The memory of the Heroes of the late Mexican war." Several volunteer sentiments were offered by Mr. Bernard Marigny, Col. P. W. Farrar, Mr. Fabre and others. Among the rest, Mr. Dimitry, prefacing his toast by a few appropriate remarks, gave the "Health of the once Captain, but now justly promoted, Col. Duncan." Col. Duncan, being called for, said that he was not in the habit of wasting his fire, and as there were others present so much better fitted than himself for entertaining the company with a speech, he would not take up the time of the assembly with any remarks of his own.

As Mr. Polk had fixed on 7 o'clock for the time of his departure, the company rose at that hour. The festival, although short, was of the most agreeable and hilarious character. The viands and wines were of the choicest sort, the guests were all in the best of humors, and the whole entertainment passed off in the happiest manner. After rising from dinner, the Ex-President was escorted with music and by a large *cortége* to the Caroline E. Watkins, bound for Nashville....May he have a prosperous voyage to the home he has chosen in Tennessee, and may he find rest from his official toils and troubles in the circle of friends and acquaintances, who await his arrival in the "City of Rocks!"

THE BAR.—At half past twelve o'clock yesterday, a meeting of the members of the bar was held in the Supreme Court Room, at which Chief Justice Eustis presided. Mr. Hunton offered resolutions expressive of the sorrow of the bar at the death of *Charles M. Randal, Esq.*; offering their condolence to his family, and resolving to wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days, which were unanimously adopted. The judges of the Supreme and District Courts, and the members of the bar then proceeded in a body to pay their respects to ex-President Polk, at the St. Louis Hotel. The Chief Justice introduced the assembly to the ex-President in a brief speech, to which the latter replied in one equally brief, and each of the gentlemen was in turn presented by Gen. Lewis, and shook hands with the distinguished citizen.

ORLEANS JOCKEY CLUB RACES—*Bingaman Course.*—The sport yesterday was not very exciting, but sufficiently interesting to have been worthy of being witnessed by more lovers of turf sports than we saw on the ground. With a fine, pleasant day, the course in good condition, and three good 'uns to try their speed in two mile heats, we looked for a "tall" gathering, but in this we were disappointed. Nevertheless there was a pretty fair attendance.

The race was for a $300 purse—two mile heats. *Djalma, Jenny Lind* and *Æolus*, were the contending nags, and the first named carried off the prize in two straight heats "just as easy as winking." At starting, *Djalma* was the favorite at about 3 to 2 against him, but we believe not much business was done, the friends of *Jenny* and *Æolus* being rather shy, and, as the result showed, with good reason.

The start for the first heat was a pretty one, all three going off abreast—*Djalma* at once jumped in advance, *Æolus* taking second place, and *Jenny* bringing up the rear. In this order they ran round the course, the pace being rather slow. As they passed the stand, *Djalma* was about a length ahead of *Æolus*, and held well in hand, *Jenny* still occupying her position. Soon afterwards, *Jenny* began to drop off and seemed inclined to take it easy, leaving the other two to contend for the heat. As they approached the turn coming home, *Æolus* lessened the distance between him and *Djalma*, and as they swept round, made a dash for the heat but it was no go; the *Trustee* gelding shaking him off instanter and coming in an easy winner by a couple of lengths in 3:52.

All three cooled off well and showed no signs of distress—*Djalma* on the contrary was full of mischief and looked like a dangerous customer for the next heat. *Jenny* had a few friends who thought she might be able to "come to tea," but *Æolus*, although in fine form and admirable condition, appeared to be left out of all calculations.

Time having arrived to start for the second heat, and the jockeys being mounted and all ready, the word was given and off the three went, Djalma inside, leading, Æolus a close second and the mare third. In this order they galloped round the course and thus they passed the stand. Soon afterwards, Æolus and Jenny changed places, and the gap between each nag was gradually increased. No further change took place; neither Jenny nor Æolus could make a show, and Djalma came in a winner by several lengths, Jenny second and Æolus far behind. Time 3:45....The winner is a fine animal, shows excellent racing qualities, and if he trains on, and has luck, will prove a dangerous customer to some of the "bright particular stars" of the northern turf. He is full of mischief, gallops well, and has the real stuff in him, but neither of his competitors yesterday were able to put him to his speed. We subjoin a summary of the race.

SECOND DAY—*Thursday, March 22.*—Purse of $300—two mile heats.

