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SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1858.

☞ The purser of the steamship Atlantic from Galveston, has our thanks for usual favors.

Christmas.

Once more the greatest of human festivals gladdens the world, and the countless millions rejoice in the heart expansion and geniality of the day.

If any of the Crescent's multitudinous readers expect a sermon-like expatiation or an elongated rhapsody upon Christmas, they are doomed to disappointment. We might fill a column or so on the subject, but it would be useless, for every enlightened being must know what Christmas is, and be capable of exercising his or her fancies and reveries on the subject. The fact that Christmas is now upon us is enough.

The Crescent, acknowledging a full share of the pleasurable feelings of the day—for the Crescent is human as well as its readers—offers to those readers its heartfelt greeting, and a merry Christmas to all; hoping that the re-unions and hilarities of the day, with everybody, everywhere, may be pleasant and happy in proportion to the prosperity with which it pleases Heaven to bless us all at the present time.

Our Christmas Poems and "Pome."

In accordance with our usual Christmas custom, we to-day publish a variety of poetry appropriate to the day—a variety including some of the sublimest poetry extant on the subject of Christmas, as well as some of the most ridiculous. The poetry and "polekry" will be found on our first page, where it appeals for itself to the different tastes, sober and humorous, of our different readers.

"Goon Wine is a good familiar creature, if it be well used; exclaim no more against it," especially at Christmas; Christmas is a jolly time, and every body ought to be happy thereat. If circumstances have involved them in a wrestle with the blue-devils, then let them call in art to aid their natures in the struggle, and thus reinforced they will throttle the azure demons which beset them and war against their peace. Now our thoughtful friend Sewell T. Taylor, of the famous wine and liquor store, Nos. 13 and 15 Royal street, was doubtless fearful that the megrims (which by the way are obnoxiously active in the community, when the terrible "1st" and "4th" of a new year are approaching nearly) might invade the Crescent office on Christmas day, and so he has armed and equipped us with the weapons to overcome and drive them from the field, should they assail us. This armament is a formidable array of bottles—some loaded to the necks with the lively juice of the choicest grape that grows, others with that double-distilled concentration of vinous purity known as "Sazerac," others with the arrack spirit of the Indies, and others still with potent "Scotch," "Irish" and "rye"—the last mellowed by six years calm repose in the dim recesses of the donor's great warehouse. To-day we'll "punch" the blue devils out of doors to seek for other quarters, and pledge his health who furnished the "dreings."

☞ **Louisiana Association of the Veterans** of 1814 and 1815.—At a meeting held this day, agreeably to previous notice, on the 23d of December, 1858, by the Association of the Veterans of 1814 and 1815, in Exchange Alley, No. 40, the following officers were unanimously elected to serve for the year 1859:

President—Mr. Anthony Fernandez.
First Vice-President—Mr. M. Barnett, Sec.
Second Vice-President—Gen. H. W. Palfrey.
Secretary—Mr. Philippe Lamaix.
Treasurer—Mr. F. D. Henry.
Committee—Messrs. A. H. Lamaix, Leon Bernard, Pierre Soulé, Charles Fagot and Wm. Dubuy.

By order of the President,
PHILIPPE LAMAIX, Secretary.
New Orleans, Dec. 23, 1858. 425 2p1t

☞ **What Shall I Give my Wife for a New Year's Present?**—If you wish to make her a present that is useful as well as ornamental, go to the Southern Depot of the GROVER & BAKER SEWING MACHINE COMPANY, No. 11 Camp street, and purchase one of their beautiful RAPHINES, put up in a splendid Rosewood Work-box. These Machines are being introduced into every family where economy is the watchword. All good husbands who will present their wives with one of these beautiful and useful Raphines, will find them a certain preventive against Candle Lectures. 424 2p1al

☞ **New Lusitanos Benevolent Association** of New Orleans.—An extra meeting of this Association will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall, No. 255 Old Levee, between St. Philip and Ursulines streets, on SUNDAY next, 26th inst., at 3½ o'clock P. M., precisely. The members are expected to be punctual.

