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NEW ORLEANS:

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 29, 1850.

See advertisements of Auction Sales on first page.

See Fourth Page for Commercial, Marine and River News.

We are gratified to learn that R. M. McAlpin, Esq., has been appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, Superintendent of the Branch Mint in this city.

A CORRECTION.—In alluding to the speakers who addressed the Great Union Meeting out doors on Wednesday night, we gave the name of J. C. Reed, jr., which was intended for our fellow-citizen Sam. C. Reid, jr. Mr. Reid spoke in the highest terms of the feeling of the Northern people towards the South, and passed a glowing eulogy on the course of Hon. Daniel Webster.

SPECIE.—The brig Union, which arrived yesterday from Vera Cruz, brought $7600 in specie; and the schooner H. L. Scranton, from Brazos, $5000.

Mr. Stewart, Mexican Consul for New York, arrived in this city yesterday, in the brig Union, from Vera Cruz. One hundred and thirty-six Californians also came passengers in the Union. They returned by way of Acapulco, and have in their possession $200,000.

A mistake was made in the last letter of our New York correspondent in the use of the name "Rev. Joel Parker," for that of the Rev. Theodore Parker. The error was of some consequence to the former, as the reputation of the latter is not particularly enviable.

From Mexico.

We are indebted to Capt. Radovich, of the brig Union, for files of Mexican papers. The Union left Vera Cruz on the 22d, bringing 136 passengers from California, by the way of Acapulco and Vera Cruz.

It is settled that Gen. Arista has been elected President of the Republic by a large majority of the votes of the different departments.

M. Cuevas has been nominated President of the Senate for the month of November; and M. Carpio chosen President and M. Beistegui Vice-President of the Chamber of Deputies.

An express rider had arrived at the Capital from Guerrero, and reported that Gen. Joaquin Rea, residing at the village of Minerva, of the Municipality of Ayutla, had been assassinated by a certain Félipe Delgado, at the head of a band of desperadoes. The Alcalde, Juan Estrada, had been previously assassinated by the same party. The authorities of Ayutla and of the State of Guerrero had taken the necessary measures to apprehend the ruffians, and to repress any further violence.

The diligence from Tierra-dentro had twice been attacked and plundered, near the city, by a party composed of nine men and four women. The mail from Puebla had just before been robbed in like manner. Highway robbers had become so bold as to commit their depredations almost within the gates of the city—these depredating parties being often composed in part of women.

The foregoing intelligence is taken from *Le Trait d'Union* of the 6th of November. In the same journal of the 9th November, we see noticed the deaths of Generals Tomas Requena and Manuel Romero, the former of Guadalajara, and the latter of San Luis Potosi. Thus within one week, says the journal from which we quote, the Republic is called to mourn the loss of three distinguished officers.

The Monplaisaire made their first appearance at Vera Cruz on the 3d.

We notice no other items of special interest.

We invite attention to the advertisement in another column, of Mr. Lefort, Confectioner, No. 102 St. Charles street. We can testify that he is emphatically a prince among confectioners. Of his wines, *cordials, etc.*, we can only judge by their *brands*, as we never *taste* anything of the kind; but from this test we have no doubt they are the very best. His pastries, cakes, candies, chocolate, and other fancy articles in his line, are unsurpassed; and he has them in almost endless variety. We think our friends might find it to their advantage to call a little out of their way to call at No. 102 St. Charles street. They will find it a splendid establishment.

We thank the steamer St. Paul for a late St. Louis paper.

We are requested to call the attention of the trade to the continuation of the sale for liquidation, at the store of Mr. J. F. Bercier & Co., which will take place this day at ten o'clock, by Bernard Turpin, auctioneer.

LOSS OF THE U. S. SHIP OF WAR YORKTOWN.—The Eastern mail brings intelligence of the undoubted loss of the United States ship of war Yorktown, as letters have been received in Boston, from on board the United States ship Dale, which confirm the report, and add that the officers and crew of the Yorktown were on board the Dale, all safe.

The following is the list of passengers per steamship Pacific, which left yesterday morning, at eight o'clock, for New York *via* Havana and Chagres:

FOR NEW YORK.—Mr Morse and family, Hon Mr Gwyn and family, Geo Mushaway, R S Fitz, J Knox Walker, Dr Mackie, Judge Bullard, J J Wicks, E La Sere, W D Gallagher, F W Lecture, Geo Browne, L Abat, H Steel, H Gorman, G W Frink, Hon H S Foote.

FOR HAVANA.—H Sharp, G Guellero, J Panuro, J J Keller, A Labart, Dr Theobald, lady and son, L Kraft, Mr Dupuma, A Mayer, Gaston, C Mesplie, A Mayer, Gaston, F Maldenbach, F Bauman, Jose del La Tavilla, R White.

FOR CHAGRES.—John Adams, G W Barbour, Kit Barbour, J J B Babb, J Gaubert, C P Vose, H A Cubb, J Bingham, E Richmond, A Williams, John Ward, D Williams, T W Snyder, L Leuke, J B Barrett, E Benn, O W McKinstry, B A Moranta, C Platel, Mr. Lepson.