W. J. Minor's ch. g. *Djalma*, by imp. Trustee, out of Lady Jane—3 y. o.....1 1
H. Porter's b. m. *Jenny Lind*, own sister to Charmer—5 y. o.....3 2
D. F. Kenner's gr. g. *Æolus*, by Gray Medoc, dam by imp. Leviathan—5 y. o.....2 3
Time—3:52—3:45.

☞ The steamer Domain was sunk a few days since in the Upper Mississippi, about five miles below Quincy, and now lies in about ten feet water. She had on board but little cargo, most of which was saved. The boat was an old one, and will prove a total loss. She was owned by the captain and the other officers, and was insured for $2500.

NEW COUNTERFEIT.—The last counterfeit is that of railroad tickets for the Camden and Amboy line. One was taken in the cars on the 12th inst., and others have since been found.

☞ The Liverpool packet-ship Guy Mannering, 1600 tons, was launched at New York on the 13th. HO!

Revision of United States Laws.

Mr. Gillett, the Solicitor of the Treasury, has recently written a letter to the late Secretary, Mr. Walker, in which he urges the necessity for a complete and thorough revision of the laws of the United States. No one is so capable of appreciating the faults and inconsistencies of the United States statutes, as is the Solicitor of the Treasury. Entrusted with the management and control of all suits of a civil nature, to which the Federal Government is a party, including prosecutions for fines, penalties and forfeitures, except those imposed on postmasters for failing to make returns or pay over the proceeds of their offices, this responsible officer is daily called upon to examine and interpret the Congressional statutes; and he, more than any one else, feels all the inconveniences of that hasty and voluminous legislation which absurdly fancies that multiplicity of words is requisite for clearness and exactness of expression.

The number of men who go to Congress in order to spout and rant about abstract questions of party, rather than for the purpose of passing such laws as are necessary for the good administration of the Government, so far exceeds the number of the working members that a vast load of incongruous and altogether inefficient enactments finds its way into the statute-book. The well-informed and really useful members of Congress, not only have to consider the measures required by the state of the country, but they also have to watch and see that the ignorant and weak do not slip confused and deleterious acts into the mass of statutes which already over-burden the people and the Government. Many members, ignorant and altogether heedless of previous acts of Congress—fancying, in fact, that all laws were ill made until they got to be legislators—set themselves to work to lay again the foundations of the administrative departments; and scorning to study before they legislate, these intuitively wise statesmen pile enactment upon enactment until it is impossible for the lawyer, much less the citizen, to know what the law is, or whether there really exists any law at all.

Mr. Gillett states some facts admirably illustrative of this tendency of our federal legislators. For example, by a statute of 1847, the Postmaster is authorized to procure and issue postage-stamps; and it is further provided that any one who shall falsely and fraudulently make, utter or forge any postage-stamp, with intent to defraud the Post-office Department, shall be deemed guilty of felony, and be subject to the same punishment provided in the 21st section of the Post-office Law of March 3d, 1825. On examination, we find that the section referred to provides four different penalties—first, a fine not exceeding $300, or six months imprisonment, or both; second, imprisonment not less than ten nor more than twenty-one years; third, a penalty not exceeding $500, and the fourth a penalty not exceeding $50. Now, a forgery has been discovered, and what punishment, think you, has been inflicted? The proper court has held that the act of 1847 is void for uncertainty. Again, it has been enacted that no person shall be imprisoned for debt in any State, on process from a United States court, when by the laws of such State imprisonment for debt has been, or shall be, abolished. It was supposed that Congress intended to include, by the word "debt," only cases arising in contract. But a United States judge has held that the statute extended to all cases of fines and penalties for violation of the revenue, and other laws where the remedy is by action of debt. Hence foreign masters of vessels commit offences, and incur penalties, without danger of loss or punishment. A large portion of the revenue laws is thus annulled and made of no effect.

The difference between the number of laws existing on the statute-book and those really in force is great and constantly increasing. Thus, in 1844, the revenue laws theretofore passed were collected into a volume containing 486 chapters and extending to about 1000 pages. It is calculated that about 200 of the 1000 pages are now in force. Twenty years ago the land laws were published in the same manner, and extended to over 1000 pages, and since then numerous acts on the subject have been passed. Probably, says Mr. Gillett, not more than 100 pages of the land laws are now operative. Suits constantly arise out of the confusion and obscurity in which these laws are enveloped. The same glorious uncertainty reigns in other portions of our statutes, especially in those having reference to the judiciary.