By order of the President:
424 2p1t ANTHONY SAMBOLA, Sec'y.

☞ **The Great West is the promised land** in the eyes of millions, both in the old world and the new. Its fertile soil and magnificent opportunities for development are the great sources of its attractions. But along its beautiful streams there lurks malaria of most deadly influence, which is the great drawback of that splendid region, and must remain so for many years to come. Emigrants and others who contemplate settlement in that section, will do well to provide themselves with the only cure that has yet been found efficacious, speedy and certain; we mean Dr. J. HOSTETTER'S BITTERS, which has snatched hundreds from an untimely grave. Their operation upon the digestive organs is soon felt to be beneficial, without being wicked.

For sale by druggists and dealers generally, everywhere.
d20 2p6t&1W.

☞ **The best Sewing Machine is the Grover & Baker**—Over twenty thousand Grover & Baker Machines have been sold, and are giving entire satisfaction. The Grover & Baker Machine is the only one which sews from the original spools without rewinding. All other Machines use a shuttle, or, what is more objectionable and complicated, (as in the Shuttle and Wheeler & Wilson Machines), a little spooler. The Grover & Baker Machine finishes its work where it stops, which no other Machine does. There is no occasion to fasten the threads at the end of the seam, as is required by all other Machines. The Grover & Baker stitch has for its recommendations superior strength, elasticity and beauty. The Grover & Baker Machines are the only kind used at the extensive Plantation Clothing Factory of Behrard & Co., on Canal street, and the work done by these Machines is preconized by Planters who have purchased the Clothing to be stronger than any made by hand, and to wear twice as long as any other clothing.

The Southern Depot of the Grover & Baker Sewing Machines is at No. 11 Camp street, nearly opposite the ladies' entrance of the City Hotel, where these celebrated machines can be purchased fully guaranteed, and instructions will be given to all purchasers free of charge. n23 2p6f

☞ **Ladies, are you afflicted with Nervousness**, Dyspepsia, Want of Energy, Weakness, Dizziness, or Sick Headache, read the following:

J. M. Hobblebe, Doylestown, Pa., June 11, says: "My wife has been afflicted with a Nervous Debility since September, 1851; since which time I have been unable to find any physician or medicine that would benefit her in the least, until one day I called at the store of Dr. Harvey, of this town, for some tincture of iron, and described to him the affliction of my wife; he then handed me a lot of papers to read, among which I found one describing Hoofland's German Bitters. I immediately procured a few bottles from him, and am pleased to state that the use of the Bitters has done more good than all the medicine she has heretofore taken, I wish you to send me a half dozen bottles."

These Bitters are sold by druggists and storekeepers in every town and village in the United States, Canadas, West Indies and South America, at 75 cents per bottle.

Principal office, 418 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa.

See that you get Hoofland's German Bitters.

Sold in New Orleans, wholesale and retail, by J. WRIGHT & CO., Nos. 21 and 151 Chartres street. d1 2p1m&W

☞ **Over in Ten Minutes.—Bear in mind that** it is unequalled by unimpeachable proofs that NO CAUSTIC or burning or dyeing substance is contained in CRISTADORO'S HAIR DYE; and no human being can detect the difference between natural colors and those produced by this preparation. Applied in ten minutes, by all Hair Dressers. For sale everywhere.

d9 2p1m&W CRISTADORO, No. 6 Astor House, N. Y.

Treasurer's Report—Relief Committee.

ROOMS YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,
New Orleans, Dec. 22, 1858.