FROM LIBERIA.—The Liberia packet has led her last passengers at Monrovia, on the 28th August, all well, after a passage of thirty-four days from Hampton Roads. She carried out fifty-six passengers, among whom were the Rev. Mr. Wood and lady, of Liverpool. The news of President Taylor's death was received on the coast by the arrival of the Liberia packet.

The U. S. sloop-of-war Portsmouth, bearing the broad pennant of Com. F. H. Gregory, Commander-in-Chief of the naval forces on the coast of Africa, arrived at Monrovia on the 20th of September, fifteen days from Lagos—all well. She sailed the next day for the Cape de Verde Islands.

The Herald of September 17, contains an account of the capture of a slaver, which we presume is the "Chatsworth," formerly of Baltimore, and which arrived here on Tuesday last, and says she was fitted to carry 700 negroes.

THE GEORGIA ELECTIONS.—The Mobile Advertiser publishes the following telegraphic dispatch from the editors of the Macon Messenger and Journal. It seems that the rampant seceders of Georgia "can't come it," after all their bluster. So, also, it will be with Mississippi—our word for it. But to the dispatch:

MACON, NOV. 25—7½ o'clock, P. M.

The Union party have carried the State by an overwhelming majority—perhaps THIRTY THOUSAND.

Out of twenty-three counties, the disunionists have carried but three, by an aggregate majority of less than 200. The others send union delegates by from 1000 to 1200 majority.

No use knocking at the door any more!

The Revenue Cutter Crawford, Captain Cook, upon a cruise of Examination of Lighthouses, left Key West, November 11th, and arrived in Mobile Bay on Tuesday. Spoke off Tampa Bay schooner John Rodief, Morrison, from Tampa Bay bound to New York. The following is a list of the officers of the Crawford:—N. L. Cook, Captain; C. Peters, 1st Lieutenant; W. F. Rogan, 2nd Lieutenant.

VESSEL ASHORE.—A dispatch, dated Boston, November 20, says: "A ship or bark went ashore on Sunday night, during the gale, on Smith's Point, Nantucket. Her masts were all gone. No communication had been made with her when the steamer Massachusetts left yesterday morning, and we shall probably hear nothing more from her until this evening. The Fall River cars arrived at 6 o'clock this morning. Harnden's Express came that way, no Stonington boat having left New York."

NAVAL.—The United States sloop-of-war Albany, now lying at the Charlestown Navy Yard, is ready to receive her crew, who have all been shipped. She is destined as one of the Home Squadron, and is ordered to rendezvous with the residue of the squadron at Havana. She will probably sail about the first or tenth of December. The following officers have already reported for duty on board of the Albany: Commander, Charles T. Platt; Lieutenants, Wm. Rogers Taylor, Charles Hunter, Stephen D. Trenchard, and Van Rensselaer Morgan; Surgeon, Daniel McLeod; Assistant Surgeon, Henry O. Mayo; Purser, D. Fauntleroy; Master, A. R. Hughes; Marine Officer, Lt. Edward L. West; Passed Midshipmen, John R. Wilson, and Peter Wilkinson; Midshipmen, J. P. Foster, and Henry M. Thorne; Forward Officers, Mr. Fosdick, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Seaman and Mr. Leitch.

The Soule Meeting.

A meeting is advertised in the *Courier*, to take place at the St. Louis Hall Room, on Saturday evening next. It is made to bear the specious title of a *Southern Rights Meeting*, but the disguise is too transparent. The most careless observer cannot fail to perceive in the movement a last dying struggle to bolster up the falling fortunes of the "American Senator."

We doubt not the assemblage will be large. The hero of the play has become quite a Lion of late. Thousands of our fellow-citizens who utterly repudiate him and his course, will be there to hear what sort of an apology he can make, or will attempt to make, for his late efforts to pull down the edifice which afforded him shelter, when, from his own story, he fled from the storms of political persecutions in his own country. Little did the founders of our Government anticipate, when they threw open their doors to the "oppressed of all nations," that before their bones should have mouldered in their sepulchres, "a young lawyer"* would emerge from the hot-bed of revolution, anarchy, and political desolation, brave the billows of the Atlantic, and land upon our shores to scatter the seeds of Jacobinism among their children, and to nerve the parricidal arm that would raze our glorious fabric to the earth—marching shoulder to shoulder with the nations who would trample the ensigns of the nation in the dust!

