Crescent City, that on Monday, the 19th inst., five men left Crescent City in a whale boat for Rogue river. They got about fifteen miles past the river, when, in turning back, the boat capsized, and E. Johnson, Peter McCarthy and Captain Walker, were drowned.

A correspondent writes:

I have just learned that one of the most atrocious murders ever known, was committed last night on the Merced river, about 12 miles below this place. A Mr. Prior was most brutally murdered by a band of five Mexicans, and his house was robbed of $800. His wife was tied and gagged, and had to witness the death of her husband. No clue as yet to the murderers. A number of men are in pursuit.

FROM OREGON.

We have Oregon papers to the 24th September. The bark Onle from Baltimore had been lost at the Columbia bar the 16th September, together with the entire cargo. The passengers and crew, thirty in number, were saved, but were in a destitute condition.

The Oregonian says: From Daniel Stewart, an old Oregonian, who came across the Plains, with cattle this season, we learn that much stock has died. Out of his drove of 200 he saved 150 head.

The health of the immigration was good, and he thinks there will be but little suffering among them, as compared with last year. He thinks the number for Oregon are not much less than 8000 persons.

THE DAILY CRESCENT.

WHIG TICKET.

FOR CONGRESS.

SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT,
THEODORE G. HUNT, of Orleans.

THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT,
PRESTON POND, Jr., of East Feliciana.

FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.
JOHN BLAIR SMITH, of Natchitoches.

FOR STATE AUDITOR,
JOHN E. KING, of St. Landry.

FOR STATE TREASURER,
JOHN N. HAWTHORN, of Orleans.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION,
A. H. LAMON, of West Baton Rouge.

STATE LEGISLATURE—PARISH OF ORLEANS.

FOR SENATORS.
M. C. EDWARDS. JULES LAVERGNE.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES,
FIRST REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
H. M. SUMMERS, | W. S. CAMPBELL.
SECOND REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
JAMES DRUMMOND, | ROBERT M. KEARNEY,
A. L. L. SAUNDERS.
THIRD REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
H. J. RANNEY, | J. H. WINGFIELD,
GERARD STITH, | M. A. FOUTE,
C. R. WHEAT, | DR. SAMUEL HARBY.
FOURTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
F. A. LUMSDEN, | C. M. EMERSON.
OCTAVE LE BLANC.
FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
ALPHONSE DAVID, | F. BUISSON.
J. B. DIONIS,
SIXTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
LOUIS BURGY, | NUMA DUPOUR.
SEVENTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
EUGENE STAES, | OSCAR DONNET.
EIGHTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
JAMES BROOKS, | P. L. MAILLOU.
NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
JOHN LAIDLAW.
TENTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.
S. W. THOMPSON, | RUFUS WAPLES.

FOR SHERIFF.
JAMES P. FERRET.

FOR CORONER.
JOHN YOUENES.

CLERKS OF COURTS.
FIRST DISTRICT COURT.....ALFRED ROUSSEAU.
SECOND DISTRICT COURT.....THOMAS C. POOLE.
THIRD DISTRICT COURT.....CHARLES A. LABUZAN.
FOURTH DISTRICT COURT.....JAMES A. HOPKINS.
FIFTH DISTRICT COURT.....SAMUEL G. RISK.

ASSESSORS.
FOR THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.
JOHN WOLFE. | C. R. FAGOT.
J. U. CHEVALIER. | ISAAC N. PHILLIPS.

JUSTICES OF PEACE.
FIRST JUSTICE.....L. C. GAIENNIE.
SECOND JUSTICE.....C. V. JONTE.
THIRD JUSTICE.....WILLIAM H. HAGAN.
FOURTH JUSTICE.....E. A. MICHEL.
FIFTH JUSTICE.....F. C. LAVILLE.
SIXTH JUSTICE.....J. G. HARRIS.
SEVENTH JUSTICE.....C. L. MARSHALL.

COLLECTORS OF STATE TAXES.
FOR THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.
FIRST DISTRICT.....THOMAS ASKEW.
SECOND DISTRICT.....LAFAYETTE GUYOL.
THIRD DISTRICT.....T. A. BOULET.
FOURTH DISTRICT.....SAMUEL GALPIN.

