THE DAILY CRESCENT.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 24, 1854.

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONVENTION.

The journals of the South, so far as Baltimore, are occupying themselves not a little with the assembly of this body (which is to happen at Charleston, S. C., on the 4th of April next.) and with its objects, now that good, loyal and practical men have begun to take part in them, in lieu of the disunionists and dreamers, who originally got up these Southern Conventions.

At first, these bodies were tricks of the politicians and meant only for mischief, under the name of zeal for Southern rights or Southern commerce. When the disunionists found that direct schemes for breaking up this Confederacy would not be tolerated, they took to indirection, made a great ado about the dependence on the North in which we were held, and tried to insinuate through commercial jealousies, the disaffection which they had in vain tried to excite by the poison of their politics.

But instead of the evil they designed, good has come of their Conventions. The complaint made of our large tribute to Northern artisans is stimulating us to new industrial productions; the angry lamentations over our commercial and financial dependence are leading us on, not to the dismal and fatal strife which was intended, but to the generous and fraternal one of repairing, by Southern skill and vigor, the advantages fairly lost by Southern supineness. The arts and trades of diversified and divided labor, the great improvements of scientific engineering, which everywhere animate employments and vehicle their results, are fast making their way among us and achieving for us what is worth, for the security of a commonwealth, a thousand times the strength and safety that ever were in all those sapless State Rights which Virginia has invented. What are they, unless backed by the material prosperity and power of a State? Where these exist, there will always be States Rights enough; and none, where these genuine defences of a State do not exist.

On one point, however, we desire to express ourselves, before quitting this subject of Conventions. We have said that these Southern ones have ceased to be odious, have become useful, by ceasing to be made up of political incendiaries and their creatures. In order that they may accomplish the good of which they are capable, they must vigilantly guard themselves against the strong tendency which every thing in our country has to party, and even sectional politics. We want to see no more Nashville Conventions; nor, indeed, any assembly of southern deputies, that is to meet or act in a sectional spirit. Let the objects to which they address themselves be, if you will, local; but let the feeling be only of zeal to effect a good for your region or quarter, in behalf of which you would be equally strenuous, under any other circumstances. We hope, in short, that not a word will be suffered in that convention, but of loyalty and affection to our common country.

There are various special matters, on which the Convention may hold counsel, with great public benefit. We think it will do good, much in proportion as it shall devote itself to special subjects: such as railroads, sea steamers, the useful arts, ameliorations in our slave system. We would also commend to their attention, the state of the Mail Service, through all the middle and lower valley of the Mississippi.

THE FINAL FINALITY.

The great argument which the friends of fresh disturbance and renewed agitation on the slave question are now employing in behalf of their pestilent Nebraska bill, is, that they disturb matters, to prevent disturbance, and agitate us for quiet's sake. We humbly thank you, Mr. Pierce, illustrious promoter of Free-Soilers! We are infinitely beholden to you, Mr. Douglas, most diminutive of giants! But really, gentlemen, we do not enjoy the plan of letting you break our head, in order to have you plaster it. We hate your cudgel; we abominate your salve. You shan't make for yourselves (as you hope to do) either your Presidential sceptre of that, or your royal unction of this. Your salve shall neither annoint our head nor yours. We'll run no such risk to oblige you. We are very well as we are, and choose to stay so.

But these two Presidential candidates urge us to have this one more disturbance, and then (they give us their word) we shall never be troubled again. In short, the present is to be "the very last" agitation. They told us the same in 1850: *that* was then to be the final ty. Pray, is a finality to be final or not?

The same worthies want hugely to get rid of the Missouri compromise: and the Abolitionists (wise and consistent) are suddenly great lovers of that same compromise. So they have both just exchanged parts! Isn't this a great country?

Hark ye, gentlemen of the South! When you were stronger, you got the old Compromise: now, when you are weaker, you had better stick to it. Nay, stick to all the compromises: for be assured that the *next* agitation—that is to say, this, if you are drawn into it—will, in all human probability, be the last. *There'll never be another Compromise:* rely on that easy prophecy.