We should be glad to see the resolutions which are to be proposed for the adoption of this meeting. The Delta called for the resolutions prepared by the Committee for the consideration of the late Union Meeting, in order that they might be canvassed and duly considered before hand. They were furnished and published, and after being discussed and fully considered, were amended so as to conform perfectly to the public sentiment. We trust the same course will be taken with those intended for the preservation, not of the *Union*, but the "*American Senator*," from *dissolution*. It is also stated by the Courier, that Gov. Quitman of Mississippi has been invited to attend this meeting, and he is in fact announced, we believe, as one of the speakers, on the occasion. We very much fear His Excellency will not attend. He will no doubt be there "in spirit," but not in person. His friends here, however, need not take umbrage in case of his failure even to reply to their invitation. We are credibly informed that he has had a *standing invitation* for several months, from twenty-four highly respectable gentlemen, all free-holders of the Parish of Orleans, and selected *without reference to party*, to visit our city. But so far from complying, he has never yet responded to the invitation, although a gentleman high in office under the General Government has been specially deputed to wait upon him on his arrival, and show him every attention.

* See the Duke of Saxe Weimer's Travels.

The meeting at the St. Charles last night was got up in a very imposing style, and was numerously attended. The morning papers have already published its details, and three speeches nothing for us to add. The Resolutions published in this and other journals were adopted with enthusiasm. They strike us, as they strike many, as exceedingly objectionable, and far in the rear of the opinions and feelings of the people of Louisiana. We do not believe they will make any impression on the Northern people, or contribute to arrest the march of those evils that are pressing upon us. The meeting thought otherwise. Let us hope that they think correctly.

The above is from the Courier of yesterday evening; and it is all—ALL—that that *Union-loving* journal has to say in regard to the vast meeting of the citizens of New Orleans at the St. Charles on Wednesday evening! Comment is unnecessary.

Steamboat Explosion and Loss of Life.

The Mobile Advertiser of yesterday morning, gives the following account of a terrible steamboat explosion:

The steamboat Arkansas arrived late last evening, bringing the sad intelligence of the explosion of the boilers of the Antoinette Douglass—killing and wounding thirty-four passengers, whose names are given, and twenty five of a mixed crew. We give as full a report of the awful catastrophe as could be obtained last night, for which we are indebted to Mr. W. B. Weaver, Esq., of the firm of Weaver, Mullin & Co., of this city. The Douglass had on board about one hundred and twenty-five passengers—and, with what was on her barge, about 1300 bales of cotton, some 900 of which were on the boat. The boat and cotton on her are a total loss—as both were consumed after the explosion. That on the barge was saved, as the passengers and crew escaped from the boat to the barge, and then cut her loose.

We are informed that, upon being aroused by the report, many of the passengers left their berths, and in the confusion, smoke and steam, rushed forward and fell upon the hot boilers. A good many are supposed to have been wounded in this way. The Register of the boat is lost, and the list of passengers is made out by the survivors.

The following is the list of the killed and wounded—nothing has yet transpired relative to the missing:

KILLED.—J A Gideon, Autauga; Samuel Montgomery, Harkeaper.

VERY BADLY WOUNDED.—Samuel M Bennet, Marengo; W Harzard, Selma; Adolphus Custer, (residence unknown); F Watts, Dallas; A G Tuttle, Pike county; Wm. Forrester, Montgomery; Edward Mc Cord, Mobile, (since dead); H Crossman, Bridgeport; John Cable, (supposed from Marion); John Hart, Wilcox; E B Wall, Marengo; W W King, Georgia; R W Roberts, (residence not known.) S A Nelson, Perry county; S A Wilson, Dallas; boys Job and George, belonging to J Martin.

SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.—W A McMillan, Wilcox; C C Sellers, Wilcox; J Kelly (residence unknown); H C Clark, Mobile; Dr Caldwell, Camden; E Parkman, Selma; E L Schoolcraft, (residence unknown) A J Martin, Dallas; T F Hilliard, Fort Decatur; J A Weaver, Montgomery; Benjamin Oppenheim, (residence not known;) Henry Adams, (residence not known;) W B Taylor, (residence not known.)

There are twenty-five missing.

ON BOARD STEAMER ARKANSAS NO. 5, November 26, 1850.

We, the surviving passengers of the ill-fated steamer Antoinette Douglass, make the following statement in regard to her melancholy fate:

Between 4 and 5 o'clock this morning, while lying at Trait's Shoals aground, and the Captain and officers were using every exertion to get her over the shoals, she bursted her boilers with an awful explosion. The greater part of her passengers (some 125 in number) were asleep at the time of the explosion, which was as terrific as a clap of thunder to a clear sky. All was soon confusion. The steam rushed up and completely enveloped the boat. With much difficulty, most of the passengers (in their night-clothes) escaped to a flat, laden with cotton, that the Douglass had in tow. It was soon discovered that the steamer was on fire, the wind blowing reached the cotton in her hold and on deck.

About this time the steamer Arkansas No. 5, Capt. J. A. Greer, came in sight. This young and energetic officer heard the explosion while lying about a mile above—raised steam and came to our relief. The cotton flat with a number of the passengers (some of them wounded) cut loose from the burning boat and drifted down. The Arkansas came alongside and rescued the remaining passengers; she remained by the wreck (at the imminent hazard of her own safety) until the hurricane roof was enveloped in flames.

