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New Orleans, December 11, 1858.

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New Orleans, December 20, 1858. d22 tf

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Because it is the ornament God himself provided for all our race. Reader, although the rose may bloom over so brightly in the glowing cheek, the eye be ever so sparkling, the teeth be thice of pearls, if the head is bereft of its covering, or the hair has started dead, shriveled, harsh and dry, or worse still, if sprinkled with gray, nature will lose more than half her charms. Prof. Wood's Hair Restorative, if used two or three times a week, will restore and permanently secure to all such an ornament. Read the following and judge. The writer of the first is the celebrated Pianist, Thalberg:

NEW YORK, April 19, 1858.

DR. WOOD—Dear Sir: Permit me to express to you the obligations I am under for the entire restoration of my hair to its original color; about the time of my arrival in the United States it was rapidly becoming gray, but upon the application of your "Hair Restorative" it soon recovered its original hue. I consider your Restorative a very wonderful invention, quite efficacious as well as agreeable.

I am, dear sir, yours truly,
S. THALBERG.

"BRICH A'N GWYLIKYDDYC."

Welsh Newspaper office, 13 Nassau st., April 17, 1858.

PROF. O. J. WOOD—Dear Sir: Some month or six weeks ago I received a bottle of your Hair Restorative and gave it my wife, who concluded to try it on her hair, little thinking at the time that it would restore the gray hair to its original color, but to her as well as my surprise, after a few weeks' trial it has performed that wonderful effect by turning all the gray hairs to a dark brown, at the same time beautifying and improving the hair. I strongly recommend the above Restorative to all persons in want of such a change of their hair.

CHARLES GATHREY.

NEW YORK, July 25, 1857.

PROF. O. J. WOOD: With confidence do I recommend your Hair Restorative as being the most efficacious article I ever saw. Since using your Hair Restorative my hair and whiskers, which were almost white, have gradually grown dark; and I now feel confident that a few more applications will restore them to their natural color. It also has relieved me of all dandruff and unpleasant itching, so common among persons who perspire freely.

J. G. KILBY.

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J. D. HOBS.

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AMUSEMENTS.

PLACIDE'S VARIETIES—GRAVIER STREET.

Stage Manager.....Mr. JOHN SEFTON.
Treasurer.....Mr. WARREN.

TENTH WEEK OF THE STAR COMPANY.

THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 10, 1859.

Commences with the comedy of THE COUNTRY SQUIRE—Squire Broadland, Mark Smith; Horace, George Jordan; Sparrow, A. H. Davenport; Boozer, Mr. Briggs; Bobby, Mrs. Mark Smith; Fanny, Miss Susan Denin; Temperance, Mrs. John Sefton; Alice, Miss Lonsdale.....SKIPPING-SOPS FAS DE TROIS, by the Misses A. and H. Gale and Jackson.....Concludes with the comedy of SECRETS WORTH KNOWING—Mr. Greville, W. H. Briggs; Egerton, A. H. Davenport; Nicholas Rue, John E. Owens; April, Mark Smith; Undermine, G. Plunkett; Pistlecrs, John Sefton; Rostr m, George Jordan; Mrs. Greville, Mrs. Charles Boyce; Rose Sydney, Miss Susan Denin; Sally Downright, Mrs. John Sefton.

☞ In rehearsal—The great piece of "Rochester."

☞ Friday, Feb. 11—Benefit of John Owens.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

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☞ The Box Office open for securing Dress Circle, Parquette Chairs and Private Boxes, from 9 to 5 o'clock, daily.

☞ Doors open at half-past 6 o'clock—Performance to commence at 7. fe10

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JOHN OWENS' BENEFIT.

Friday Evening, February 11, 1859.

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The farce of
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Museum.....25 "
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Acting Manager.....H. CORBY.

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THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 10, 1859.