THE NAPOLEON OF IMPOSTORS.

There is a famous book *De tribus impostoribus*—of *The Three Impostors*—which lives only in report. For though the learned have writ no little about it, its author and its contents, it by no means appears that any body has ever seen it, except in the shape of a subsequent forgery, made to meet the curiosity of scholars. So that the book of the three great Impostors, if it ever existed at all, is itself but a base cheat.

Were all those celebrated swindlers, however, wrapped into one, and that one had composed the autobiography of his own despicable deceptions, it would fade away into a self-encomium, in comparison with that which may appear, when Barnum, the king of knaves and arch-adept of impudent inventions, shall publish what he has announced—his own life. We say "may appear," as meaning what Barnum might tell, if he ever told the truth. The forth-coming volume, however, affords but the dimmest possibility of any truth: Since, to secure it from all chance of veracity, Barnum has wisely determined to write it himself. No inferior fabricator could have done any justice to the subject. As none but himself could be his parallel in prevarication, none but Barnum could be the adequate historian of his own falsehoods. In praise of Hardy's "Life of Lord Charlemont," it was said to be fitly written—"the life of a gentleman by a gentleman." It is equally proper that the greatest of all "bites" should be recorded by the greatest of all "biters."

The public must, however, bear in mind the wholesome recollection that when they buy anything from Barnum, they always find themselves "sold." This is far from being his first biography: witness his "Life of Joyce Heath" and his "History of the Mermaid." In point of interest, the "Life of a Pickpocket" can hardly come up to the daring deeds of the heroes told of in Macfarlane's "Lives of Highwaymen." For the inferior breed of thieves, your petty-larceny rogues, Barnum's might, however, be an instructive, could it prove a truthful book. But the first bit of truth has yet to come from this fabulist. So that we must conclude that his book can be of little interest and no use, except to those who have need to improve their natural faculty for telling what is not so.

We learn that, as a companion to the bill which we the other day mentioned for removing the taint of blood after a certain number of generations, its author, Judge Kearney, is about to bring before the Legislature, another, in the following terms:

"An act to discourage illicit cohabition."

"Be it enacted, etc., That if any white man shall form an alliance with any colored woman having one-eighth or more than one-eighth of negro blood in her veins, the person so living in concubinage shall be disqualified to hold any office of trust, of honor, or emolument, in this State. Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall intefere with any pre-existing relations."

ATTENTION, POST-MASTERS!—Looking upon our subscribers—especially such as have paid up—as among the most virtuous and reasonable of men, we consider ourselves bound to perform their wishes. If those wishes come to us reinforced by a bank bill to liquidate a past odds and turn it against us, the mere wish rises into a command. Such subscribers, we need hardly say, must be supposed to know what they would have, and to be strictly entitled to get it. For these reasons, we publish the following, from such a subscriber. Having once been ourself a country Post-master, we can testify that the epithet applied to Post-masters generally is rather harsh; but it no doubt escaped our friend in the succinctness and energy of his style. He hates looking about for softening circumlocutions.

"Have the paper sent to M—— & F—— Mariana, Florida, *via* Pensacola, and Geneva, Ala.; and *not to be opened* by the rascally Post-masters, and others that have full access to the Post-office, on the river."

We are making arrangements for having a spring-gun put up inside of all our papers, so as to go off and shoot the man that opens it, without having subscribed. Beware!

FINE LECTURE.—Our readers must not forget that to-night brings another of that admirable series of lectures, in which Professor Alexander Dimitry is displaying for us, in a manner the most masterly, the several great branches of Greek history. There can seldom be subject or lecturer more instructive or noble.

MEDICAL ARRIVAL.—In another column will be found the advertisement of Dr. C. P. Crane; who, from the many testimonials we have seen, enjoys and merits a high reputation, for his successful practice in those diseases or defects, which are set forth in his advertisement.

The Italian Opera Troupe, composed of forty-five performers, under the direction of Signor Arditti, on its way to New Orleans, has joined Madame Sontag's company at Mobile. Their first performance was given last night.