In such a state of the statutes of the General Government it is clearly impossible for the citizen to comply with the legal rule which binds him to know the law. If the Solicitor of the Treasury, with a large stock of professional knowledge and a thorough training in professional logic, finds it impossible to determine what acts are in force, or to interpret the statutes he may have before him, how much greater must be the mental darkness of those sitting without the pale of the bar.

Mr. Gillett, in addition to the recommendations he puts forth for the revision and correction of the statutes, suggests that the proper officers of the Circuit and District Courts be required to report to the Solicitor all prosecutions for crimes and offences against the penal laws of the United States. At present, the District Attorneys report to no other officer the criminal suits they may see fit to institute. Hence, Congress is wofully deficient in all statistical information as to the amount and nature of the crimes committed against the Federal Government. Besides the useful information which would, by such a course, be furnished to Congress, thereby enabling it to legislate with more certainty and benefit to the country, a general supervisory power given to the Solicitor over these cases would enable him to give such information to Marshals and District Attorneys as would secure the apprehension of criminals escaping from one district into another.

Uncertain laws are bad laws; in fact, they are no laws at all. The several States of the Union have felt the force of this truth, and have at different times revised and corrected their statutes. Shall the Federal Government, which in so many respects boasts the superiority of its legislative character over that of the States, lag behind in the race of legal retrenchment and reform? If our lawyers in Congress had a little more devotion to their science and a little less of the debating propensity attributed to the profession, they would speedily take measures for revising the acts of the United States. The people, who are deeply interested in the matter, should enjoin the measure on their representatives in the next Congress.

STEAMBOAT ACCIDENT.—The steamboat Webster, at Cave-in-Rock, on the Ohio, broke her engines, and was unable to proceed on her journey. The Webster was on her way to Cincinnati, and was advertised to carry California adventurers up the Missouri river.

REJECTED.—The New York Assembly has rejected the divorce bill—making insanity a ground of divorce.

CURIOUS EPIDEMIC.—For several weeks a singular epidemic has been prevailing in Fayette county, Pa., about which the physicians differ, some pronouncing it cholera, and others a malignant influenza. There have been about 60 cases of the disease, 22 of which proved fatal. It was generally preceded by heavy colds, and such was its violence, that in some cases death ensued in a few hours. It is always accompanied by cramp.

THE SLUNG SHOT.—Notice has been given, in the New York Legislature, of the introduction of a bill prohibiting the sale or use of the instrument known as slung shot.

HORRIBLE.—The county alms-house of Ghent, near Chatham, N. Y., was destroyed by fire on the 9th. In one portion of the building six lunatics were confined, three of whom perished in the flames.

INCENDIARISM AT PITTSBURG.—Stables and board-piles are nightly set on fire at Pittsburg. The Mayor has offered a reward of $1500 for their detection and conviction. Officer Herring on the 13th arrested a young man named John Orr, whilst in the act of setting fire to the Exchange Stables.

Telegraphed to the "Daily Crescent."

Northern Markets.

BALTIMORE, March 18, 1849.—The New York Cotton market is steady—sales amounting to 700 bales, at previous rates.....Treasury Notes ¼, (?) New Loan 12¼.....Flour is unchanged. Provisions quiet.

SECOND DISPATCH.

BALTIMORE, March 19.—At New York Cotton is in steady demand for Fair. Sales amount to 1000 bales. Flour dull. Provisions drooping—Mess Pork $10 62.

The Hudson river is now open.

REPORTED REJECTION.—The Richmond Enquirer says that it was stated in that city, by the whigs, that the nomination of John S. Pendleton, to the full mission to Chili, had been rejected by the Senate.

VIRGINIA NOMINATIONS.—The whig convention of the First Congressional District, Va., nominated Capt. Samuel Watts, of Portsmouth, as their candidate for Congress.

☞ A Native American Mayor has been elected at Camden, N. J.

☞ Dr. Thomas Dick, the celebrated Christian Philosopher, intends to visit the United States this summer, it is said.

JEFFERSON'S NOTES ON VIRGINIA.—The original MS. copy of this celebrated work has recently been recovered, and is now deposited in the Library of Congress. It was thought to be irretrievably lost.

☞ A new poem, by Longfellow, entitled Kavanagh—a story of New England life—is to be published about the first of May.

☞ A Philadelphia publisher announces a two-shilling edition of Macaulay's History of England, to be issued immediately.

RESIGNED.—Dr. Bascom and Professor Capers have resigned their chairs in the Transylvania University.

☞ An act is about to be passed excluding insolvents from the British House of Commons.

WINE.—Horace Vaughn made the past season one hundred barrels of wine from vines growing wild within a few miles of East Greenwich, R. I.