CONSTABLES.
FIRST JUSTICE'S COURT.....J. J. HOPPE.
SECOND JUSTICE'S COURT.....WILLIAM C. QUIRK.
THIRD JUSTICE'S COURT.....JULES DELARUE.
FOURTH JUSTICE'S COURT.....JOHN McLELLAND.
FIFTH JUSTICE'S COURT.....MIGUEL HERNANDEZ, jr
SIXTH JUSTICE'S COURT.....H. SCHELLANG.
SEVENTH JUSTICE'S COURT.....JAMES HAMILTON.

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SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 29, 1853.

See First and Fourth pages.

We are under obligations to Mr. Lyon of the Falcon for his kind courtesies.

CORRECTION.—In our article of yesterday, enumerating the members of the Board of Assistant Aldermen who were present on Thursday night for the purpose of investigating Mr. Pandely's right to sit in that body, we omitted to mention the name of Mr. Hy. Guyol among the number. Mr. Guyol has been one of the most active in insisting on an inquiry into this matter.

THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT AND THE CONTEMPT CASE.—In our remarks in yesterday's paper on the decision of Judge Lea, of the Second District Court, in the case of the Assistant Aldermen imprisoned by the Fourth District Court for contempt of its authority, and discharged by Judge Lea on a writ of *habeas corpus*, we were led into an error as to the purport of the decision of the Court.

Judge Lea decided, in effect, that the Fourth District Court having no jurisdiction over the subject-matter before it, no contempt could be committed by disobedience to its mandate, and hence, that the judgment on the contempt was not rendered by a Court of competent jurisdiction. This gives a new complexion to the matter. The decision of the Court will shortly be given to the public.

MR. SOULE AND THE CLERGY.—*Suffering for Conscience Sake.*—A letter signed "Marci," appeared in the Bee a few days ago, in relation to Mr. Peter Soulé, our Minister to Spain, in which it is said this distinguished personage was compelled to leave France on account of the decisions of the tribunal of *Police Correctionnelle*, condemning him to three years' imprisonment for a libel against the clergy.

Now, as we Americans do not like to be humbugged, and as there is no proof that the distinguished gentleman was sentenced, we would like to have an authenticated copy of the sentence, and hereby offer a column of the Crescent to publish it in when it comes.

Mr. Soulé was educated for the clergy, and is now clothed with clerical privileges, although he is not yet invested with priestly duties and privileges. Possessing, as Mr. Soule did, the sacerdotal character, it is not at all likely that he ever published a libel against the clergy. We call for the proofs!

THE COURIER ON COL. MARKS!

THE COLONEL'S "COURAGE BEFORE THE ENEMY."

Our doughty neighbor of the Courier, in his edition of yesterday, has an article resonant of war and carnage, in which Col. Sam. F. Marks is made to figure conspicuously. The Courier says of Col. Marks that he has been a soldier, "and in a brief but arduous campaign in Mexico was distinguished for his firmness under privation, his courage before the enemy, and, in camp, for his humanity and kindness to the sick and wounded!"

The inference that Col. Marks figured in any of the battles of "our armies" in Mexico is doubtless new to our readers, and will afford matter of astonishment to the Colonel himself, when he finds that he has been so summarily converted into a hero by the Romancer of the Courier. A man never knows what his merits are until some obliging biographer has paraded them before the world; and this we opine is the case with Col. Marks. How the redoubtable Colonel will chuckle in his sleeve when he learns that the *feuilletonist* of the Courier has lauded him so highly for his "courage before the enemy," when the only bravery displayed by him was in breasting *chevaux-de-frise* of brushwood—when the only enemy encountered was in the armies of annoying insects, and the only wounds endured were from the bites of swarming vermin, wherein the poorest soldier endured more privations and displayed greater fortitude! Verily, will not the Colonel be amazed?

We happen to know something of Col. Marks's "courage before the enemy" in Mexico—of the dangers he encountered

"In the imminent deadly breach,"

and of his

"Hair breadth 'scapes by flood and field."

We will rehearse some of them for the special edification of our readers, and for the enlightenment of the Romancer of the Courier, as well as for the purpose of soothing the feelings of Col. Marks, whose modesty might otherwise be shocked by the unqualified praise bestowed on him by the aforesaid Romancer. We have also another object in blurting out the naked truth, and that is, that we may smooth the path of the Colonel in his electioneering *tour*, by showing that he is not the bloody champion which he is represented to be, but one of the "mildest mannered" of men! The Colonel will be obliged to us, we are sure; for our disclosures will serve to mollify the apprehensions of his backwoods constituents, who might be otherwise disposed to "cut and run" when he shall have shown his face among them. The women and children, too, on the borders will have an easier time of it when the Colonel visits them in their log cabbins. He will be enabled, in his quiet way, to kiss the babies, to pat the urchins on the back, and to flatter the mammas for having "the finest children in the world;" and all this without "giving them fits," as he might have done, had we suffered the Courier's article to go forth uncontradicted. The description referred to smells too much of gunpowder, in view of the real facts. With our neighbor's permission, we will be the Colonel's biographer in that interesting passage of his military life connected with the war with Mexico. We speak advisedly on this subject, inasmuch as we have the testimony of an eye witness who was in the regiment with Col. Marks, and who participated in all the exploits performed by that redoubtable *corps*.