GOVERNOR'S HORSE GUARDS.—A pleasing feature in the parade of the 22d was the appearance of a squad of the Governor's Horse Guards, a troop composed of the field and staff officers of the 1st and 2d Brigades, L. M., and some others of our citizens who have "passed muster" as colonels. Their uniform, that of field officers of cavalry, with one or two slight changes, is exceedingly neat and indicates readiness for "service." The troop is about being chartered by the Legislature, upon the principle of the "ancient and honorable" corps of Revolutionary times and the "Boston Cadets." Europe furnishes many precedents of such an organization. The design is most excellent, and will well serve as an incentive to the "onward march" of the citizen soldiery. We hail with pleasure the appearance of the worthy few of the 8th, the "ice-breakers" of the enterprise, and wish the troop the success it merits. Subjoined is a list of its officers and members:

Commander—The Governor of the State, (with staff).
Captain—Col. W. W. W. Wood.
First Lieutenant—Col. H. M. Summers.
Second Lieutenant—Col. Walter V. Crouch.
Cornet—Col. J. M. C. Brady.
Surgeon—Dr. W. N. Head.
Sergeants—Lieut. Colonels John L. Mueller, Kathman, McDougall and Terrell.
Corporals—Lieut. Colonels J. J. McCormack, Schuppert, Ricksto and Lamotte.
*Honorary Members**—Major General John L. Lewis, Brigadier General E. L. Tracy, Brigadier General Denis Corcoran, Col. Henry Forno, Col. H. Packington, Lieut. Col. F. Leach, Col. Horace Keating, Dr. John Booth, Capt. Alex. Dorbes, Major A. A. Saria.
Private—Colonels Monaghan, Phillips, Armstrong, Edwards; Lieut. Colonels Condon, Brier, Shrewsbrach, Morse, Murphy, Carman, Treme, McGauley, Morrell, Walgamot, Karsendieck, Grand Pre, Folwell, Polk, Claiborne, Le Blanc, Wingfield, Muxwell, Bozonier, Rateshide, Wheelham, Johnson, etc.

* Parade on the anniversary of the corps.

List of passengers per steamship El Dorado, Captain Gray, sailed on the morning of the 22d for California *via* Aspinwall:

Mr Bateman, Mrs Bateman, Ellen and Kate Bateman, W Rogers, Mrs A Doz, Mrs A V S Clyt, Miss O'Kane, J O Kane, Miss E McAlams, J H Clifton, Mr West, W Wood, J Long, G Lonewood, G W Banks, L Love, A Barnett, W S Fisher, S Beckman, B L Chinn, W Campbell, J Clark, T McNamosa, J McMahon, M Caughlin, M Mahoney, J Bennet, M Barry, C M Snyder, W A Snyder, J F Brooks, A Mackerick, T Sammygle, J H Hearin, P Gross, C Federson, J Abaro, M Conner, M Waguin, A Smith, C Taylor, L Farlane, L Nearonny, F Lockhart, J Clark, J Phillips, and 5 children, L Dubois, A Yeager, J Smith, RRobinson, F Manuel, W Drake, E Earle, J H Rogers, L Earle, C W Marlance, W W Yeates, F W Isaacs, G Hill, R Keith, N A Keith, S Pfathiman, K Pfathigan, J Dettman, N Dettman, J Vasondy, N McCarthy, Mrs McCulley and 3 children, Mrs Eastwood, Mrs Trim, Mr Smith, Mrs Smith and child, F Johnson, J Kennedy, Louisa Wagner, Margy Staffles, Ann B Delein and child, J Morcer, J H Thomas, D Bartyman, J C Silver, E Delleon, Mr Salvador, S Hardy, P Charles, M McGouge, O Rozier, H H Stanton, H Hussman, F McCann, J O'Connell, J B Destoss, J Ferrand, J Scott, W Gaughan, Thos McHale, R Dorsey, J C Lavels, H D Dole, H John, R John, A Carsthang, J English, G Prevostis, D de Arazo, Fernandez L Beda, mrs Beda and child, J Fossey, A Baudo, B Brandar, F Arenot, J McRay, P McGuire, J Hint, mr Fisher, P Farero, mrs Morcen and two children, F Morcan, C B Cole, J B Robbins, O A Moxby, E F Duncan, J W Little, H Howard, W Coffman, F Martin, W Vandebunt, P McDonald, J Ledwith, R Y Dunn, M Boylan, G Archey, mr Meicher, C Attimore, mrs Meicher and four children, A G Grant, J Carr, W Wright, C Remey.