The Wm. Bradstreet came along about this time and offered every assistance to the passengers, several of whom took passage in her up the river.

We feel we would not be discharging our duty, if we did not bear a willing and heartfelt testimony to the promptness, energy and efficiency of Captain Greer, of the Arkansas No. 5. For the relief he afforded us and our afflicted fellow passengers, he deserves, as he will doubtless receive, the patronage of the community so deeply interested in such acts of disinterested benevolence. It is proper to state that Capt. Greer left his two flats a short distance below the scene of the disaster, and hurried to Mobile with the passengers of the unfortunate Douglass.

N A McMillan, Wilcox co; W B Weaver, Mobile; R N Philson, Columbus, Miss; Rob't Leachman, Eacon; E W Howe, Texas; R M Shaw, N Y; G W Logan, Charleston; John Carter; James H Biggs, New Orleans; J Buckhead, Tennessee; Aaron Reedy, Wetumpka; W W D'vine, Marion, Miss; H W Cater, Montgomery; James R Battle, Pleasant Hill, Ala; J E Windham, Gainesville, Ala; Dr. Geo G Campbell, Mobile; C G Forbes, Mobile; J J G Pounder, Raleigh N C; John P Marsh, Wilcox, Ala; Mr. Foster Thomas; Geo E Stewart, Aberdeen, Miss; H Bower; M Weisel; N Ruey, Portland, Ala; C A Bell, Cahawba, Ala; Wm Pickensley; W H Winther; Duncan M Leay, Portland, Ala; Edward L Schoolcraft, Mobile; Albert E Perdue; H Jolly; A V Freeman, John W Rising, Fulsboro; Ala; R M Clarey; A S Tarig; R McCalleon; Edwin C Perdue, Albert E Perdue, Geen co, Ala; Mr S Boman; Mrs M Redy; Mrs C A Kyle; Mrs Mary Louviene; Mrs Mary D Philips; Mrs Julia Wren; Mrs E A Boggs; Mrs E A Degrys; Mrs Elizabeth Everett; Mrs S McMillan; Mrs Martha Harwood; Mrs Mary Webster; Mrs Eliza Jolly.

Public Sentiment in New Orleans.

"The immense assemblage of people in and about the St. Charles Theatre, last night, was a glorious consummation of our most sanguine hopes. Never, here or elsewhere, was there such a mass of human beings swayed by one common principle, and animated by one sympathetic impulse—*love of Union*—whose cry seemed more enthusiastic in the expression of their sentiments, and more resolved to sustain them. The city of New Orleans is for Union to a man. The manifestation made last night places her upon the apex of the Union pyramid, she merits the glorious appellation bestowed upon her by President Downes—that Union Metropolis, she will be distinguished by this well earned proud title; none more honored could be given her." [Bulletin.

"Never, since the memorable days of the Harrison campaign, when not common impulse appeared to animate the American people, have we seen such an assemblage of citizens. * * It was a glorious sight to witness the congregating of citizens of every degree and shade of political feeling, anxious to forget the lines that divide them in the ordinary contests of party, and uniting for the high and holy purpose of lending the cause of Union, regardless of the denunciations of the aspiring, the intriguing and the plotting, dared to stand by their country, when traitors conspired against its integrity and openly proclaimed their vile purpose to the world." [True Delta.

"The St. Charles proved, to we expected, altogether too small to contain the friends of the Union last night. The building was more numerously thronged than we could get only a very imperfect view of the stage and the arrangements. What we saw satisfied us that the meeting had been well got up; the arrangements were perfect, and proceeded late and tasteful. The crowd was very ardent, animated and enthusiastic. This speaks well for the patriotism and national feeling of our citizens, who were no doubt all animated by a warm love of their country and the Union. Though we may not approve the resolutions, we cordially synonthize with the spirit which appeared to move the assemblage." [Delta.

"All that we can say of the vast gathering at the St. Charles Theatre last night, is, that it was a type—a feeble and imperfect one at that—of the ardent, profound and inalterable devotion of the citizens of New Orleans to the American Union. That it was not more—that it did not number seven-eighths of our entire community, is only to be attributed to the fact, that the comparatively contracted space allotted to the meeting, could not accommodate more than a fraction of those who were anxious by a personal presence to evince their zeal and attachment. * * The gathering at the St. Charles, can, therefore, only be considered as a partial demonstration of popular feeling, and by no means adequate to the occasion. Last evening, that splendid Temple was thronged to its utmost capacity by the intelligence, the patriotism—the sterling sense of both political parties, who had democrats assembled to march the Union's banner, and to hold as sacred its cause against defiance; not to exalt over political triumphs and the party and ephemeral contests of parts—but to exclaim in greetings and welcome to pledge and to proclaim, in unbroken determination, to stand by the Union, to protect and defend it, from treacherous venture or open assault and to welcome all the friends of the Union, of all parties, as banded together in the holiest of causes, and animated by the noblest impulses that can evoke the sympathies of freemen." [Bee.