DR.—Cash received as follows:

Contributions, voluntary, to committees, etc., in city	$12,943 00
Contributions, through other associations, and from Friends and citizens	9,637 50
Epidemic contributions, received, 1858	$21,980 50
From Lectures, etc., of Relief Fund, 1857-8, previously	719 98
Total receipts	$22,700 48

CR.—Cash paid out on orders from Com'n, viz:

Apothecaries and Physicians—as we had 60 prescriptions, the pro rata was exceedingly small	$7,843 06
Expenses, including incidental expenses of Infirmaries, Ice, nourishment, etc., for all the patients	2,084 47
Provisions for convalescing sick, employees in Infirmaries, and destitute	3,024 55
Nurses for patients in the Infirmaries, as well as outside, where life depended upon proper attention, being at the rate of say 100 nurses for a full month	5,766 36
Cupping, including Infirmaries	492 50
Cabs, for sending the sick to Infirmaries and to Hospital, etc	383 50
Relief for destitute here, and returning persons to their friends abroad	788 61
Rent, including Infirmaries	260 00
Printing and publishing Acknowledgments, etc	543 50
Furniture, including beds for destitute sick and for Infirmaries	549 00
Epidemic, 1858, Expenditures	$21,355 64
Expenditures of previous Fund, to send young men back home, etc	719 98
Total Expenditures	$22,075 62
Balance in Relief Treasury, with Unscribed Accounts against us amounting to say, $300 to $600, (longwelled for repeatedly	624 86
	$22,700 48

It is but justice to our Committee to remark, that this being our first public effort, we were of course not as fully and systematically organized as might have been wished. Nevertheless, we feel much encouraged at the result of our labors, and have no doubt but that the community here, as well as the public abroad, will appreciate our humble efforts. In entering upon the work of relieving the destitute sick, during the "epidemic," we did nothing more than a Christian duty. We have done our work as faithfully as we knew how, and without partiality. Though using every precaution possible to guard against imposition, we have never, knowingly, when in our power, refused to extend necessary aid to deserving applicants. This has been done, too, without regard to religious preference, or nation, as our statistics will show.

While our statistics are being accurately prepared, lest any should think strange of their not appearing with this, we will state that, in round numbers, 2200 cases were treated by our Committee, of which 2000 were during the epidemic. Of these 1300 were Roman Catholics, 600 Protestants, seven Hebrews, and the remainder, say 150, were either not questioned, or failed to give their religious preferences. Such questions, indeed, were never pressed, and seldom asked at all, and then only as a matter for future reference, until the patient was well cared for, when such information was usually obtained from friends or acquaintances, and not of the sick themselves. The majority of those treated were Irish and Germans; of the Americans, few, except young children, were of our own or neighboring States, few were from the Northern and Western parts of our country.

A full report of the foregoing, with other matters of interest, is now being turned in pamphlet form.

L. ALEX. DUNCAN,
Sec. and Treas. Relief Com.
R. G. LATTING, Ch'n Relief Com., Y. M. C. A. 425 2p1t

Mississippi Central Railroad.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 20, 1858.

The Mississippi Central Railroad Company is desirous of selling three hundred thousand dollars of its first and only mortgage seven per cent. coupon bonds, to enable it to complete the unfinished portions of its road.

The bonds of the Company are secured by a trust mortgage on all of its present and future to be acquired property of every description, including the franchise of the Company. In addition thereto, the Directory, by and with the assent of the stockholders, have set apart forty thousand dollars a year of the annual earnings of the road as a sinking fund for the payment of the bonds at maturity. The aggregate amount of bonds to be issued under the mortgage is limited to $1,250,000, or about $10000 to each mile of road.

The road is 125 miles in length, extending from Canton, the present terminus of New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad, northward, to an intersection with the Memphis and Charleston Road at Grand Junction, Tennessee, where it connects with a line of railway now in operation to Columbus, Kentucky, a point on the Mississippi river, 18 miles below Cairo.

The road will cost, when fully completed and equipped, $25,500,000, or something less than $22,000 per mile. One hundred and twenty-two miles of the road is now in operation. The remaining 60 miles of road-bed is nearly graded, and will be finished by June next, if the pecuniary means of the Company enable them to continue the force now engaged on the work. The bridging is now in process of erection, and contracts have been entered into for all materials necessary for the superstructure, including the iron rails, and will be delivered by the time the grading is completed. Twenty-five miles of the unfinished road track can be laid down by May next, and the whole can be completed by November, 1859, if the Company can command the funds necessary to pay for the work and materials.