☞ Steerage Passengers.

LOUISIANA.—The Feliciana Whig of the 18th inst. says: The last penalty of the law was executed yesterday upon the negro boy Frank, a notice of whose conviction for the killing of a fellow slave, we published some time since. It was witnessed, we are informed, by a numerous assembly of whites and blacks, and we regret to add, some white females. The usual amount of ribaldry, profanity and obscenity common to such occasions, also prevailed.

The Rev. Sereno Taylor, who has been visiting the condemned, affording him religious consolation and instruction, attended him to the scaffold, where he made some pertinent and impressive remarks, suitable to the understanding of the black spectators.

The Alexandria Republican of the 18th inst. has the following items:

THE RIVER.—The river still continues to rise slowly, about one inch or more a day. The falls will be clearly passable in about a week, if it continues at this rate.

KILLED.—A man by the name of Wm. Leftwich was killed to-day, on the other side of the river, by John Lemmons. The latter is in jail. We have not learned the particulars.

The Baton Rouge Comet announces the death, in the 74th year of his age, of Mr. J. P. Michel, for forty years a resident of that place. He has left property variously estimated at from one hundred and fifty to two hundred thousand dollars, without either issue or direct heirs.

OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD.—This important road, which will connect Cincinnati and St. Louis by an almost air line route, and form the western link of the line to which Baltimore looks for the completion of her connection with St. Louis, is being rapidly urged to completion. The entire length of the road is 339 miles, of which 160 miles will be opened within the next two months. The whole road, it is thought, will be completed by the 1st of October next.

YELLOW FEVER AT PORT AU PRINCE.—Advices from Port au Prince to January 19th, received at New York, report the yellow fever as raging there badly, particularly among the shipping. Among the deaths are Capt. Brown, of the brig Industry, from Machias, the captain of the brig Luingo, from Philadelphia, the captain of the schr. King Phillip, of Boston, and from two to four men of each of these vessels.

THE ARKANSAS.—The Arkansas river is said to be now lower than it has been before for years.

LATEST TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

TO THE NEW ORLEANS DAILY CRESCENT.

By the National Line.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

BATON ROUGE, Feb. 23.—*Senate*.—The bill to abolish tacit mortgages was laid on the table to-day by a vote of fifteen to ten.

House.—The House was occupied until four o'clock to-day, debating the eligibility of Messrs. Corcoran, Nixon and Weisheimer to their seats. The resolution declaring them ineligible was finally laid on the table.

Louisiana Legislature.

BATON ROUGE, Feb. 24, 1854.

In the House to-day the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the bill introduced by Mr. Olney for the appointment of inspectors and Measurers of lumber and staves in the city of New Orleans, reported unfavorably. The same was, at the suggestion of the Chairman, referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Bullard a bill to incorporate the first Presbyterian Church in the city of New Orleans was taken up, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Olney introduced a bill to establish a Quarantine station at the mouth of the Mississippi, for the prevention of the yellow fever and other pestilential diseases in the city of New Orleans. Referred to the Committee on Health.

A bill creating the office of Inspector of weights and measures for the Fourth District of New Orleans. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Smart introduced an act to restrict the Judges of the Supreme Court to decisions of questions of law in all cases submitted to them.

The House then proceeded to the orders of the day, and took up the bill authorizing the Parish Treasurer to employ the Sheriff in the sale of sixteen sections. Read a third time and passed.