The foregoing extracts need no comment: they fully show the state of public sentiment here, and proudly demonstrate the right of New Orleans to be henceforth called THE UNION CITY. Disunion is dead here—*dead!* Its few friends will never have the hardihood to attempt its resurrection. It has fallen before the fiat of the people. The thousands on thousands of whigs and democrats, native and adopted citizens, who, moved by a common impulse, and fervid with enthusiasm, gathered together last evening, have declared to the country and to the world in tones of thunder, their implacable hostility to the insidious designs of factionists, and their unflattering devotion to the Union.

Arrival of the Alabama.

The steamship Alabama, Capt. Foster, arrived from Chagres, last evening, having left that port on the 20th.

The Alabama brings nothing later than our previous advices from California. She brings, however, 195 passengers, 160 of whom came from San Francisco, in the British ship Avon, from San Juan, who report that about 2500 passengers are now on their way from California to Realejo.

We learn by this arrival that there have been continued rains on the Isthmus of Panama. The weather, and the heavy seas in Chagres Bay, were such as almost entirely to interrupt any communication between the vessels and the shore.

A String of Items.

Fifteen thousand pianos were manufactured last year in New York city, alone.

Two shocks of an earthquake were recently felt at St. Martin.

The keels of half-a-dozen new vessels are to be laid this fall in Calais, Maine.

John Howard Payne is in Washington, expecting the Consulship at Tunis.

The excesses of youth are drafts upon old age, payable thirty years after date.

A mule down East is too proud to speak to any body, on the ground that his wife writes poetry.

John Bowles, charged with the murder of John Darden, at Marianna, Fla., has been tried and acquitted.

Mrs. Gen. Gaines, accompanied by her son and daughter, has arrived in Washington city, and taken apartments at Brown's Hotel.

The ancients were of opinion that Echo was a maiden who had pined away for love till nothing but her voice was left.

Gen. Scott has been sitting to Mr. Kellogg for a full length picture, to be placed in the gallery of portraits of distinguished Americans, in the City Hall, New York.

One Hall has gone to Constantinople, passing through Finland and Russia. He is thence going to visit the principal cities of Asia and Egypt.

Mr. Charles Mathews, the comedian, was recently severely injured by Mr. Young who in a fencing scene run his sword through Mr. Mathew's hand.

Samuel Craig, residing near Pittsburg, was kicked by a horse on last Wednesday evening, which unfortunately caused his death.

A fellow named John Fay was arrested in New York for beating his wife unmercifully, in a most brutal manner, also for pitching out her clothes.

President Fillmore has recently effected an insurance upon his life for $10,000 in the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Madame Anna Bishop and the famous Parodi are filling that portion of the cup of the musical world in New York left unfilled by Jenny Lind.

The prices of the tickets for Jenny Lind's concerts in Philadelphia, are fixed at four, five, six, and seven dollars.

Hon. James A. Bayard, it is said, will be elected by the Delaware Legislature to represent that State in the U. S. Senate, in place of Mr. Clayton.

Gen. Taylor's last will is said by the Washington correspondent of the New York Herald, to have been made before the battle of Monterey, in 1846.

The rumor that the bodies of Count d'Orsell, wife and child, have been found at Fire Island, is denied by authority.

On Sunday week the handsome dwelling house in Greensboro', Ala., erected by Dr. Gaston Drake, was totally destroyed by fire.

The Livery Stable of Lyman & Shomo, at Dubuque, Iowa, has been destroyed by fire. Nine horses perished in the flames.

Daniel F. Miller, recently elected member of Congress, from the First District in Iowa, is lying dangerously ill, and not expected to live.

A married lady found her two sons quarreling, and in hope of putting an end to their difficulty, addressed the following threat: "You young rascals, if you don't desist directly, I'll tell both of your fathers on you."

Mr. Niles, American Chargé to Turin, has been recalled. The Genoa correspondent of L'Echo d'Italia, speaking of his departure, says he made himself hated by the people there, and that his recall is regretted by all classes.

John Glencrow, confined in the city prison, New York, put an end to his existence by tying a handkerchief in a noose long enough to reach the door latch, and in falling low, he drew the knot tight enough to produce strangulation.

Thomas Ping, Postmaster, who was arrested a short time since, upon a charge of having robbed the mail, was, after an examination of the charge before Justice Myers, of Wapello county, Iowa, discharged.

The following announcement was posted in the White News Room in Boston: "We have only to say this morning, that we have met the enemy and they have yielded to us."

Miss Delia Bacon is giving morning lectures on history in Boston. They are said to be of great merit, and are commanded to public attention by some of the most influential citizens.

Rev. Thomas H. Stockton, formerly of Philadelphia, but at present at Cincinnati is about to take on his residence in Baltimore, having accepted a call from St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church in Liberty street.

A letter from Liverpool says that the fortnight ending November 1st, on less than 156,000 bales of American flour arrived at that port, principally from New York, and all valued at near a million of dollars.