Samuel F. Marks was Colonel of the Third Regiment of Louisiana Volunteers in the campaign on the Rio Grande, and arrived at the seat of war a little too late to participate in the first battles, and for the glories of the succeeding ones he came away too soon!

The Courier speaks of the courage of Colonel Marks "before the enemy!" whereas, all the courage displayed by him was in the enemy's *rear*, they having *removed* from the theatre of conflict before the Colonel's arrival.

We can testify to the military exploits of the Colonel, a few of which we will instance:

It will be recollected that there is a town on the Rio Grande, a few miles from the river's mouth, known as Burita; a position strongly fortified by nature, and calculated to hold out against great odds. This fortification lay on the line of march from Brazos St. Jago, and Col. Marks was obliged to pass it to form a junction with Gen. Taylor, opposite Matamoros It was impossible to go around Burita, and the only alternative was to take it. Col. Marks had no doubt of being able to effect this, as he had under him 800 or 1000 men, and was assisted by the First Regiment of Louisiana troops, numbering about as many more. The entire force amounted to between 1600 and 2000 men.

Although this force was undisciplined, it was not wanting in courage, and Col. Marks had no doubt that in a conflict their exploits would cover him with immortal honor. He resolved to attack Burita, concluding with desperate resignation that if defeated he could but fall, sword in hand, and that would be the end of it.

The preparations for the assault were all admirably made—Colonel Marks forming himself and men into a forlorn hope for leading the attack, while the First Regiment brought up the rear.

At a given signal the attacking forces rushed madly to the assault—Col. Marks being somewhere about—and with fixed bayonets—

"Still as the breeze, but dreadful as the storm"—

they approached the terrible ramparts! Not a sound broke the stillness of that dreadful hour, and not a defiant bullet awakened the echoes within that leagured fortress. Marks

"wandered on
'Till within the range of a cartoue's reach
Of the leagured wall; but they saw him not,
Or how could he 'scape the hostile shot?
We know not, in south, but from yonder wall
There flashed no fire and there hissed no ball!"

Burita was as quiet as a churchyard, and the fortress surrendered without firing a shot—the whole garrison being composed of some half a dozen old women, and as many of the assinine species! This, however, was no fault of Col. Marks, and he would be a niggard of praise who should deny that in this instance the Colonel displayed "courage before the enemy"!

But to our rehearsal. The bloodless victory gained over the fortress did not induce the Colonel to relax his vigilance. Success did not render him careless of consequences. On the principle that "in peace we should prepare for war," the Colonel set about reconnoitering. Ascending the topmost height of one of the tallest *ranchos*, the Colonel drew out his telescope and took a general survey of the surrounding country. His practiced eye soon discovered on the extreme verge of the horizon a most formidable array! Galloping to and fro and kicking up a great dust, it was evident that a sweeping attack of cavalry was about to be made on his devoted band! The drums were ordered to beat to arms, and there was shrill music from the "wry-necked fife"! The camp was in intense commotion, and there was no telling what might have come of it, but that some irreverent private soldiers, mistrusting the oblique vision of the Colonel, looked out for themselves, and discovered that the brigade of cavalry that was sweeping down to the attack was nothing but a *caballada* of wild horses, grazing and curveting on the plain!

During the night succeeding, several alarms of midnight attacks were gotten up by the Colonel, merely for the purpose of cultivating vigilance in the ranks; but farther than these few instances, we have not heard the incidents of Col. Marks's "arduous campaign in Mexico" nor of his "courage before the enemy"!

We direct attention to the card in this morning's paper of Madame Crerar, advertising her Dancing Academy. Madame Crerar is familiar to our readers under her maiden name of Mmlle. Vincent.

STATE SENATOR FROM LAFOURCHE.—Among the candidates spoken of to represent this parish in the State Senate, we hear of Col. S. P. Key, Mr. Joseph L. Williams and others.