The roll was then called—when it appeared only 41 members were present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to call in the absentees.

In the Senate, Mr. Richardson introduced a bill adopting the electoral basis, instead of the one now in operation.

Also, in favor of biennial, instead of annual sessions of the Legislature.

The bill introduced by Mr. King was then called up, in relation to tacit-mortgages, and gave rise to a long and animated discussion, in which Messrs. King, Lacey Wickliffe and Moore took part.

The principal objection was to the first section of the bill, which provides that no mortgage shall take effect unless the same be recorded on or before the 1st of April, 1855.

It was contended that this was an *ex parte facto* law which destroyed the obligation of a contract already existing, and that the Legislature had no right to destroy a vested right.

Mr. Lacey, who spoke at great length, stated that if this objectionable feature was removed, he would vote in favor of the bill, as it was perfect in all other respects.

Pending the discussion on this subject, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock. C.

BATON ROUGE, Feb. 20, 1854—*Senate*.—On motion of Mr. Lacey the rules were suspended and the bill to provide for the navigation of the river Amite and the Bayou Manchac, was taken up.

The yeas and nays being called for, on its final passage, resulted in eighteen yeas to two nays.

Mr. Richardson, on leave, called up the House bill for the relief of the veterans of 1814–'15, appropriating $35,000 for that purpose. Referred.

Mr. King, on leave, called up the Senate bill entitled an act relative to motions and arrests in judgments in criminal cases.

Mr. Martel, on leave, called up the bill entitled an act to improve the navigation of the Atchafalaya. Passed.

An act to provide for the subscription by the city of New Orleans to the stock of the N. O. J. and G. N. Railroad, and the stock of the Opelousas and Great Western Railroad, was made the special order of the day for Thursday next.

A resolution was introduced instructing swamp land Commissioners to cause a survey to be made of that portion of country lying in the Parish of Madison, known as Diamond Island Bend.

In the House there was no quorum.

NEWS OF THE CITY.

Fatal Accident.—A boy named Nicholas Reine, aged five years, was killed yesterday on the sidewalk, at No. 300 Tchoupitoulas street, in the following manner: A number of drays were passing at a rapid rate, and the wheel of one of them struck a horse which a gentleman was on the point of mounting, when the frighted animal made a sudden bound upon the sidewalk, striking the boy with his shoulder and forcing his head against a lie or post near which he stood, crushing it in so terrible a manner as to produce instant death. Deputy Coroner Terrell held an inquest upon the body, and a verdict was rendered in accordance with the circumstances.

The same gentleman held an inquest yesterday upon the body of Eliza Giles, a native of Ireland, aged 25 years, found dead in a house in Nayades street, near Calliope. Verdict, "Death from apoplexy, caused by intemperance."

Accident.—We learn that a collision occurred yesterday on the Shell Road, opposite the Metairie Race Track, between a buggy and carriage, and that the horses attached to the latter became frightened and ran into the canal. A colored woman who was seated in the vehicle made her escape, but the horses were drowned. The property belonged to Mr. Powell, who keeps a livery stable on City street, we believe.

Metairie Course.—The Trotting Race yesterday over this track was won by *May Queen* after a contest of four heats. The track was good but not fast, and 2:44 was the best heat made.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1854. Purse and stake $200.
O. W. Dimmick names s. m. *May Queen*.....1 2 1 1
J. L. Riff names bk. h. *Dr. Elliot*.....3 1 2 2
G. W. Bidwell names blk. h. *Boniface*.....2 3 dis
Time, 2:44—2:49½—2:47—2:49.

Elopement and Family Row.—Not very long ago there lived in Robinson street an old lady and her daughter. The lady was *not* old, nor yet young, but middle-aged; she was not handsome, nor yet ugly, but rather tolerable; she was not tall, neither short, not stout, neither lean, but full-limbed, muscular, active, energetic, and withal physically formidable to any one who might stir her up beyond the bounds of Christian forbearance. Her daughter, in respect of most of the qualities mentioned above, stood in the positive and not the comparative degree. She was neither old or middle-aged, but young; she was not ugly, but handsome; she was neither tall nor lean, but decidedly short and very fat, not to say corpulent; and as for being physically formidable, we venture to assert there could not be found more than one man in ten who would fear to encounter her.