Second night of the great pantomime, THE GREEN MONSTER—Gabriel Ravel as the White Knight; Francois Ravel as Harlequin.....Second night of the new Ballet of ACALISTA, in which Vera Maitesa, Mons. Maithen and the whole Ballet Troupe will appear.....Marietta Zanfretta and other great Artists on the TIGHT ROPE.

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First night of Clapisson's new opera, in 3 acts, LA FANCONNETTE—Mlle A. Cordier.

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DRAMATIC, POETICAL AND MASONIC READINGS.

Miss ROSINE BRIDGES will give her fourth and last Dramatic, Poetical and Masonic Reading, in the MASONIC HALL, St. Charles street, on SATURDAY EVENING, February 12, 1859, at 8 o'clock.

☞ Tickets can be had at the offices of the St. Louis and St. Charles Hotels, at the Book Stores of Steel, Metternich and Norman, and at the Grand Secretary's office, Masonic Hall. Price, 50 cents. fe4 td

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d3 3m PROFESSOR LOUIS DUFAU.

REMOVAL—C. H. SLOCOMB & CO. have removed from 11 Chartres street to their New Store, 67 Canal street and 50, 52, 54, 56 and 58 Common street. ia18 tf

AMUSEMENTS.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL—CAMP STREET.

GRAND FANCY DRESS AND MASK BALLS,
To be given by the
Benevolent Association of the Sons of La.

A Series of THREE BALLS will be given as follows:

First Ball.....WEDNESDAY EVENING, Feb. 16, 1859.
Second Ball.....TUESDAY EVENING, March 1, 1859.
Third Ball.....SATURDAY EVENING, March 19, 1859.

COMMITTEE:

S. P. DeLabarre, S. E. Cossé,
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A. Cluppard, G. S. Fagot,
A. Delpeuch, L. J. Courtault,
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Joseph Gros, M. C. Bisso,
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P. B. Bolfontaine.

The above Committee will meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at the Perfect Union Hall, on Rampart street, from 8 to 9 o'clock P. M.

☞ Application for Ladies' Invitations may be made to any member of the above committee.

☞ No lady shall be admitted without a ticket of invitation approved by the committee.

☞ Gentlemen's Tickets, price $3, may be obtained from the members of the committee. fe2 1m19

ODD FELLOWS' HALL—YOUNG MEN'S SOCIETY, MASK AND FANCY DRESS BALLS.

A series of FOUR BALLS will take place on the following nights:

First of the series, Friday, 21st January, 1859.
Second " " 4th February, 1859.
Third " " 18th February, 1859.
Fourth " Tuesday, Mardi—Gras, 8th March.

Gentlemen wishing to subscribe to these Balls will apply to the Secretary, at the office of the Hall Room. Entrance on Camp street.

Applications for ladies' tickets of invitation to be made to the Secretary, with their names and residences.

The Board of Managers will meet every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, at the office of the Hall Room.

No lady will be admitted without an invitation ticket having been approved by the Board of Managers.

All masked persons will be required to unmask before entering the Ball Room.

No ladies' invitations will be issued after the last meeting of the Managers, which will be on the night previous to each Ball.

☞ Positively no Subscriber's Tickets can be procured on the night of the Balls. ja11 1m8

CONTINENTAL GUARDS' ANNIVERSARY BALL.

A Military, Mask, and Fancy Dress Ball

Will be given at ODD FELLOWS' HALL, on TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 22, 1859, under the direction of the following

MANAGERS:

Capt. Sam'l M. Todd, Henry Bier,
Lieut. George Clark, F. Forshee,
Lieut. F. A. Lumsden, A. Bonnaud,
Sergt. W. F. Hotchkiss, D. I. Rizzolo, Esq.
Sergt. George Graham, H. Bidwell, Esq.
Sergt. Sam'l G. Rix, Gardner Smith, Esq.,
Corporal E. Cox, J. J. Waters, Esq.,
Corporal Chas. W. Gould, A. Montross, Esq.,
John H. Leafe, George Purvis, Esq.,
F. X. Barbot, J. O. Nixon, Esq.,
John McDonnell, Thos. Hanson, Esq.,
J. L. Warner, A. B. Segur, Esq.,
A. W. Merriam,