The Company has expended $2,630,000 for construction and equipments, and now possesses $270,000 of reliable assets, exclusive of their unsold bonds and the prospective earnings of the road. Seventeen hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars of the amount expended have been derived from subscriptions to the capital stock of the Company by citizens on the line of road, and when their present available assets are realized, the capital will be increased to nearly two million of dollars. In addition to the amount of capital supplied by citizens of Mississippi, they have taken $900,000 of the mortgage bonds of the Company.

It is not now supposed that it will be necessary for the Company to sell all the bonds they are authorized to issue under the first mortgage; but should it be otherwise, the net earnings of the present finished portions of the road more than equal the amount of interest on all the bonds authorized to be issued, and each additional mile of track will increase the revenue, even without a corresponding increase of traffic.

It is certainty of the payment of interest, and the confidence in that payment, that gives value to a public security. Was it otherwise the national debt of England would be worthless.

That the Mississippi Central Railroad Company, after the completion of their road, will derive an income therefrom ample sufficient to provide for the interest on their bonds, for their payment at maturity, and a large dividend to the stockholders is quite certain, if the productiness of the district of country traversed by it, and the amount of population it contains and the present business of the finished portions of the road are a legitimate basis of estimating future local traffic.

It is estimated that the through and local traffic of the road will produce a yearly income of from $1,000,000 to $1,200,000; but should its gross earnings not exceed $600,000, the sum will provide for the expenses of the Company, the interest on all of its Funded Debt, for the payment of the bonds and an eight per cent. dividend on its capital.

The Company are compelled to obtain $300,000 or suspend the work now in progress, and defer its completion to an indefinite period. Thus far the work has been prosecuted by local means. The citizens on its line have paid liberally towards its construction. The road is located in a district purely agricultural. It penetrates no commercial point. Its projectors look to this city as its legitimate terminus. The inhabitants of North Mississippi desire a more speedy means of communication with New Orleans than any that has heretofore existed. Here they desire to sell their productions without the expense of intermediate agents, and here they wish to come to purchase articles on their account or for fancy may require. To accomplish this they have labored for several years, without one dollar of aid from the citizens of New Orleans, the Commercial Emporium of the South. Shall they now appeal to them in vain for the comparatively small sum of $300,000 to complete a railroad by which they have so great an interest as those who have supplied the capital that has been expended?

The completion of the Mississippi Central Road places New Orleans within thirty-six hours' travel of St. Louis, forty-eight hours of Chicago and Cincinnati, and eighty-four hours of New York.

It will have a tendency to invite back to New Orleans, by speedy communication, the trade that has been diverted from the North-Western States into other and unnatural channels by a system of railways, connecting the Upper Mississippi river with the Eastern Atlantic cities.

I have already stated that with $300,000 now placed at the command of the Company, the road can be completed by November, 1859, and without this amount the work must be suspended, and the time of its completion indefinitely postponed.

Shall an appeal to the citizens of New Orleans be made in vain for an amount so small, that if obtained, will when expended, connect this city by railway with all the Northern and Eastern States, and by the increased business it will produce amply repay, in a short time, a much larger sum than is now required to accomplish an object so desirable to all?

To the stockholders in the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company the completion of the Mississippi Central Road is an important matter, as it will unquestionably throw upon it an amount of traffic that may render its stock the most valuable of any in the South-Western States.

I ask of the citizens of New Orleans a serious consideration of the facts to which allusion is herein made, and remain their Obedient servant,

W. GOODMAN,
President Mississippi Central R. R. Co.
d25 2p1t

☞ **Weed's Patent Sewing Machine.**—We have been often asked which is the best Sewing Machine in use, and to satisfy ourselves have spent some time in examining them all, and now give our opinion to our readers for their benefit.