☞ Runaway slaves cannot be called free-soilers or Wilmot proviso men, for they aim to carry slaves into free territory.

☞ The steamship Oregon left Rio de Janeiro, for Panama, about the 20th January.

☞ Persia is at present disturbed by a serious rebellion. An army sent by the Shah to suppress it joined the insurgents, and it was announced that they would march against the Shah, with the intention of dethroning him.

☞ Cobden, in his great speech on financial reform, in an allusion to the trade of England with this country, says of America: "It is a colony broke loose; and we may thank our stars it has broke loose; it never would have been such a customer if the aristocracy of England had held that field of patronage for their younger sons."

SONNET TO A TOM CAT—BY W. H. P.

"Murabus *Tomcatus*."—ZEPHYR.

Thou midnight chorister, that o'er house-top rambles
With most melodious and mellifluent hymn,
Making night vocal, though the stars be dim,
As in thy mirth thy wanton spirit gambols
O'er shed and fence, with most chamois-like scrambles,
Pavement and chimney-top, alike are thine—
Haunts, where the foot of man can never go—
Loopholes and cocklofts, he can never know,
Echo thy dulcet and translucent whine,
Whose *lofty* note, like Jenny Lind's, shall shine,
Thou very *night*-ingale of school feline,
Prythee, sing on; there's magic mingled in thy song,
I love to linger near thy voice's swelling;
Thy heart seems figured in thy tongue, and tel ing
Some tale of "folly, falsehood, vice or wrong,"
Unto the dreamy world, the lone-night long.

Auction Sales This Day.

RICHARD TERRELL will sell, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Antiquarian Bookstore, under the St. Charles Hotel, a fine assortment of Watches, Jewelry, Books, Paintings, Statuary, etc., etc. [See adv.

Arrivals at the Principal Hotels Yesterday.

HEWLETT'S....J Bacon, Miss; J E Rogan, Tenn; Dr A W Brewster, N H Flash, R Richards, D D Richardson, E M Richardson, La; A E Anlun, Mo.

PLANTERS'....J B Nesbit, Miss; B F Field, Ky; E S Baust, J Pickens, Ala; A J Pulhill, J A Camthus, J A Fisher, J H Hancock, C H Taylor, W J Shield, Dr Taylor, Col G Elliott, Ga; J McDuffie, J C Martinely, J Litcher, Pa; W D Robinson, La; W J Leverett, Ala; N Burns.

ST. CHARLES....J P Shropshire and lady, J McFarland, J M Allen, B S Fearing, Miss; S Noble, Ky; J C Cotter, Rev A D McCoy, La; F Hyde, N O; J Plaut; N H, W Williams, Pa; C E Perry, Iowa; G W Robinson, Miss; H Arts; W Crocker.

ST. CHARLES....M Lovell, Major Dashiell, Col Montgomery, U S A; J C Howard; Miss M Colburn, Mass; R K Barrow, T Haskell, J B Murphy, Col Williams and lady, La; W H Glasgow, E J Gray, Mo; A H Dillingham.

☞ **Native American Fire Co. No. 16.**—The members of the above Company are requested to attend the funeral of HENRY B. SMITH, late Secretary of this Company, which will take place from the Engine House, in Bourbon street, between Canal and Customhouse, THIS EVENING, Friday, 23d inst., at half-past 3 o'clock....The members of the Fire Department generally are respectfully invited to attend, without further notice. mh22 P. W. LESLIE, Foreman.

☞ **Notice.**—The Committee appointed to raise subscriptions for the Destitute Immigrants, are requested to meet at the Council Chamber of First Municipality on SUNDAY MORNING, March 25, at 11 o'clock, to meet the Executive Committee and close the Subscription Lists....By order of P. G. COLLINS, JAS. WALSH, Sec'y. mh22 2t Ch'n Ex. Com.

☞ **I. O. O. F.**—*Odd Fellows' Hall Association.*—The subscribers to the Capital Stock of this Association are hereby notified that, as the requisite number of shares have been taken, the first instalment of Two Dollars per Share has become payable, and will be demanded from and after the THIRD OF APRIL NEXT....All who are disposed to pay before that date can do so by calling upon the Treasurer, Jas. D. Stewart, on any day, between the hours of 4 and 6 P. M., at the office of Messrs. Cummings & Spyker, 13 St. Charles st., up stairs. By order of the Board of Directors. mh23 4ap THOS. W. VAN WYCK, Secretary.