Col. Key is a lawyer of standing, and is connected with one of the most distinguished families of the country. Uniting capacity with integrity, there is no doubt but the interests of the State and Parish would find in him an able representative.

Mr. Williams is also a prominent candidate. He came to Lafourche from South Alabama in 1847, and purchased a sugar estate, to which, having given his personal attention, he has succeeded according to his wishes. During his residence in Alabama, Mr. Williams was engaged in the practice of the law in partnership with Judge Rufus C. Jones. He was induced to quit the practice of the law for the benefit of his health. Since his residence in Lafourche he has taken much interest in the developement of the various interests peculiar to this locality, and has given much of his attention to the improvement of the bayous, and a general system of levees and drainage, which subjects have so much interested the State Legislature. Mr. Williams is a whig of the Clay school, and was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1852.

With two such candidates in the field, the whigs of Lafourche will find it difficult to choose between them, being assured, however, that the interests of the parish will be secure in the hands of either.

Of the other candidates we know nothing, personally, but understand that they are clever and competent gentlemen. Whoever may be the choice, the parish will be sure of a faithful representative in the Senatorial branch of the Assembly.

MR. PANDELY'S RESIGNATION.—It will be seen by reference to our local columns, that Mr. George Pandely has tendered his resignation as a member of the Assistant Board of Aldermen, and that it has been accepted. Mr. Pandely predicates his resignation on his unwillingness to submit the investigation of his *status* to the Board of Assistant Aldermen. This is a false issue, the Assistant Board never having presumed to decide upon his *status*, because they could not. Mr. Pandely declares his intention to have that question settled by the judgment of a competent court, and by the verdict of an *impartial* jury, thereby intimating that his colleagues had prejudged the case. We are inclined to doubt whether the case will ever be carried through. That doubt will only be removed when we see that proceedings have been instituted.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.—At a meeting held last night at Holt's House, Gravier street, to nominate a candidate for the Representative branch of the State Legislature from the Third Representative District, in the place of W. C. Templeton, declined, Col. R. W. James was chosen. Col. James is well known for his association with the Tehuantepec Railroad route, having been one of the pioneer explorers of that interesting region.

We would direct attention to the funeral notice of Capt. Godfried Hammer, late master of bark Gen. Green, now in our port. The members of the Masonic fraternity are notified to attend his funeral, he being a late member of Solomon's Lodge, No. 1, of Charleston, South Carolina.

FURNISHING GOODS.—Our readers are referred to the advertisement in this morning's paper of C. Leighton & Co., of shirts and other articles of gentlemen's wearing apparel, all of which are of the finest quality, and can be furnished as cheap as any in the market.

Letter from Lafourche.

Correspondence of the Crescent.

LAFOURCHE, October 22, 1853.

The people of our parish are fast forgetting the sad events of the epidemic which has made desolate the hearths and homes of so many of our good citizens. The general stir of sugar-making which is at present upon all of our sugar estates, together with an excited contest going on between two of our wealthy citizens for the office of Parish Recorder, have quite changed the general face of things, and relieve the mind from the late sad events which, it is to be hoped, will never again disturb the quiet of our healthful people.

The contest for Recorder is between Mr. Jona C. White of the Minerva, and Mr. J. K. Gourdain. Mr. W. is favorably known to the press, having for the last six or eight years, as editor and proprietor, conducted the Thibodaux Minerva, an acknowledged popular whig journal; has been a member from this parish to the State Legislature for the last several years past; is honest and capable, and would make a very good Recorder. Mr. Gourdain is a popular young Creole of merit—has officiated for several years past in the Sheriff's office—is active, possessing good business habits, and, like Mr. W., honest and capable, and would make an excellent Recorder. Both are good whigs, and good friends, and are testing the strength of their personal popularity.

Owing to the sickness in Thibodaux, the proposed Whig Convention has be n indefinitely postponed, consequently no nominations are made. Col. P. B. Ker is the only candidate for the Senate, comprising the Lafourche parishes The Colonel is a good whig, a dignified, sensible gentleman, with pleasing address, and very popular. He possesses a lively interest in the great improvements which particularly characterizes the whig party of this State. He was a member to the Constitutional Convention The Colonel will make an excellent Senator. Of course, his election is certain.