We purchased one of the above named Machines, and have tried it on every kind of work required in a family, and it gives the best satisfaction, doing its work very rapidly, neatly, and stronger than the usual hand work. It is much harder to rip work done on this Machine than that done in the ordinary way. It is neat and tasty, being very nicely finished, and to all appearance simple, beyond the possibility of getting out of repair by ordinary use. It is very strong and durable, and we are well assured one of them will not wear out in years of constant use. It has already saved tailors' and dressmakers' bills enough in our family to pay its cost, and we think it a very profitable investment, to say nothing of its convenience and the pleasure of using it. We understand that the Company intend to have a Depot in this city, and we think it a very profitable investment, to say nothing of its convenience and the pleasure of using it. We understand that the Company intend to have a Depot in this city, and we think it will be well for those who intend purchasing to wait for it.

M. S. HEDRICK, Agent,
d6 2p3m&W 28 Camp street.

Het Hollandsch Bitter.

We have received another certificate out of Grand Rapids, Michigan, dated 16th June, 1858.

PETER DANE, a Hollander, desires us to publish in the "Nieuwsbode," that the Holland Bitters entirely cured him of Indigestion, Fever and Debility, with which he suffered all the spring. Peter Dane is grateful to the proprietors of this great remedy, and takes this way of recommending it to his countrymen.

J. QUINTUS,
Ed. Sheboygan Nieuwsbode, Sheboygan, Wis.

For sale in New Orleans, wholesale and retail, by
J. WRIGHT & CO.,
21 and 151 Chartres street.
General Agents.
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Christmas and New Years!

WARREN & HALL,

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

WINES, LIQUORS, CIGARS,

—And—

TOBACCO!

84.....COMMON STREET.....84

NEW ORLEANS,

HAVE NOW ON HAND, and are constantly receiving, a large assortment of—

WINES,
LIQUORS,
CIGARS, and
TOBACCO,

Which they offer to the trade in large and small quantities. They would invite the attention of Merchants and Planters generally to their stock, believing it EQUAL, if not SUPERIOR, to any in the market, consisting in part of the following:

BRANDIES.

VERY OLD AND SUPERIOR.

In Wood, from.....$4 to $15 per gallon.
In Glass, from.....$6 to $36 per dozen.

—Of ALL the—

Better Qualities and Brands,

Which they invite special attention to, believing confidently that they have the

OLDEST AND BEST BRANDS

In New Orleans.

CHAMPAGNES.

WIDOW CLIQUOT CHAMPAGNE,
MUMM'S CORDON ROUGE,
CREME DE BOUZY,
PIPER HEIDSIECK,
BOUCHE PILS CABINET—In Half pints.
LONGWORTH'S CHAMPAGNE, etc.

CIGARS,

TOBACCO, and

PIPES,

OF ALL KINDS AND QUALITIES.

FORTY DIFFERENT BRANDS OF CIGARS—Of one new Importation, and will be in constant receipt of them, direct from Havana, in qualities to suit the most fastidious.

EXTRA FINE CHEWING TOBACCO—In small, desirable packages of five and ten pounds.

ANDERSON'S SOLACE, AND GOODWIN'S NEW YORK YELLOW BANK FINE CUT.

A large assortment of FANCY PIPES—German and English, etc., etc.

Madeira.

In Wood and Glass—a variety of well-known brands—among them Palmer's Old Reserve, 1830.

Sherries,

In Wood and Glass—Duff Gordon's, different grades; Harmony, Crystal Palace, London Dock, etc., etc.

Ports,

In Wood and Glass—Burmester & Co.'s Page's London Dock, Burgundy, Pure Juice, etc., etc.

Ale and Porter.

London, Scotch and India—quarts and pints.

Whiskies.

Fine Old Scotch and Irish Whiskies—Bourbon, Rye, etc.

Burgundy Wines.