The Clearfield (Md.) Sentinel states that every tavern-keeper in Cumberland, now or else, was fined for selling liquor on the Sabbath. That one would not have escaped only for a timely turn his liquor took.

It is estimated that there are now in the United States, 30,000 dancing masters, and 15,000 persons connected with the art. The amount of materials annually consumed in the operations is $100,000.

Bishop Morris, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has purchased a house in Mount Auburn, in Cincinnati, where he proposes to permanently locate his family. They have formerly resided in Philadelphia.

A negro named Woodliner, who has been convicted of a number of daring burglaries in the night time, in the vicinity of Bangor, Me., has been sentenced to the State prison for life.

The Norwegians, says the St. Croix Inquirer, have selected a fine tract of country, twenty miles from Willow River. When the mines all arrive, through the agency of Rev. L. A. Chamberlain, they will commence.

Benjamin R. Curtis, Esq., a leading member of the Boston Bar, has, at the request of the U. S. Marshal, delivered an able and elaborate opinion in favor of the constitutionality of the Fugitive Slave Bill.

The party who have been surveying the route from Oldtown to Bangor, over which the North American and European Railroad is to pass, have completed their job and have returned home. The route has been found quite practicable.

At Hoyle's print works, Manchester, England, among other curiosities to be seen in her, there is an inclined plane from the upper stories to the ground floor, down which the boys come rattling at dinner time, with the rapidity of lightning.

The saw-mill of Mr. Anderson, North St. Louis, was destroyed by fire on the night of the 25th inst. A collision between some of the fire companies occurred at the same time, and David Dubey was so badly hurt that his life is despaired of.

The Choctaw Intelligencer says that a battle recently took place between the Wichowas and Tonkeway Indians. The Tonkeways routed and cut one of their towns. They then set to work to build a town and took with food eyes upon those who are fat and sleek.

Pomarede's Panorama of the Mississippi River was consumed by fire at Newark, N. J., on the morning of the 26th inst., together with the building in which it was on exhibition. The value of the painting is estimated at $10,000, and it was insured for $6000.

The population of the City of New York, from actual and partial returns and estimates, according to the Tribune, will reach 592,700. Adding (took) ys, Williamsburg, etc.—as much more part of the City of New York as both sides of the Thames are of London—and it will exceed 1,200,000.

In reference to large newspapers a correspondent of the New Yorker, a penny sheet, says "they are often like bad eggs, the more you have of them the worse you are off." There is more profit in a sky-lark than in a vulture, and more money in a little bee than in forty big packages.

Two men at Alton, N. H., at a husking, undertook to amuse the company by seeing which could eat the most of a great variety of food, including dried apples. One of them, Charles French, who made the husking, died the next day; the other, Henry Miller, died the day after.

WILL OF JOHN MCDONOGH IN BALTIMORE.—The Mayor of Baltimore, in his recent message to the members of the Council, speaks thus of the magnificent bequest of Mr. McDonogh:

"Your attention is respectfully invited to the munificent bequest that has been left in the city of Baltimore, by the late John McDonough, of New Orleans. An authenticated copy of his will, with a communication from his executors on the part of the city of New Orleans, is herewith submitted. It is apparent in all that the city of Baltimore, in connection with the city of New Orleans, will be expected to defend it from any attempt that may or can be made to divert from the intended course this philanthropic and noble bequest—a monument of generous liberality and affection to his native city. It affords me pleasure to say that the executors appointed by the testator upon the part of this city, have felt it their duty to promptly assume the trust that has been delegated to them, and design at once to repair to the city of New Orleans, to participate in the administration of the will, and to represent, by their presence, the deep interest the city of Baltimore has in the full and complete accomplishment of the beneficent intentions of the testator.

It is said that the Telegraph Monopoly in England has purchased the patent of an improved method of telegraphing, by which all communications are rendered wholly private between the parties interested in and making them. Each correspondent writes his own message, the apparatus being so simplified that any one can operate upon it.

LOCAL NEWS.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—Mrs. Farren takes a farewell benefit at the St. Charles tonight, and we need not appeal to the gallantry of our play-going friends to crowd the house on the occasion. Mrs. F. was with us years ago, and was then a great favorite of the New Orleans public, and she has improved much since she left us. During her present engagement she has gone through a round of difficult characters, and in all she has given entire satisfaction. She now appeals to her friends, and we feel assured that her appeal will not be in vain. The bill of performances, apart from the occasion, should draw a full house, and we are certain that no disappointment will be experienced. The entertainments consist of the much admired play of "Love, or the Countess and the Serf;" the new drama of the "Venetian, or the Bravo's Oath;" Mrs. Farren sustains the principal character in both pieces, and she will be ably sustained by Mr. Webster. Mr. W. played *Bruno*, in "The Serf," with Miss Ellen Tree, when she first appeared in the character of the Countess, in this country, and he has gain d considerable reputation in the part. We know he will do it well.