☞ **Native American Fire Co. No. 16.**—A Called Meeting of the Company will be held at the Engine House on FRIDAY EVENING, March 23, at half-past 7 o'clock....Punctual attendance is requested, as business of importance will be laid before the Company....By order. mh23 L. P. McILVAIN, Sec'y.

☞ **Perseverance Fire Co. No. 13**—Attend the Regular Monthly Meeting on MONDAY, 26th inst., at half-past 7 P. M. By order. HENRY J. HYAMS, Secretary. mh22

DEMOCRATS, ATTENTION!

☞ **Second Ward, Second Municipality.**—A meeting of the Democrats of the Second Ward will take place at De Grange's Coffee House (Horse Station), on SATURDAY EVENING, 24th inst., at half-past 7 o'clock; for the purpose of nominating Aldermen to represent this Ward. Every Democrat, and all persons in favor of municipal reform, are requested to be present. mh22 2t

☞ **First Ward, Second Municipality.**—At a numerous meeting of the Democrats of this Ward, held at Young's Coffee House, on Wednesday, 21st inst., JOHN DUGGAN, Esq., was called to the Chair. He having explained the object of the meeting, Messrs. JOHN M. BELL and J. N. LEA were unanimously nominated to represent the Ward in the Second Municipality Council at the ensuing election....It was resolved, that the proceedings of the meeting be published in the Crescent and Delta. mh22* JOHN DUGGAN, Chairman.

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VALUABLE RAFFLE—At Hewlett's Exchange.
A CHICKERING SEMI-GRAND PIANO, selected from his Manufactory, and used by Mr. STRAKOSCH at his Concerts—110 Chances—$10 Each—Six Prizes—the highest throw by dice will be entitled to the Piano, and the next five highest throws will have their subscription money returned.
The Piano can be examined by the Ladies at the Music Store of Mr. H. Parsons, 84 Camp street, until Monday morning next, after which it can be seen at Hewlett' Exchange, Common street, where Free Concerts will be given every evening until the following SATURDAY (31st inst.) on which day the Raffle will take place. mh23 2t

RACES.....BINGAMAN COURSE, ALGIERS.

Spring Meeting....Orleans Jockey Club.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY, March 23, 1849....Race to come off at half-past 2 o'clock....Purse $500—Three mile heats.

Entries.

1....Ig. Szymanski's ch. m. *Little Emily*, by Wagner, dam by imp. Leviathan—5 y. o.—107 lb. Dress yellow and white.
2....D. F. Kenner's ch. m. *Louisa Jordan*, by imp. Jordan, dam by John Richards—6 y. o.—115 lb. Dress red and red.
3....A. Lecomte & Co.'s ch. h. *Gallatin*, by Wagner, dam by imp. Leviathan—4 y. o.—100 lb. Dress red and white.
4....I. VanLeer's b. f. *Topaz*, by imp. Glencoe, out of Emerald—4 y. o.—97 lb. Dress black and buff.

☞ The above entries give assurance of a splendid contest. Each horse is a great favorite, and immense sums of money have been staked upon the result.

☞ The steamer Champion will run as a Ferry Boat, leaving the foot of Canal street every ten minutes during the race week.

☞ Commodious and elegant Ferry Boats, capable of accommodating thousands of persons, will leave regularly the Place d'Armes, First Municipality, and the Ferry Landing, opposite the Mint, Third Municipality, every five minutes.

☞ Admission; Gate and Public Stands, $1.
mh23 OLIVER & VALENTINE, Proprietors.

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

UNION DIVISION No. 3, Crystal Fount Hall, 222 Tchoupitoulas street, at half-past 7.

PEARL DIVISION, No. 8, meets at Temple, No. 58½ Canal street, at half-past 7 o'clock.

LOUISIANA DIVISION No. 11, at Unity Hall, Marigny Buildings, Third Municipality, at half-past 7.

STAR OF HOPE DIVISION No. 26, at Y. Brothers' Hall, Lafayette, at half-past 7.

Steamboat Departures This Day.

☞ *SEE ADVERTISEMENTS ON THIRD PAGE.*

Mobile.....CALIFORNIA, Reynolds, 3½ P. M. cars.
Mobile.....E. A. OGDEN, Kercheval, 4 P. M.
Pittsburg.....UNITED STATES, Caldwell, 12 M.
Mobile.....MOBILE, Sutton, 5½ P. M.

☞ **The steamship E. A. Ogden**—*Weekly Packet Line*—For Montgomery, Wetumpka and all landings on Alabama River—The packet steamship E. A. OGDEN is now receiving freight, in the New Basin, foot of Julia street, and leaves THIS DAY, Friday, March 23, at 4 o'clock punctually.
mh23 HYDE & OGLESBY, 12 Poydras st.