Strange though it may appear, this stout, vigorous young lady returned the love of a small, boyish, pale-faced, spindle-legged tailor, whose chief claim to be considered the ninth part of a man, consisted in the shadowy outline of a moustache which he had cultivated with most surprising industry and perseverance. In vain the mother discouraged the addresses of this knight of the goose and shears; he persisted, he gained ground, he prevailed and ran away with the daughter across the Lake and married her. They came back to the city, tailor and wife, she somewhat the thicker and looking much improved in spirits and condition, and he decidedly thinner and rather the worse for wear.

They soon ascertained there was not the least hope of mollifying the incensed parent, whose wrath was of that nature which admits of no diminution, and of an intensity that would leave the little tailor no sort of chance should he come within its scope. They accordingly determined to sequester themselves from the maternal vengeance and enjoy the honey-moon in a quiet sort of a way. But the old lady was on the alert; she had a great strapping son-in-law, denominated Clark, into whose dutiful hands she deposited her quarrel, and who was commissioned to take ample satisfaction upon the gentleman of cloth for having stolen her daughter. And it so fell out that Mr. T. H. Clark the other day met our matrimonial experimenter in the street and gave him "fits," pummelling him with a severity and earnestness that could have been expected from nobody besides a brother-in-law. The chastised party immediately applied to the law for justice and protection, and yesterday the whole family appeared before Recorder Winter, of the First District Police Court. The scene at the examination of the case was almost indescribable; it required the most strenuous exertions on the part of the police to prevent the old lady from executing summary vengeance upon her new son-in-law. She applied to him the vilest and most ridiculous epithets, and withal assumed such a fearful and threatening aspect that he was fain to ask the protection of the Court against her.

Clark was placed under bond to keep the peace, but we have no idea the old lady will permit the matter to end thus.

RECORDER WINTER'S COURT—*First District*. Thomas McCullough was arraigned before this Court yesterday, charged with breaking and destroying furniture and other articles in a house on Girond street, while intoxicated, and with abusing and maltreating his wife. His examination was fixed for the 21 of March. We understand this is the same individual who severely wounded his wife in the neck with a knife some months ago, on Triton Walk; he escaped punishment on that occasion by his wife refusing to appear against him; but it is to be desired, since he proves himself an incorrigible brute, that he may now receive his deserts.

Charge of Arson.—The case of Manuel Leytino, charged with having fired his own house, near the Mobile Landing, New Basin, was fixed for Saturday, the 25th inst.

Family Feud.—Two affidavits were filed in this Court yesterday against Delia Bean and Ellen O'Connell, (sisters,) charging them with having committed a series of violent and dangerous assaults upon different members of a family named Elisha, living at No. 22 St. Paul street. Their examination was fixed for the 27th instant.

A New Way to Collect Old Debts.—Mr. H. Sample, a cabman, was arraigned and examined yesterday on a charge preferred by Joseph Root, another cabman, of having forcibly taken from him twenty dollars, which accused declares was justly due him from Root, and which he had despaired of collecting in any other manner. This may be looked upon as an unfair sample of extraction of the square root. Accused was sent before the Criminal Court for trial.

Larceny.—Mr. E. Newheim made a deposition against one Mrs. M. A. Ritter, stating that he had purchased from her some months since a fancy store, at No. 3 Annunciation street, and that after the purchase he permitted her to remain in the store a short time, until she could procure another residence; that after her departure it was ascertained that she had carried away sundry articles of goods belonging to the stock, and previously sold by her to deponent. The case is to be examined on the 6th of March.

