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INFORMATION WANTED.—Of JAMES L. D. McCARTY, formerly of Indiana, who married Margaret Smith, of Cleveland, Ohio. The last heard of said McCarty, by his parents, he was running a stage or omnibus, called the "Rough and Ready," from New Orleans to Lafayette. This was in August, 1849. Any information of said person will be gladly received by his father, J. C. McCARTY, at Sugar Grove Post-office, Indiana. mh18

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—A good Barge or KEEL BOAT, suitable for towing. For further information, apply to the subscribers. STONE & WAINWRIGHT, ap15 1tdly 94 Tchoupitoulas street.

REMOVALS.

REMOVAL.—Barelli & Co. have temporarily removed their office from 61 Common street to No. 94 Common street.

REMOVAL.—R. H. Mark, Attorney at Law, has removed from No. 11 St. Charles street to No. 91 Camp st., up stairs. my20 1y

DRUG STORE REMOVAL.—The subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has just removed his DRUG STORE to the South-west corner of Chartres and Customhouse streets, where he will be happy to see his old customers and those who may favor him with their patronage.

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LOST.—On Wednesday evening, while returning from Farrell's Circus, a pair of SPRING EYE GLASS IN A SHELL CASE. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at the Crescent Office. my20 1t

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MILLINERY AND FANCY.

ANOTHER ARRIVAL.—MRS. CLARKE, Importer of Foreign and Domestic Goods, has just received another invoice of NEW STRAW BONNETS, (black and Colored do.; LACE, etc., which will be offered at twenty per cent. less than heretofore, being desirous of reducing her Summer Stock. Also, a large lot of EMBROIDERIES, PERFUMERIES, COMBS, etc., well worthy attention. myl 1f

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☞ NEW FRENCH MILLINERY—NEW GOODS VERY CHEAP.—Mrs. W. ROPER, No. 145 Poydras street, most respectfully informs the Ladies that she has, and will constantly keep on hand, a beautiful assortment of SILK BONNETS, STRAW BONNETS, RIBBONS, FLOWERS, PARASOLS, EMBROIDERIES, LADIES' MISSES' TRIMMINGS, NOVELTY ARTICLES. LADIES' MISSES' VESTS, and a variety of FANCY GOODS, which will be sold very cheap for cash.

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TO RENT.

TO RENT.—An elegantly furnished Office, suitable for a Commission Merchant. Apply to SAMUEL WOLFF, 98 Camp street. mh18 tf

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NEWARK, N.J., SADDLERY Warehouse.—ANDREW G. BULL & CO., No. 18 Canal street, New Orleans, between Camp and Magazine streets, Manufacturers and Importers of SADDLERY and SADDLEWARE, have constantly on hand a large and complete assortment of Saddles, Bridles, Saddle-trees, Whips, Riding Whips, Harness, Horse Furnishing Leather, Hogskins, SADDLERS' TOOLS and Trimming of every description. apl6 1y CANAL STREET.

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PASTURAGE.—The subscriber having leased the METAIRIE RACE COURSE, is ready to contract for the PASTURAGE OF HORSES during the present season. Apply on the premises, or to F. W. COKELEY, Orleans House, Corner of St. Charles and Common streets. fe26 3m

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JOHN B. BURGEN has removed his FURNITURE STORE from No. 141 to No. 53 MAGAZINE STREET, immediately opposite the Arcade, where he has on hand a large assortment of Furniture of his own manufacture, which he will sell low for cash. He solicits a share of the patronage of his friends and the public. dec 19

CHEAP FURNITURE STORE, No. 80 Clouet street, corner of Pauldino.—JOSEPH E. HUBBARD, wholesale and retail dealer and manufacturer of CABINET FURNITURE, such as Sofas, Bedsteads, Bureaus, Secretaries, Book Cases, Marble Top Sideboards; Centre, Card and Work Tables; Marble Top Bureaus and Wash Stands; Looking Glasses, Mahogany, Wal. Cane and Wood Seat Chairs; Mats and Hair Mattresses; Mosquito Bars; Feather Pillows, and Bedding of all kinds. This stock is manufactured of the BEST MATERIAL, and the public are solicited to call and examine for themselves before purchasing elsewhere.

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STILL THEY COME!—A new arrival of Reese's Patent Portable SPRING MATTRESSES, which are daily being introduced into use by all who study comfort and economy. The Mattress makes the bed complete—that is economy! They can be rolled up into a very small compass, and made convenient to handle; and they given general satisfaction to all who use them, which is a proof that they are the most comfortable Mattress now in use.

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☞ Purchasers Sole Room, 101 St. Charles street, one door from Poydras.
☞ The public are respectfully requested to call and examine this stock. ap15 1f

BROUGHT to the Police Prison, 1st District, CHARLES, a griff, about thirty-one years old, five feet seven and three-quarter inches high, has a large scar on left cheek, and tell on which at least from a wench. Says he belongs to Mr. Draper, near Columbus, Arkansas.

ELIZABETH, a mulattress, about twenty-three years old, five feet one inch high, has scars on both arms. Says she belongs to Mr. Delaney.