☞ Gentlemen desirous of subscribing, or procuring invitations for ladies, will leave their names with the Secretary, at the Ball Room office, Odd Fellows' Hall, to be acted upon by the Invitation Committee. fe8

GRAND DRESS BALL, TO BE GIVEN
—For the—
BENEFIT OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS,
By Foyer Maconnique Lodge No. 44,
Under the Jurisdiction of the GRAND LODGE of the State of Louisiana, at the
ODD FELLOWS' HALL,
On Friday Evening, Feb. 25, 1859.

MANAGERS:

Joseph Sanlini, J. A. Hildreth, Rod. Wocste,
A. Fitzet, Jr. A. R. Morel, Ad. Meyer,
Ovide DeBuys, Ch. Claiborne, M. Fahrenhack,
A. Schreiber, Dr. Hardy, Frederic Bier,
D. Augustin, Louis Pideyt, J. M. Hernandez,
Sam. M. Todd, T. C. Herndon, John M. Stella,
Geo. R. Seaman, John Pemberton, Joseph Lizzio,
Seth Field, A. F. Valle, W. H. Sheppard,
Sam. G. Rix, G. Capella, John L. Moeller,
J. T. Watts, John B. Leafe, Paul Zorn,
C. M. Emerson, Henry Bier, Joseph Magner,
Dr. Adler

Floor Managers—Jos. Yeager, Alex. Oberseidl.

☞ Applications for Ladies' Invitations may be made to the Secretary, at Odd Fellows' Hall, where, also, Gentlemen's Tickets may be had. Price, $3. fe4 td

GRAND FANCY DRESS AND MASQUERADE BALL, to be given by
Washington Fire Company No. 20,
For the Benefit of its Relief Fund,
AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL, ON SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 26, 1859.

—Managers—

John F. Gruber, E. P. Kerschbis,
D. Riordury, H. McNeil,
J. O'Keefe, F. J. Ames,
J. Leidner, A. Mondelli,
L. F. Bakewell, George Geier,
X. Meurer, F. Thomann,
B. Fountain, J. B. Junck,
B. Lane, C. Madden,
F. Berger, J. Shambuck,
L. Power, J. Kons,
J. Didisi, James Delamore,
C. Frey, A. Lipscomb,
A. Dugremont, C. Kuykendall.

—Floor Managers—

A. L. Plattsmier, H. L. Zebal,
S. F. Klobter, A. Woods,
Paul Bandoro, F. C. Carey.

☞ Applications for ladies' tickets must be made to JAMES BRIGGS, office of the Firemen's Charitable Association; A. L. PLATTSMIER, 48 Poydras street; L. E. ZEBAL, 32 Camp st.; and A. B. CLARK, Liberty street cor. Clio. ja17 td

FANCY DRESS, MASKED
—And—
REGALIA BALL.

The First Annual Ball of
Delta Lodge, No. 15, I. O. O. F.,
—Will be given—
ON MONDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 28, 1859, AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL.

MANAGERS.

P. G. M. J. Reigart, P. G. Jos. Bensadon,
" J. S. Sloan, " P. K. Strong,
" L. Holmes, " W. M. Kendall,
" A. W. Macdonell, " P. G. Collins,
" A. McDougal, " T. W. Bothie,
" H. W. Gregory, " J. S. Simonds.
C. C. Bier, Ed Blakesly, S. R. Jones,
P. Gillen, A. Parle, W. H. Schroder,
T. Hodgins, J. A. McClarty, A. O. Jackson,
G. Beaver, Dr. J. N. Newell, S. Burchfield,
A. Weyrauger, J. F. A. Hoyle, J. Magnin,
W. C. Nash, G. Wiggs, M. M. Reynolds,
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COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

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The Committee on Ladies' Invitations will meet every Tuesday and Friday evening, until the night of the ball.