For the Lower House, the names of several gentlemen are spoken of. Mr. J. C. Ragan, an active and popular whig, is a candidate. He is a member of the Police Jury of this parish, and is a member of the Town Council of Thibodaux. A wealthy gentleman, Mr. Charles Armatige, is also a candidate. Mr. A. is a whig, a good merchant—retired from mercantile pursuits, however, and has commenced sugar-planting. He is a sensible gentleman and will make a respectable member. Mr. M. Thibodaux, a young Creole of popular manners, has been brought out by his personal friends. The name of Joseph S. Williams, Esq., is also spoken of, and there is a strong probability that he will be the favorite candidate. The whigs are fully awake, and it is expected that the campaign will be a warm one. Yours, etc., LAFOURCHE.

TELEGRAPHIC ITEMS.

Mobile, Oct. 28.—The Board have resolved on discontinuing the reports of the interments in this city, and have pronounced the epidemic stayed.

It is new very cold here, and almost freezing. 11:25 A. M.—The mail as far as Montgomery has just arrived, in a very wet and damaged condition. It has failed altogether beyond that place.

The rivers are rising. [Evening papers.

Boston, Oct. 21.—A large free-soil meeting was held last night, at which resolutions were adopted recognizing the full political creed. Also, that all men, of whatever class, condition, color or clime, are bound to agitate for this party its peculiar doctrines, despite Barnburners, their platforms, denunciations and proscriptions. The meeting was honored by the presence of several distinguished persons.

New Haven, Oct. 20.—Judge Ingersoll yesterday refused to grant an injunction in the case of Horace H. Day *versus* L. Candee & Co., of this city, which was argued here a few weeks ago by the U. S. Circuit Court.

Louisville, Oct. 20.—Balloting for a U. S. Senator took place to-day in the Tennessee Legislature. The third ballot stood as follows: John Bell, 29; Henry, 14; Nelson, 12; Cave Johnson, 40. After this ballot Johnson withdrew.

Lancaster, Oct. 21.—The early passenger train of cars on the Columbia Railroad, going East, ran off the track near the Gap, owing to the switch being open. A delay of three hours was caused by the accident.

The passenger train going West came in collison with a freight train on the Coatesville bridge, killing three persons, one of whom is reported to be Mr. Eber, State Agent. Several other persons were injured, but the full extent of the disaster is not yet known here.

Coal is now selling at twenty-eight and thirty cents per bushel at Cincinnati.

Madam Sontag gave her first concert for the present season in Philadelphia on the 24th.

The Holliday Street Theatre opened for the season on the 23d. E. A. Marshall manager.

Mr. William Chambers, of the celebrated Edinburg publishing house is now in Boston.

The Boston Post says that the man who couldn't "express" his feelings, has applied to Adams & Co.

Somebody advertises to "set up" with the sick for $1 50 per night; *delirium tremens* double price.

A woman named Ellen Bess, committed suicide in Boston on the 18th by shooting herself with a pistol.

A young man, a bricklayer, fell from the fourth story of a building in Louisville, on the 10th, and was instantly killed.

A devastating fire is raging in the woods and swamps near Detroit, destroying everything in its course, and obstructing the passages of the trains on the railroads.

David Baldwin, an esteemed and wealthy citizen of Nashua, N. H., committed suicide on the 16th by hanging himself in his store. The cause of the melancholy act his unknown.

During the week ending the 16th, the contributions in Louisville to the fund for the erection of a Clay monument, reached the sum of *six thousand and forty-one dollars*.

Thackery says a woman's heart is just like a lithographer's stone—what is once written upon it cannot be rubbed out. This is so. Let an heiress once fix her affections on a stable boy, all the preaching in the world will not get her thoughts above oat-boxes and curry-combs. "What is written on her heart can't be rubbed out." This fact shows itself not only in love but in religion. Men change their gods a dozen times, a woman never. To convert a Sister of Charity to Methodism would require a greater amount of power than you would make use of to overturn the pyramids.

NEWS OF THE CITY.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.—Pursuant to adjournment, this Board met last evening, Dr. Dalton in the Chair, fifteen members present.

Mr. Watkins moved that the regular order of business be dispensed with, as the Board met for a special purpose, which was agreed to, and a message from the Mayor was read, furnishing Mr. Pandely's resignation as a member of the Board.

Here is Mr. Pandely's letter:

NEW ORLEANS, October 27, 1853.

To the Honorable A. D. Crossman, Mayor of the city of New Orleans:

SIR: Inasmuch as I am unwilling to submit the investigation and decision of my *status* to the Board of Assistant Aldermen, but am, on the contrary, determined to have that question settled by the judgment of a competent court on the verdict of an impartial jury of my fellow citizens, I herewith tender my resignation as a member of the Board of Assistant Aldermen of the city of New Orleans.