AMERICAN THEATRE.—Mr. McKean Buchanan commences an engagement at this house tonight in the character of *Hamlet*, and we doubt not that our citizens will welcome him back to New Orleans. Mr. B. commenced his theatrical career in New Orleans, and since that time he has achieved a brilliant reputation at the North. As a native of our city, we should feel proud of his thematic talent, and support him when he appears among us. Miss St. Clair, Miss Laulbam, and Mons. Zavrewski appear in a variety of dances; the whole to conclude with "Faint Heart Never Won Fair Lady."

THE CAMPBELLS.—We would recommend to all our citizens a visit to the Concerts of the Campbells, at the Commercial Exchange. They are superior to any similar band of minstrels which have ever appeared in city. We have only to say go and see them.

PLACIDE'S VARIETIES.—"Tom Noddy's Secret," the name of one of the most amusing pieces which has ever been presented to the public, is to be given at Placide's this evening. Mrs. Howard will sustain the character of *Gabrielle*, and Messrs. Ballard, Rae, Dawson, and Mrs. Conover will appear in of "Shocking Events," and "Lola Montez." Gems from the opera by Mrs. Loaiz and Messrs. Leaf and Reeves, and a variety of dancing by M'lles Baron and Hilariot, comprise the rest of the entertainments.

OLYMPIC CIRCUS.—The admirable performances of the Nibla Acrobat Family, are the wonder and delight of all who witness them. They appear again tonight. Go early, if you would see them, as well as the elegant equestrian performances.

RACES.—There will be an interesting race on the Metairie Course to-day, at 3 o'clock. Purse, $250—mile heats—with the following entries: *Messrs. Fred. Kaye, Jouvarts* and *Bob Hart.*

FIRST MUNICIPALITY COUNCIL.—This body met last evening, Recorder Genois in the Chair—twelve members present.

A message from the Mayor was read, informing the Council of various adjudications for paving, etc., which we have before published.

On motion to refer the adjudications to the Finance Committee, Mr. McLaughlin, chairman of that committee, arose and stated that securities for the contract taken by John Cranna had been accepted. Thereupon a somewhat hasty discussion came between Messrs. McLaughlin and Falon, relative to the formality necessary in accepting contracts. Mr. McLaughlin contended that the Finance Committee had a right to examine and accept securities as soon as the adjudication was made; and Mr. Falon contended that the Finance Committee that neither it nor the Council were supposed to know any thing about the adjudications till after they were officially communicated by the Mayor, and that prior to that time, no committee had any right to act on them in any way or manner.

The adjudications were eventually approved and referred to the Finance Committee, after it was made apparent that the contractor was no longer living. The discussion on the subject of the securities was therefore entirely null and informal.

Several petitions for the manumission of slaves were referred to the Judiciary Committee. The Judiciary Committee reported in favor of giving liberty to sundry other slaves, but, on motion to adopt the report, a rambling discussion arose, relative to emancipating slaves and giving them permission to remain in the State. Several of the members stated that they would never vote for any such manumission again, unless the negroes were to be removed to the North, or some other portion of Uncle Sam's dominions. The report was at length rejected, it being required that three-fourths of the Council should vote for it, while the vote stood 3 pros, 4 cons.

A communication from the Surveyor, relative to complaints concerning the emptying of nuisance carts, and recommending that proper restrictions be enacted to be promptly provided, was referred to the Lamp Contract Committee.

A letter from J. C. Calhoun, informing the Council of the death of his son, A. Boyden, Esq., late a member of the Board of Liquidators, and asking for the election of some gentleman to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Boden's decease.

Mr. Felix Grisot was nominated for the vacant seat in the Board, to which seat he was unanimously elected.

Various unimportant letters and petitions were read and referred to appropriate committees.

A lengthy and rambling discussion arose relative to the comparative merits of Tennessee and English iron. The question arose on the reading of a letter from the Surveyor, complaining of the quality of iron furnished for sinkers now in the progress of erection.

The Finance Committee, through its Chairman, presented the budget, and on motion of Judge Durkee, it and the resolutions appertaining thereto appointed, were ordered to be published, so that the members might have an opportunity of examining it fully before being called on to vote in relation thereto. The budget was, therefore, not read, and its contents are merely matters of conjecture.

The Council soon after adjourned.

FIRST DISTRICT COURT.—Catherine McDonald, Mrs. Heidt, and Mrs. Lonis, were peremptorily tried and found guilty of larceny.

Henry Robinson was peremptorily tried and found guilty of entering a house in the night time with intent to steal.