HENRY, a mulatto, about twenty-five years old, five feet three and a half inches high, has a small scar on forehead and an old cheek. Says he belongs to Mr. Pritchard.

MARIA, a griff, about thirty-seven years old, five feet two inches high, and an eight year old daughter of light shade, and small finger off her left hand. Says she belongs to Mr. Clapp.

PERRY or REDROCK, a black, about twenty-four years old, five feet high, has scar on forehead and one for white. Says he belongs to Scott.

THOMAS, a black, about forty-six years old, five feet five inches high. Says he belongs to Mrs. Robertson.

The owners will please comply with the law respecting same.
New Orleans, May 4, 1851—my5 lawtsr A. WORKMAN, Warden.

BROUGHT to the Police Prison, First District.

HANNAH, a black, about forty-four years old, five feet four and a half inches high; says he belongs to Mr. Slee.

ELIZA, a black, about six years old, five feet eleven and a half inches high; says she belongs to Mr. Ladiman.

The owners will please comply with the law respecting same.
New Orleans, May 21, 1851. A. WORKMAN, Warden.

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THE BIRDS OF SPRING.

Sing on by fane and forest old,
By tombs and cottage eaves,
And tell the waste of coming flowers,
The wood of coming leaves;
The same sweet song that o'er the birth
Of earliest blossoms rang,
And caught its music from the hymn
The stars of morning sang!

Ye hailed the radiant path of Spring
By streams and valleys fair,
And o'er the earth's green hill-tops, when
No step but her's was there;
And like the laurels gift of green,
The violet's depth of hue,
Ye has survived a thousand thrones,
And yet the song is new—

New as we heard it in the years
Whose memories still are young,
When life's first rainbow o'er our path
Its arch of glory flung!
That vistaed light has melted long
From hearts whose hopes have met
The shower and shadow: but your strains
Are loved and trusted yet.

They come when sunset's dying lines,
Or morning's waking smiles,
Light up the mountain's rocky shrines,
The lonely forest aisles.
Our souls, from all their early store,
Have kept one answering tone
Of joy, to greet each gushing song
With gladness like its own.

There have been harps among us strung—
Ye mocked bards of "the tree
Of life," where all the flowers we sought,
Or dreamt of, yet might be;
But early fell the hush of death
On each unwearied string,
That caught, though from afar, the dew
Of everlasting spring.

O blest is true and fearless love!
O tree of earth and air!
For whom the past has no regret,
The all to come no care!
Still, from its summers far away,
To the worn heart ye bring
Its early store of love and hope—
Sweet prospect birds of Spring!

THE DREAM-WARNING.

A remarkable circumstance is related by Mrs. Catherine Crowe, in "The Night Side of Nature," as having occurred at Odessa, in the year 1842. An old fisherman named Michel, had for many years been accustomed to get his living by seating himself every morning on a beam in one of the timber yards, with a wooden bowl at his feet, into which the passengers cast their alms. This long continued practice had made him well known to the inhabitants, and as he was believed to have been formerly a soldier, his blindness was attributed to the numerous wounds he had received in battle. For his own part he spoke little, and never contradicted this opinion. One night Michel, by some accident, fell in with a little girl of ten years old, named Pawlesks, who was friendless, and on the verge of perishing with cold and hunger. The old man took her home and adopted her; and from that time, instead of sitting in the timber yard, he went about the streets in her company, asking alms at the doors of the houses. The child called him father, and they were extremely happy together.

But when they had pursued this mode of life for about five years a misfortune befel them. A theft having been committed in a house which they had visited in the morning, Pawlesks was suspected and arrested, and the blind man was left once more alone. But, instead of resuming his former habits, he now disappeared altogether; and the circumstance causing the suspicion to extend to him, the girl was brought before the magistrate to be interrogated with regard to his probable place of concealment.

"Do you know where Michel is?" inquired the magistrate.

"He is dead!" replied she, shedding a torrent of tears.

"As the girl had been shut up for three days without any means of obtaining information from without this answer, together with her undisguised distress, naturally excited considerable surprise.

"Who told you he was dead?" they inquired.

"Nobody."

"Then how can you know it?"

"I saw him killed!"

"But you have never been out of the prison?"

"But I saw it, nevertheless!"

"But how was that possible? Explain what you mean."

"I cannot. All I can say is, that I saw him killed."

"When was he killed, and how?"

"It was the night I was arrested."

"That cannot be; he was alive when you were seized."

"Yes, he was; he was killed one hour after that; they stabbed him with a knife!"

"Where were you then?"

"I can't tell, but I saw it."

The confidence with which the girl asserted what seemed to be her memory impossible said, shocked the court, and imagine that she was really either insane, or pretending to be so; so, leaving Michel aside, they proceeded to interrogate her about the robbery, asking her if she was guilty!

"Oh no!" she answered.

"Then how came the property to be found about you?"

"I don't know; I saw nothing but the murder."

"But there are no grounds for supposing Michel is dead; his body has not been found."

"It is in the aqueduct."