With respect, your ob't serv't. G. PANDELEY.

A motion was made to lay the resignation the table until an investigation could be had, which was lost.

The resignation was then accepted by a vote of ten to four.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—*Man Killed.*—A man named Peter Hughes, who lived at the corner of Delord and Magazine streets, was killed yesterday afternoon by being run over by a baggage car of the Carrollton Railroad. The deceased was sitting in the space between the baggage car and the tender while coming into the depot, after the locamotive had been detached. The cars, at the spot where he was killed, run very close to the wall, and as he approached the corner he leaped off, and not calculating his momentum, was thrown violently against the brick-work and fell back under the cars, which passed over and killed him instantly; his head was terribly cut and mashed, and his body otherwise mangled. His little son, a boy of eight or ten years, was present at the time. The body was covered with a shirt when we reached the spot, and the boy stood by, sobbing and looking wildly about upon the crowd and upon the motionless body of his father, as if he hardly comprehended the reality of the melancholy scene. An inquest was held by Deputy Coroner Terrell, and a verdict rendered according with the facts. We cannot say that any direct blame could attach to any one for this unfortunate accident, but it is a dangerous looking place where it occurred; and it always makes one sudder to see a railroad train dashing closely by a solid wall, to think how flesh and bones would be ground to powder in such a fearful embrace.

RECORDER WINTER'S COURT—*First District.*—John Johnson, who keeps a store on Magazine street, entered a deposition in this court yesterday against one Catharine Mirror, charging her with stealing a decanter of wine from him for the purpose of going on a spree. Catharine was remanded till the 31st.

UNLUCKY.—John Webster, *alias* Henry Miller, was yesterday hauled up on the charge of being a vagrant and a dangerous and suspicious character, and of "following no honest occupation to obtain a subsistence." The prisoner was a rather sharp looking specimen of a vagrant, and appeared to know what he was about when driven into a corner by the questions of the Recorder, he admitted that he had been convicted and punished for larceny some time ago, but declared that he had since effected a reformation in his habits and character, and professed his willingness to leave town immediately if permitted. His assumption of contrition was about to prevail, when it occurred to the Recorder to ask him where he lodged during his sojourn here. "City Hotel," replied the prisoner, pulling up his dirty shirt collar, and appearing to think he had put the finishing stroke to his certificate of Character. The Court seemed to think so too, and asked the prisoner if he did not stop there for the purpose of exercising his dexterity upon well filled pockets, which he strenuously denied, but was reduced to the alternative of finding a voucher, or being sent to the workhouse for sixty days.

DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES.—A most perplexing chapter of private disturbances, fighting and assaults and batteries, was yesterday laid open to the scrutiny of this Court. James Kinney and his wife entered depositions against Pat Coyle and his wife, charging them with assaults and batteries of a most novel character. The evidence went to show that the two families occupied the same building, or adjoining buildings, and had a yard in common; that Mr. Kinney, in passing through the yard, either purposely or accidentally knocked down a clothes-line, and that Mrs. Coyle thereupon set upon him, scratched his face, clinched her fist in his top-knot, and falling upon her back dragged him down upon her, punishing him thoroughly in the meantime; that at this critical juncture the husband unluckily arrived and took part in the gymnastic amusement; that the cries of the belabored individual brought his wife to aid him, and that the whole affair resulted in a grand row which awoke everybody in the neighborhood round about. The parties accused were sent before the First District Court.

AN INCORRIGIBLE RASCAL.—It may be learned from yesterday's local column, that one Arthur C. Watt was on Thursday sent before the First District Court by Recorder Winter, under a breach of trust, the evidence proving very clearly that he had appropriated certain moneys that accident had placed in his hands. Yesterday he was again arrested, charged with swindling a little girl named Julia Barrett of six tickets to the firework exhibition to be held on Tuesday evening next. This operation rather eclipses the one performed by Dr. Hinds on the little boy. Watt was locked up. What next?

ROBBERY.—The case of Andrew and Bridget Hanley, charged with robbing Martin Norton of $88 while descending the river on the steamboat Herald, was yesterday brought up and dismissed for want of evidence.

JACK ASHORE.—New Orleans, like the "City of Angels," is famous for the temptations which lead poor Jack astray. Captains of vessels must keep a sharp look-out when they enter this port, or a portion of their crews turn up missing. Juan Batista de Bagagorti ("Caesar, what a name!"), yesterday made affidavit before Recorder Ramos that a part of the crew of the ship Habanero had deserted, and prayed their arrest and detention, until such time as his vessel may be ready to put to sea.