Perjury.—Andre Lohaus, a journeyman tailor, was sent before the Criminal Court for trial on a charge of perjury. He had been employed by one E. Shanesky, who keeps a tailoring establishment at 158 Common street, and had brought suit before Justice Jonte for the recovery of a sum which he alleged was due for his services, and had sworn that his employer had never paid him any portion of his wages. Shanesky accordingly brings the charge of perjury, and attempts to prove that he has at different times paid Lohaus money for his work. The accused was not admitted to bail.

RECORDER RAMOS'S COURT—*Second District*. James Mellally was arraigned before this Court yesterday for examination on a charge of having knocked down and severely injured with a brickbat one S. Malone, a roundsman of the Second District. The affair occurred some weeks ago, and Malone has been confined to his room ever since. Accused was required to give $100 security for his appearance before the Criminal Court.

Stripping Her.—Mary Shrodes entered complaint against Jane Ferguson and Josephine Thomas, charging them with having entered her room on Bienville street, and stolen the sum of $25, together with her wearing apparel, leaving her in a pennyless and nude condition, and compelling her to remain confined to her room until she could make shift to provide herself with garments. A warrant was issued for their arrest.

FIRST DISTRICT COURT—*Judge Robertson*.—*Infanticide*.—Catherine Scott was tried yesterday for the murder of her infant child on the 20th of August, 1853, in Frenchmen street, in the Third District. The testimony against accused was very clear, one witness, a German servant girl, swearing positively that she saw her strangling the child a few hours after its birth. The crime was committed to hide her guilt and shame in all probability, as she had up to the time of delivery, denied being *enciente*. The jury rendered a verdict of "Guilty, without capital punishment," and recommended her to the mercy of the court.

FIRE AT PETERSBURGH, VA.—We learn by the Petersburgh Express, that a fire occurred in that city on the night of the 16th, which destroyed property to the value of about $80,000. The fire commenced in the tobacco factory of Messrs Brooks & Williams, which with several adjoining buildings was soon burned to the ground. St. Paul's church, built at a cost of $80,000, was also destroyed. The insurance upon the building was only $6000. The insurance upon the other property was slight.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE CANALS IN NEW YORK.—A special election took place in the State of New York on the 15th, to decide whether the Erie Canal should be enlarged, and the lateral canals be finished. An overwhelming majority in favor of the canals was given.

On the 23d inst. the consolidation of the suburban districts and municipalities of the city and county of Philadelphia, under the centralizing control of one corporation, is to be celebrated.

Two men, hands on the steamer Wm. Garvin, were drowned at Harpeth Shoals, Cumberland river, on the night of the 10th. The boat which they were in, attempting to get the steamboat, which was aground, afloat, was upset by the force of the current.

FROM THE GERMAN OF LESSING.

I asked my fair, one happy day,
What I should call her in my lay;
By what sweet name, from Rome or Greece,
Iphigenia, Clotia, Chloris,
Laura, Lesbia, Delia, Doris,
Dorinne, or Lucrece.

"Ah!" replied my gentle fair,
"I believe that what you name but ARE?
Take thou whatever suits the line:
Clotia, Iphigenia, Chloris,
Laura, Lesbia, Delia, Doris—
But don't forget to call me DIRNE!"

DR. C. P. CRANE respectfully informs the citizens of New Orleans generally, that he has taken Rooms at the ST. LOUIS HOTEL, (Exchange Room, No. 34), where he is prepared to prescribe for all kinds of Diseases of the EYE and EAR, also for any Affection of the Throat, Lungs, and ARTIFICIAL EYES, or Artificial Eyes Inserted. Deafness, Catarrh, Bronchitis, Consumption, Nervous Chronic Dropsy, with all the train of symptoms, Scrofula, and all diseases arising from Impurities of the Blood. Neuralgia, Headaches and pains of every description, with advice, etc. of his Lungs, Throat and Ear, is warranted to do, and will, if desired, wait upon families at their residences.

His method of treatment is by inhalation of Warm Medical Vapors, and is based on recent discoveries in Physiology; is safe, pleasant and without the disgust of nauseous medicines. Dr. C. uses a number of testimonials from highly respectable gentlemen in South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, that he could and would perform all that he promises to do. februy 24 6W

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