Nuits, Chambertin, Beaune, etc.

Claret,

Sauterne, and

White Wines,

OF DIFFERENT GRADES AND PRICES.

Snuffs,

IN BLADDERS AND GLASS.

Pipes, etc.

The Proprietors of this

MAMMOTH EMPORIUM

—OF—

WINES,
LIQUORS,
CIGARS,
PIPES, etc.,

Believing that they can sell

AS CHEAP,

If not CHEAPER, than any other Establishment in the City having Imported nearly all their Goods ask the public to give them a call.

Planters,

Clubs,

Coffee-Houses,

Hotels, and others,

Are invited to call and examine their stock.

WARREN & HALL,
d22 2p6t No. 84 Common street.

Singer's SEWING MACHINES.

Twelve months since reliable certificates were published of the UNIVERSAL SUCCESS —OF— SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES.

Five years in Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes, and also in New Orleans, and no other certificates of the success of Sewing Machines in Louisiana have been published. Of over 500 that have been sold in this region during the last twelve months, the undersigned is not aware that one is out of repair, and most of them were warranted for three years.

A still greater evidence of their superiority is the fact that their sale to the clothing factories in New York, and in the Eastern States, is rapidly increasing. It is now almost universally acknowledged by those engaged in the manufacture of clothing, that SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES surpass all others in durability and strength, also in the excellence and beauty of their stitch, which is more uniformly the same on both sides of the fabric than that made by any other Machine.

In order to counteract the influence of the universal success of Singer's Sewing Machines, great efforts were made in 1857, and also recently, by the agents of the Wheeler & Wilson Machines, to mislead and deceive the community by publishing statements that "they have obtained all the premiums wherever their Machines have been exhibited in competition with Singer's and all others."

In the fall of 1857 the first premium was awarded to the Singer Machine at the Connecticut State Agricultural Society, where the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine is made.

The first premium was also awarded to Singer's Sewing Machine at the Fair in St. Louis in September, 1857, a correct account of which is given below. Such extraordinary exertions and sacrifices were never made before by the Wheeler & Wilson agents to obtain a premium in the United States.

At the late Fair in Memphis, Tenn., the first premium was awarded to Singer's Machine, and a premium of $10 in cash was given to Mrs. F. M. Cash, for the finest specimen of sewing—a muslin dress—made on Singer's Machine.

The following FIRST PREMIUMS (Gold and Silver Medals) are on exhibition at the office of the undersigned, 323 Camp st.:

The First Premium of the "Exposition Universelle" in Paris, of all the principal Sewing Machines in Europe and America.

The First Premium (Gold Medal) of the American Institute in New York; also two other premiums from the American Institute.

The First Premium of the Franklin Mechanics' Institute in Pennsylvania.

The First Premium of the Mechanics' Institute in Cincinnati.

The First Premium of the Maryland Institute for the Promotion of the Mechanical Arts.

The First Premium of the Connecticut State Agricultural Society.

Mention is not made of these Medals as any evidence of the superiority of Singer's Sewing Machines, but to prevent the public being humbugged by the statements of the agents of the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine.

As the persons who are appointed committees to decide concerning the relative merits of Sewing Machines, in most instances know nothing of the practical working of the machines, no reliance can be placed on their judgment, and no satisfactory information can be obtained concerning Sewing Machines except from those who have used them. For this reason, I. M. SINGER & CO., having established the reputation of their Sewing Machines above all others throughout the civilized world, have not recently contended for the premium at any Fair, but have their authorized their agents to do so, but in a few instances the agents have exhibited the machines and have generally been successful. At several Fairs at which the agents of Wheeler & Wilson boast of taking the premium, the Singer Machine was not represented.