CITY OF JEFFERSON, October 24, 1853.

MR. A. Z. TRUDEAU—*Dear Sir:* I am directed by the Whig Parish Convention of the parish of Jefferson, which met on Saturday, October 22, 1853, at 12 o'clock, M., at the Court-house in the town of Carrollton, to inform you that you have been nominated as the whig candidate for the State Senate, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Victor Berthe, and to request the acceptance of the same. You will therefore answer as soon as possible.

I am yours, etc.,
JOHN T. MICHEL,
Secretary of the Whig Parish Convention.

CARROLLTON, October 27, 1853.

MR. JOHN T. MICHEL, Secretary of the Parish Convention of Jefferson Parish—*Sir:* I acknowledge receipt of your note of the 24th inst., apprising me of my nomination by the Whig Convention as whig candidate for the State Senate in the place of Judge Victor Barthe.

In answer, I only have to say that I accept the very flattering nomination, and will neglect nothing to secure the triumph of the principles which we all have so much at heart. At the same time, sir, allow me to thank your honorable body and the whigs of the parish for the confidence placed in me. I am, sir, your ob't serv't,
A. Z. TRUDEAU.

Died:

On October 28, at half past 1 o'clock, P. M., GODFRIED HAMMER, late master of bark General Green, aged 21 years.

☞ The members of MOUNT MORIAH LODGE No. 59, and the members of the Masonic Fraternity generally, are requested to attend the funeral of Brother G. HAMMER, late member of SOLOMON'S LODGE No. 1, Charleston, S. C., from the residence of R. Candon, Esq., corner of Magazine and Delord streets, THIS MORNING, at half-past 11 o'clock.

WALTER NICOL, W. M.

☞ Baltimore and Charleston papers please copy.

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Public Schools.

From the many recent complaints against the Public Schools we do not think that a few remarks upon the subject would be amiss.

These institutions, founded in a spirit of philanthropy for the propagation of knowledge and for the purpose of affording to every child the advantages of a liberal education, have, by the incompetency of their Directors, not answered the benevolent aim. While justice was administered with regard to the selection of competent persons for discharging such important duties as the education of youth, we behold them in a flourishing state, and proud to think that in this respect our city might soon compete with any in the Union. But, alas! such visions of glory have faded, and we now see the Public Schools no longer a ground for the dissemination of learning, but a field for the display of personal preferences, and the promotion of the interest of indigent friends and relatives of the Directors—where no regard is paid to the intellectual or moral qualifications of a teacher—where the claims of merit are utterly disregarded, and where, at any time, ignorance (if protected) is certain of success.

Shall these noble institutions be thus degraded? Shall public education be thus sacrificed, by the partiality of ignorant administrators? Shall ignorance prevail, and merit cease to be a recommendation? And will not one voice be raised—one effort made to rescue them from the destruction which is their inevitable doom if longer they continue to be the refuge of ignorant poverty? JUSTICE.

October 28, 1853. o29*

☞ WHIG PARISH CONVENTION.—The Delegates appointed by the several Election Precincts of the Parish of Jefferson met, according to previous understanding, at the Court-house, in the town of Carrollton, on SATURDAY, October 22, 1853, at 12 o'clock, M.

The Delegates present were—Hon. F. J. Lainer, T. D. Metcalf and John T. Michel, from the City of Jefferson; C. T. Forshey, A. D. Bienvenu and J. B. Mason, from Carrollton; Hon. Fergus Gardere and Emile Livaudais, from Gretna.

On motion, Hon. Fergus Gardere was appointed President, and John T. Michel, Secretary.

The President took the chair, and explained the object of the Convention to be to nominate a Whig Candidate for the State Senate, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Victor Berthe, and also a Candidate for the House of Representatives.

The Convention then proceeded to the nomination of a Candidate for the State Senate, and Mr. A. Z. TRUDEAU being the only Candidate, was declared, by acclamation, the Whig Nominee for said office.

Hon. Fergus Gardere informed the Convention that he had been instructed by the Whigs of the Parish of St. Charles to lay before this Convention the name of Dr. Wm. R. Taylor, as the Whig Nominee of that Parish for the State Senate.

On motion, the nomination of Dr. Wm. R. Taylor as the Whig Candidate for the State Senate, by the Parish of St. Charles, was unanimously confirmed.

The Convention then proceeded with the nomination of a Candidate for the House of Representatives.