Gentlemen's Tickets can be had from any of the above Managers or Committee of Arrangements. Price $2 50.

Applications for Ladies' Invitations can be had of Arch the Secretary, at the office of Leather Dressers, No. 3 Bank Place, or at Box No. 275 Mechanics' and Dealers' Exchange, No. 19 St. Charles street, or with any member of the committee.

Positively no lady will be admitted without an invitation signed by the committee.

No invitations will be issued after Friday, the 25th inst.

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M'LLE DEBAR'S DANCING ACADEMY, 253 Baronne street, between Hand and Julia streets.

The Ladies of New Orleans are respectfully informed that the above Academy will open on WEDNESDAY, November 24, where all the Fashionable Dances will be taught.

Ladies—Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 10½ to 12½, and 4½ to 6½.

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Private Lessons—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 10½ to 2½.

☞ Terms—Ladies, $10 per month; Children, $6, payable in advance. Two lessons a week.

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A. GHERARDI'S DANCING ACADEMY—At Eagle Hall, corner of Peytonia and Felicity Road.

Prof. A. Gherardi most respectfully announces to his friends and the public that his Dancing Academy will be open for the season, at Eagle Hall, on TUESDAY, the 1st of November, when he trusts to meet with the same liberal patronage as before.

Days of Tuition for Children—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 4 to 6 o'clock P. M.

Children's Class at Masonic Hall, St. Charles street, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 4 to 6 o'clock P. M.

Gentlemen's Class—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 7 to 10 o'clock P. M.

Private lessons for Ladies and Gentlemen, from 10 in the morning till 1 P. M. every day.

For terms, apply to Prof. Gherardi, at Eagle Hall, or Masonic Hall, the days of tuition. d14 2m

J. VEGAS' DANCING ACADEMY, AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL.

PROF. J. VEGAS most respectfully announces to his friends and the public in general, that his Dancing Academy will be open for the season at Odd Fellows' Hall, on the 15th of November, where he trusts to meet with the same liberal patronage as before.

Days of Tuition for Children—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 4 to 6 o'clock P. M.

Gentlemen's Class—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 7 to 10 o'clock P. M.

Ladies' Class—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 10 until 11 o'clock A. M.

Practising Parties for Ladies and Gentlemen every Wednesday.

The popular Children's Fancy Balls will be given as before, once every month.

For terms, apply to Prof. Vegas, Odd Fellows' Hall, or at Mr. L. Gabet's Music Store, No. 81 Canal street. n10

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THE PARAGUAY EXPEDITION.

If we can believe the statements of certain Buenos Ayrean correspondents of papers in New York and Philadelphia, we may expect to hear stirring news shortly from the warlike expedition which our present Administration, with extraordinary good sense and resolution, sent into the Southern hemisphere to humiliate or chastise the dictator of Paraguay. Of the justness of our complaints against Paraguay we have never entertained a doubt since we became acquainted with the facts of the maltreatment of American citizens in that country and the attack upon the Water Witch. We cannot be accused of any intense admiration of Mr. Buchanan and his Cabinet, but they have our unqualified thanks for this movement, however badly it may have been organized and whatever good or evil fortune may attend it.

The letters to which we have alluded state that President Lopez has made the most elaborate defensive preparations, that the reading of the Senate report and the accounts of fitting out the expedition worked him into a very terrible and dangerously permanent fit of anger, and that, notwithstanding his notoriously timid and vacillating character, he has determined to resist the claims of the American Government and fight, if necessary, to the death, or to his own overthrow. It is said that a few leagues above the confluence of the Parana and Paraguay rivers Lopez has a range of breastwork batteries along the shore of a narrow part of the latter stream for something more than a mile, and, of course, bearing upon the channel for some distance above and below, while it is supposed that he has planted guns at various other points along the shores of that picturesque water course, with the benevolent intention of blowing the American squadron into "kingdom come."