☞ **U. S. Mail United States**—For Louisville, Cincinnati, Wheeling and Pittsburg—THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock, positively, from Poydras street wharf.
HYDE & OGLESBY, 12 Poydras st.
N. B. Passengers will please be on board at the above hour. mh23

☞ **The brig G. W. Lawrence**, from Boston, is now discharging her cargo at Post 7, Second Municipality. Consignees will please attend to the receipt of their goods on the Levee, or they will be stored at their risk and expense.
mh23 J. W. ANDREWS & CO. 91 Common st.

☞ **The Consignee** of forty-five casks Nails, per brig G. W. Lawrence, from Boston, will please leave his address with the discharging clerk.
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☞ **Bark Delia Chapin, McNear, from New York**, is now discharging at Post 13, Second Municipality. Consignees will please receipt for their goods on the Levee. Consignees of the following goods—A. J. Loud, 1 box; Order, 25 bbls. cider, W L A; Bowne & Smith, 1 cask; D. T. Card, 1 box; Allen Paine, 1 case—will make their residences known to the discharging clerk on the Levee, and pay charges to the undersigned, or they will be stored at their expense and risk.
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☞ **Cargo from Wreck of Bark Duc d'Orleans.**—Consignees of Cargo originally shipped at Havre on board the bark DUC D'ORLEANS, and reshipped in part from Cork per bark ORION, will please sign the Average Bond and give in the amount of their invoices without delay.
mh16 DEWEY & CO., 67 Gravier st.

☞ **Lectures**—*For the Benefit of an Asylum for the Relief of Destitute Females*—AT ARMORY HALL.—The Sixth of the Series will be delivered on MONDAY EVENING, 26th inst., at half-past 7 o'clock, by the Rev. Dr. SCOTT.....Subject—"Emigration to America, Some of its Results, and Our Duty as American Citizens."
M. M. COHEN,
JAMES SAUL,
B. M. NORMAN,
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Brilliant Musical Festival.

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Have the honor to announce to the citizens of New Orleans, that they will give a *GRAND GALA CONCERT* at the
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Madame CAILLY will sing, amongst other pieces, the famous Air from "Semiramide;" the Grand Duo from "Norma," together with Madame CASINI, Aria, "Va dit-elle," from Robert the Devil; and (by particular request), "Casta Diva," from Norma.

☞ The Orchestra will execute two Grand Overtures, from Mr. SCHMITT, the second composed expressly for this Festival.

☞ Tickets, One Dollar—to be had exclusively at the Armory hall. Gentlemen are requested to procure Tickets previous to the evening of the Concert, in order to prevent confusion....Doors open at half-past 6; Concert will commence at half-past 7 o'clock.

☞ *The Hall will be Splendidly Illuminated.* mh19

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mh22 1m Sole Agents for the Southern and Western States.

Scientific and Miscellaneous Books.

☞ Lately received, and for sale at the New Orleans Stationers' Warehouse, 14 CAMP STREET:
Woodcroft's Origin and Progress of Steam Navigation.
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Dutt's Single and Double Entry Book-Keeping.
Kirke's and Paget's Manual of Physiology.
Morfit's Chemical and Pharmaceutic Manipulations, with four hundred and twenty-three illustrations.
Ranking's Abstract, Vol. IV, No. 2, for January, 1849.
Morton's Human Anatomy.
Boman's Introduction to Practical Chemistry.
Clegg's Practical Treatise on the Manufacture and Distribution of Coal Gas. 1 vol. 8vo.
Randall's Sheep Husbandry. Edited by J. S. Skinner.
Hayden's Dictionary of Dates and Universal Reference.
Household Education. By Harriet Martineau.
Shaw's Outlines of English Literature.
Mysteries of City Life. By James Rees.
The Æolian. By David Bates.
A Week at Glenville. By a Philadelphia Lady.
Partners for Life. A Christmas Story. By Camilla Toulmin.
Griswold's Female Poets of America.
Adler's New German and English Dictionary.
mh19 6td 1tW J. B. STEEL, 14 Camp street.

☞ **Gas Light Company.**—NEW ORLEANS, March 13, 1849.—A Dividend of Two-and-a-half per cent. from the Assets of the late Bank Department will be paid to the Stockholders of this Institution on and after 1st April next.
mh14 eod10t P. N. WOOD, Treasurer.

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