Mr. JOSEPH VAN MATRE was nominated, and declared, by acclamation, the Whig Nominee for said office.

Mr. C. T. Forshey offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. I. B. Mason, and the yeas and nays being called upon the adoption of the same, it appeared that all the Delegates voted yea, viz:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Convention it is the true policy of the Whig party in the Parish of Jefferson to make party nominations for all parish offices.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to address a note to the Nominees, advising them of their nominations.

On motion, the proceedings of this Convention were ordered to be published in the Daily Crescent.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to THURSDAY, October 27, 1853, at 11 o'clock, M., for the purpose of nominating a Whig Candidate for the office of SHERIFF, and such others as this Convention may deem fit. A true copy: JOHN T. MICHEL, Secretary. o29

☞ WHIG ASSOCIATION OF THE FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.—A meeting of this Association will take place at their meeting room, corner of Rampartand St. Ann streets, on SATURDAY EVENING, October 29, 1853, at 7 o'clock. The members of the Association are requested to be punctual.

☞ The Whigs of the city are invited to attend.

C. F. SHEINNAYDRE, President.
J. B. SARAPARU, Secretary. o27

☞ YOUNG AMERICA AGAINST THE FIELD.—Mr. Editor: You will please announce JAMES L. CARMAN as a Candidate for the office of SHERIFF, subject to the decision of the people, in opposition to all cliques, combinations, monopolies and packed [o22 1e] YOUNG AMERICA.
Convention.

☞ LOUISIANA GREYS—*Relief Committee.* The following Members have been appointed by the Company as a Relief Committee, to serve until January 1, 1854:

JOHN MAGUIRE, Chairman, Claiborne street, between Common and Jackson streets.
WILLIAM TOWELL, No. 140 Magazine or Benton, near Melpomene street.
THOMAS GRAHAM, corner of Hercules and Triton Walk.

☞ Applicants for relief must furnish the Relief Committee with a certificate or receipt, according to Article 7 of the Bye-laws on Relief.

JOS. F. RUSSIA, Secretary.
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☞ This well known establishment, having undergone complete repairs, etc., during the past summer, is now open to the public, and the Proprietor, grateful for past favors, would solicit the continuance of the same.

☞ His accommodations for Families are unsurpassed by any Hotel in the South. [o26 1m&W1] J. W. YOUNG, Proprietor.

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☞ See advertisement in another column. no15 1y

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METAIRIE COURSE—TROTTING RACE.—On SUNDAY, the 30th of October, there will be a Trotting Race over the Track, at two mile heats, for a Purse of $25, for which the following Horses are entered:

John Farrer enters.....SOLIVER.
James Jones enters.....GRAY COLT.
George Wright enters.....FLAT BOAT.

☞ Race to come off at 4 o'clock.
☞ Entrance to the Gate and Stands, Fifty Cents.
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AMERICAN THEATRE.—For Three Nights Only.—SATURDAY EVENING, October 29, will be performed the Comedy of NAVAL ENGAGEMENTS.—For characters see small bills.—Favorite SONG, by Miss Virginia Kemble.—FANCY DANCE, by the young lady of the city who was so favorably received a few evenings since.—To conclude with the excellent farce of IRISH MEMOIRS; or, His Last Legs.

Boxes and Parquette, 75 cents; Second Tier, 50 cents; Gallery, 25 cents. Doors open at 7, and performances to commence at half-past 7, precisely. o29

DANCING ACADEMY, at the MECHANICS' INSTITUTE, Philippa street, and at the UNION HALL, Lafayette, CRERAR, (late Mlle. VINCENT,) Professor and Teacher of DANCING, will open her DANCING CLASSES in the Mechanics' Institute on TUESDAY, November 8, and at Union Hall on WEDNESDAY, November 9.

☞ For terms, apply at the Office of the Free Library. o29 1m

FOR SALE.—A COTTAGE HOUSE on Felicity Road, between Nuyulos and Prytania streets; four Rooms, Gallery, Breakfast room, Kitchen, front and rear Gallery, with FURNITURE, if wished.

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CRANBERRIES—100 qr. bbls Cortis & Co.'s;
TEAS—100 chests, Paoshong, Imperial Gunpowder, and Young Hyson;
SPLIT PEAS—50 half bbls;
PEARL BARLEY—100 kegs;
TOBACCO—15 packages (E. Goodwin's);
MATCHES—20 cases (Bruce's Extra);
ALE and PORTER—4 casks London;
CRUSHED and POWDERED SUGARS—150 pkgs.;
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