"And do you know who slew him?"

"Yes; it is a woman. Michel was walking very slowly, after I was taken from him. A woman came behind him with a large kitchen knife; but he heard her, and turned round; and then the woman flung it from her, struck over his head, and struck him repeatedly with the knife. The gray stuff was much stained with the blood. Michel fell at the eighth blow, and the woman dragged the body to the aqueduct, and let it fall in without ever lifting the stuff which stunk to his face."

As it was easy to verify these latter assertions, they dispatched people to the spot; and there the body was found, with the piece of stuff over his head, exactly as she had described. But when they asked her how she knew all this, she could only answer, "I don't know."

"But you know who killed him?"

"Not exactly; it is the same woman that put out his eyes; but perhaps he will tell me her name to-night; and if he does I will tell it to you."

"Who do you mean by he?"

"Why, Michel, to be sure!"

During the whole of the following night, without allowing her to suspect their intention, they watched her; and it was observed that she never lay down, but sat upon her bed in a sort of lethargic slumber. Her body was quite motionless, except at intervals, when this repose was interrupted by violent nervous shocks, which pervaded her whole frame.

On the ensuing day, the moment she was brought before the judge, she declared that she was now able to tell them the name of the assassin.

"But stay!" said the magistrate, "did Michel never tell you, while he was alive, how he lost his sight?"

"No; but the morning before I was arrested he promised me to do so: and that was the cause of the death."

"How could that be?"

"Last night Michel came to me, and he pointed to the man hidden behind the scaffolding on which he and I had been sitting. He showed me the man listening to me, when he said, 'I'll tell you all about that to-night;' and then the man ran away."

"Do you know the name of this man?"

"It is *Luck*; he went afterwards to a broad street that leads down to the harbor, and he entered the third house on the right."

"What is the name of the street?"

"I don't know, but the house is one story lower than the adjoining ones. Luck told Catherine what he had heard, and she proposed to him to assassinate Michel; but he refused, saying, 'It was bad enough to have burnt out his eyes fifteen years before, whilst he was asleep at your door, and to have kidnapped him into the country.' Then I went in to ask charity, and Catherine put a piece of plate into my pocket that I might be arrested; then she hid herself behind the aqueduct to wait for Michel, and slew him."

"But, since you say all this, why did you keep the plate? Why didn't you give information?"

"But I didn't see it then. Michel showed it me last night."

"But what should induce Catherine to do this?"

"Michel was her husband, and she had forsaken him to come to Odessa and marry again. One night, fifteen years ago, she saw Michel, who had come to see her. She slipped hastily into her house, and Michel, who thought she had just come in, lay down at her door to watch; but he fell asleep, and then Luck burnt out his eyes, and carried him to a distance."

"And is it Michel who has told you this?"

"Yes; he came very pale and covered with blood, and he showed me by the hand and showed me all this with his fingers."

Upon this, Luck and Catherine were arrested, and it was ascertained that she had actually been married to Michel in the year 1819, at Kherson. They at first denied the accusation, but Pawlesks insisted, and they subsequently confessed the crime. When they communicated the circumstances of the confession to Pawlesks, she said, "I was told it last night." This affair naturally excited great interest, and people all round the neighborhood hastened into the city to learn the sentence.

ANECDOTE OF THE PARIS POLICE.

Previous to the year 1789, but at what precise date I cannot say, the city of Paris possessed as guardian of its safety, and chief minister of police, a man of rare talent and integrity. At the same period, the Parish of St. Germain, in the quarter of the Rue St. Antonin, had for its curate a kind, venerable old man, whose whole life was spent in doing good to both the souls and bodies of his fellow creatures, and whose holy consistency and dignified courage caused him to be loved by the good, and respected by even the most abandoned characters. One cold, dark winter's night, the bell at the old Curé's door was rung loudly, and he, although in bed, immediately arose and opened the door, anticipating a summons to some sick or dying bed.

A personage, richly dressed, with his features partly concealed by a large, false beard, stood outside. Addressing the Curé in a courteous and graceful manner, he apologized for his unseasonable visit, which, he said, the high reputation of Monsieur had induced him to make.

"A great and terrible, but necessary and inevitable, deed," he continued, "is to be done. Time presses; a soul about to pass into eternity implores your ministry. If you come, you must allow your eyes to be bandaged, ask no questions, and consent to act simply as spiritual counselor of a dying woman. If you refuse to accompany me, no other priest can be admitted, and her spirit must pass alone."

After a moment of secret prayer, the Curé answered, "I will go with you. Without asking any further explanation, he allowed his eyes to be bandaged, and seated on the arm of his suspicious visitor. They both got into a coach, whose windows were immediately covered by wooden shutters, and then they drove off rapidly. They formed to go a long way, and made many doublings and turnings, for the coach drove under a wide archway and stopped.

During this time, not a single word had been exchanged between the travelers, and one by one got out, the stranger assisting himself from the bandage over his companion's eyes had not been displaced, and then taking the old man respectfully by the hand, he assisted him to alight, and to furnish him with a handkerchief to tie on the latter

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