We do not question that a *bona fide* correspondent of a Black Republican newspaper may be an exceedingly veracious person, but then many Black Republican and other newspapers publish foreign correspondence of home manufacture, and many papers of strong anti-Administration tendencies have not only disapproved the Paraguay expedition, but have exhibited a rather unseemly desire for its defeat, for the reason, perhaps, that the Administration might suffer a very unpleasant discomfiture thereby. Believing, as we have already remarked, the quarrel with Paraguay a just one on our part, we must be excused from fraternizing with the enemy; we cannot sympathize with any passion or prejudice that demands the defeat of our countrymen, unless it should be for the purpose of teaching them a salutary lesson in regard to the necessity of being properly prepared at all times for armed conflict with other nations. Nor do we believe—notwithstanding the stories that make Paraguay so formidable an antagonist, and notwithstanding the potent fact that the ponderous armada we have sent against her with such fearful note of preparation was rather a shabby affair after all—that the sixteen or eighteen ships composing the expedition will be reduced to smaller splinters than their officers and crews can conveniently bring back into North American ports. Should Lopez actually show fight they may have a tedious task of bringing him to terms, but we shall be slow to believe in the possibility that a few thousand untutored and uncivilized savages can altogether beat off a force that required the united wisdom and labor of the powers at Washington six months or more to equip and organize.

TALK ON 'CHANGE.

The weather was rather too cool and chilly yesterday for the usual out-door gatherings. There was, however, some action in cotton, and larger sales were made than for many days past, details of which will be found under the usual head. The receipts continue on a liberal scale, as will be seen by reference to our marine list. But there is so much Inferior and Ordinary cotton composing a large share of the stock on hand, that apprehensions are entertained that it cannot be sold at any price, while the value of Clear and Good cottons is likely to be well maintained. The levee is filled with produce. Some fears are entertained that the water in Red river may recede so as to interrupt communication, and restrict the receipts of cotton from that section. There was an active business going on through the Custom-House. There is a good deal of talk of the detention of vessels at the Balize, but many of medium size are working inward and outward. For the information of the shippers by the bark Hale, we have to state that the Captain has sent a dispatch from the Balize, stating that he never refused to pay for hawsers, meaning towing lines. He offered to let the Towboats use their own, and to make them a present of fifty dollars if they would take him to the bar. We cannot enumerate any more complaints against the monopolists—suffice they are numerous. The monopolists, however, have been aided by captains of vessels themselves. For instance, opposition boats have been put in the towing trade, with high promises of patronage, but generally without sufficient pecuniary means to compete with the several associations. A reduction in rates is immediately determined on, and carried into effect. Captains and owners looking to a few dollars saved, will higgle and contend for a reduction, forcing any opposition boat or boats desirous of business to do it at less than living rates; the monopolists knowing well they can always secure a vessel by reducing the fees from five to twenty dollars. Of course, this meets the views of higglers, and oppositionists have to succumb, and are either driven off, bought off, or swallowed up in some way. This has been the case for years past. The last attempt of a real opposition was, a Mobile Company last spring sent two or three boats over here to aid the shipping interest, but this Company was forced to retire. Some two or three years ago the Eastern shipowners had a meeting in Boston to consider on building of two or more boats for the towing of vessels in the Mississippi river, but the movement never amounted to anything. If shipowners and captains desire to bring the rates of towing down to a reasonable price or equivalent to other commercial pursuits, they must take a different method to attain the object. For instance, they must build two or three boats expressly for the business, not go to the levee and purchase condemned river boats, (infernal machines, they may be termed,) the boilers of which will explode on becoming encrusted with a little salt. After the boats are built, a capital or means must be made up to the amount of at least forty thousand dollars to lead off. Establish the fees of tonnage at what may be deemed a fair interest (8 per cent.) on the investment, keeping an eye to the $40,000 capital extra. Presuming a new Company will lose money, this capital must be held in reserve to meet losses. The monopolists, it is presumed, will lose likewise. But by the time the new Company has run out or lost the reser