We learn from reliable authority that the Wheeler & Wilson agent obtained the premium at the late Fair in St. Louis in the following manner:

By means known only to himself or his friends, a Silver Pitcher was purchased, worth seventy-five dollars. An arrangement was made by the agents of different Sewing Machines that each should be equally concerned in the Committee, so that there should be no owners of Sewing Machines on the Committee. By some species of intrigue, the W. & W. agent succeeded in getting a committee appointed composed almost entirely of owners of the Wheeler & Wilson Machine. In less than two hours after the Fair opened, and before there had been any examination of the different kinds of Sewing Machines, or even a meeting of the Committee, three ladies, owners of the W. & W. Machines, fitted the "Blue Ribbon" to that Machine, thus, as is correctly reported, giving their Agent his own Silver Pitcher.

The Agent has never dared to boast in the St. Louis papers of taking this premium, lest the circumstances above related should appear against him.

Another system of humbugging extensively practiced, is to publish the opinion of newspaper editors, who, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, know nothing of the merits or demerits of Sewing Machines. It has been proved, in most instances, that the job of a Sewing Machine has been followed by a decided preference of the kind of Sewing Machine received. So extensively has this gift operation been practiced in the Northern and Eastern States, that steps have been taken to ascertain whether or not there is an editor of a religious journal there who has not received or had the offer of a Wheeler & Wilson, or a Grover & Baker Sewing Machine as a gift. If there is one who has been overlooked in this grand gift scheme, it is hoped that he will make a public avowal of the fact.

The folly of these efforts to deceive the public is shown by the rapid increase in the sale of the Singer Machine.

The undersigned has found it necessary to rent the whole building, at 323 Camp street, and has fitted it up in beautiful style, as it takes pleasure in exhibiting his Sewing Machines to all, whether they wish to purchase or not.

Of the forty kinds of inferior Sewing Machines, a few have been tried in this community, and of these the public need no caution, but in order to introduce others it has been deemed necessary to enlarge the letters on the sign and to place in the window and door more extensively. The prices of

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES

have been GREATLY REDUCED, and they now are sold in New York as follows:

The Family Machine	$65
The No. 1 Machine, with iron stand	110
The No. 2 Machine, with iron stand	125

They are sold in New Orleans at the same price, with the addition of the freight and insurance.

Guides, Hemmers,

and all the improvements can now be attached to the Machines already sold; also, Covers for the wheels.

To the Fair in St. Louis* the Agents all went,
The Premium to gain their only intent;
There was Grover & Baker, with ridge on one side,
And Wheeler & Wilson, and Singer, all vied;
But Wheeler & Wilson, to carry the day,
Erected a building to make a display;
Too spacious by much was of octagon form,
With curtains and cords, and panels adorned,
Full five hundred dollars the cost must have been
Of this splendid pavilion the freedom to win;
With samples arranged in most beautiful style,
They hoisted incessant their drum, all the while,
But alas! their expenses, alas! their chagrin,
The PREMIUM was given to SINGER'S MACHINE.

*In September, 1857.

WALTER BENNETT, Agent,
d25 2p1m 38 Camp street.

No. 36 Magazine Street,

NEW ORLEANS.

OPENING OF THE WINTER FASHIONS!!!

HAVE ARRIVED—NOW READY—FOR SALE,

ALL THE NEW STYLES,

AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL!

City and Country Trade supplied.

THE WINTER STYLE—FINE BELDEN, Silk and Cassimere—Fashionable.
THE BEAUTIFUL NIAGARA HAT—In Grey, Brown and Black—Glazed Top, Silk, Plush and Velvet.
THE LATEST OUT—THE PICCOLOMINI HAT—In Fine Velvet, Plush, Cloth, Beaver, Fur, etc.
STIFF BRIMS—THE "DOUGLAS" STYLE—Brown Fur, Black Beaver, Drab Cassimere and Pearl Stiff.
EXTRA SMOKE, "CABLE" BANDS—THE CABLE HAT—The Army and the Mississippi HAT.
Men's Cloth, Plush and Glazed CAPS—Cotton and Silk; the Trade supplied.
Boys' and Men's NAVY CAP and COVER.
UMBRELLAS of every grade and price.
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