RECORDER CALDWELL'S COURT.—These were but very few cases before this court yesterday, and they were generally of no importance. A man and his wife, with an infant, and a young woman, were brought up on a charge of disturbing the peace by quarreling in presence of a crowd, in the late hour on Wednesday night they were arrested by a watchman, at the lady's request—that the husband was taken out of his bed, and set almost time to dress, the young woman without her shoes, and the infant nearly naked. In this condition they were taken to the Watch-house, thought a chilling shower of rain, and confined during the night. When they were brought up yesterday morning, there was no prosecutor, and nothing appeared against them. They were, therefore, discharged—if these circumstances are correct, the watchman who made the arrest should be at once turned out, and the individual at whose request he acted, cited for damages.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—A Mr. Riley saw a drunken drayman of his acquaintance driving up Magazine street on Wednesday evening, and fearing that the drayman was too much intoxicated to guide his team aright, he, in a spirit of kindness, jumped on the dray to render what assistance might be needed. When the dray arrived at the corner of Magazine street and Felicity Road, the drunken man fell off, and pulled Riley off with him. The result was, as is usually the case, that the drunkard escaped unhurt, while the wheel of the dray ran over the neck of Riley, injuring him very seriously, if not fatally.

RIOT AND OUTRAGE.—William G. Middleton, mate of the steamboat Gipsy, which arrived here on Monday afternoon, made an affidavit before Recorder Genois, stating that he employed a number of men to unload the boat, and that while he was engaged in paying them off, about 11 o'clock at night, a gang of men came up, and some of them demanded money under pretense that they had been at work. He refused to pay them, when one of them struck him with a cotton hook. He was afterwards attacked by another, who he drew a knife and wounded it, but it seemed first, when the whole gang rushed upon him, and beat him almost to death. One of the parties has been arrested.

A BOLD THIEF.—An individual calling himself John Edwards, was caught between 11 and 12 o'clock yesterday, in the clerk's office, on board the steamboat Fashion, lying in the First Municipality. The second clerk, whose office is divided from that of the first clerk only by a double desk, went into his own office and accidentally saw a man stooping down behind the desk, and thinking it was the first clerk, he spoke to him. Receiving no answer, he looked over the desk, when Edwards rushed out. He was pursued as far as Toulouse street, when he was captured and taken to the Grand House. He broke open the door to get into the office, and had already found upon a drawer, when he was caught, but he did not succeed in finding any money. His intention was, however, considered perfectly good, and he was committed for trial before the First District Court.

RECORDER GENOIS' COURT.—Mr. E. Robinson wished to secure his warehouse, and as he was credited along yesterday morning he helped himself to a pair of pants, which, among other articles, were hanging at the door of Charles Dalbonin's store. The last named individual witnessed the proceeding, and the result was, that in two hours Mr. Robinson was locked up to await a trial before the First District Court.

MARY ANN WILKINSON, f. w. c., expressed the same desire to repair to warehouse, as that which actuated Mr. Robinson, and the sale a dress worth $40, belonging to Mrs. Mary Field. She was also sent before the First District Court.

John Thompson was caught in the act of going off with the key of the Navigation Company's office, which had been concealed in a store near by. It is supposed that John wanted to inspect the internal arrangements of the office afterwards. He was sent down for trial.

Julius Venice was arrested by watchman Nolan, about four o'clock yesterday morning, in Toulouse street, for breaking in the door of a house, and entering the door of Mr. Layton. Mr. L. did not answer to prosecute, and Julius was required to give bail in the sum of $500, to keep the peace. He was not able to come up in the scratch, and was committed for a month.

THIRD MUNICIPALITY.—John Hill yesterday made an affidavit before Recorder Scarsdale, charging several persons with setting him in a coffee-house, some evenings since, and robbing him of $45.

Thomas McMillen was sent before the First District Court on a charge of assault and battery.

PITTSBURG, November 15.

RIOT AND LOSS OF LIFE.—A friend who arrived yesterday morning from Blairsville, gave us a few particulars of a dreadful riot, which occurred near that place on Friday last, between two bodies of the laborers on the Pennsylvania railroad. It seems that these persons, known as the Lockport men, (from the little town of that name,) and the Packsaddle boys, (the latter, we believe, deriving their names from one of the contractors,) resolved to decide their differences by a regular pitched battle. They advanced towards each other, armed with guns, pistols, clubs, and other weapons. At the first fire four fell dead and numbers were wounded—some of them mortally. The Lockporters then made a charge upon their opponents, and succeeded in completely routing them. We learn from other sources that the militia have been ordered out, but that none of the rioters had been arrested. [Gazette.

FIRES IN RAPIDES.—We learn from the Alexandria Democrat that the sugar mill belonging to Austin W. Burgess, on Bayou Robert, together with about seventy hogsheads of sugar, was on the 14th instant, totally destroyed by fire. Mr. Burgess had requested his merchants to get on insurance, but does not know whether they complied or not. If they did not his loss will be considerable.

We learn from the same paper that the beautiful residence of Mrs. H. Overton, situated on Bayou Robert, was entirely destroyed by fire on Saturday night, the 16th instant.

A petition has been started at Richmond, to be circulated through Virginia, asking the Legislature of that State for an appropriation of $10,000 to pay for a statue of Jefferson, to be placed in the University of Virginia, a marble statue of Mr. Jefferson, of full size. It is as the founder of the University that the petitioners desire particularly