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Hon. Senator Pugh, Judge Nelson, of the U. S. Supreme Court; J. Sayre, Esq., Editor of the Argus, Philadelphia; Calvin Tomkins, Esq., Tremont House, St. Louis; T. H. Tower, Esq., President of the Board of Health, Philadelphia; L. B. Nevin, President of the Bank of Commerce, New Orleans; Rear Admiral Lavallette, U. S. Navy. Also, letters from Professors Monkton and Winchester, of Baltimore; Hon. J. C. Sidney, Philadelphia; H. W. Smith, editor of the Patriot, Nashville, Tenn.; J. H. Fitzgibbon, Photographist, St. Louis.

Dr. M. further begs to buy the two following letters, from gentlemen well known in this city, and throughout the State, that have been sent to him with a request to put his the same for the benefit of others who may need Dr. M.'s services:

LETTER FROM CAPT. T. P. LEATHERS
Of the Natchez:

New Orleans, Dec. 9, 1859.

To Dr. Von Moschzisker:

Dear Sir—You operated on my ears and treated my deaf for an affection of the eyes, in 1858. We have both experienced marked benefit, and I cheerfully take pleasure in recommending you as Oculist and Aurist to those who may need your service.

T. P. LEATHERS.

FROM JOHN L. CASSADAY, ESQ.

New Orleans, Dec. 10, 1859.

In 1858, Dr. Von Moschzisker operated on my ear. I had lost the hearing of the left ear entirely; in addition to the inconvenience of deafness there was an almost unremitting unpleasant sensation of singing in the ear. I am much gratified in being able to say that for a short time he enabled me to hear very distinctly, and the disagreeable sensation in the ear, which was so annoying, appears to be entirely removed. I therefore hesitate not to recommend him strongly to all afflicted with deafness.

JOHN L. CASSADAY.

N. B.—Persons will bring the full benefit of Dr. M.'s treatment, either with Eye or Ear, should apply early. Physicians are always welcome to visit his operations. d14 1pifaW

New Orleans Daily Crescent.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1859.

TALK ON 'CHANGE.

Yesterday was, as regards the weather, one of those wishy-washy days characteristic of our climate; that is, it was all sorts—warm, cold, rain, drizzling, and so on. At times the movements on Carondelet street and environs seemed to indicate that there were some transactions astir. Indicating was about as near as transactions reached. The sales of cotton were meager, very meager; not exceeding three thousand bales. The regulations adopted by a large majority of buyers went into effect yesterday. Factors did not accede to the terms of the compact; and under rather distressing accounts from Liverpool, there was no inclination evinced on the part of buyers to move, even under the compact. The difficulties in negotiating exchange, unless at a very great reduction in rates, interposed against large sales. To these may be added the large receipts and the daily accumulation of stock. The talk was, that the factors do not accede to the resolutions and terms of buyers.

The further talk was, that there is great delay, almost ruinous detention to some parties, in the moving and transporting of cotton from the presses to the vessels; that some presses are overrun, overcrowded with demands and orders for the direct or immediate shipment of cotton; that captains and agents who are under engagements at a $d. are restive and impatient at the delay, which is increasing from day to day. In fact, cotton is piling up at the presses to an inordinate extent, causing confusion, vexation and complaints to buyers, shippers, agents, stevedores and all. We have talked of the great accumulation of cotton into some presses and warehouses, while others have comparatively very little to do. It is, moreover, talked of, that there is a great want of laborers, even at $2 00 to $2 50 per day, to expedite business. That there is not sufficient working force in the city to keep up with the demands of business; and yet we daily read of laborers and mechanics in Northern and Western States starving for want of employment.

There was some talk of the Tehuantepec Company, and the delay in providing means for the payment of employés. The last advices from the Isthmus and Minatitlan are very unfavorable. We learn that there are not a dozen white men on the route; that all the effects, say lands, tenements, notes and what-not, have been sold under judicial action of Mexico. Moreover, the loss of the company's steamer Sachli would seem to confirm the belief that the tale is told. In fact, there is nothing available on the Isthmus belonging to the company. The further talk was, that the privileges and franchises can be saved by immediate movement on the part of the creditors of the association and others interested. But whether stockholders will advance two dollars to have the privilege of saving one hundred cents, is a question we will leave to those more versed in mathematics and bonds than ourselves to answer.

The receipts of cotton at this port have been on a large scale since last Saturday morning, greatly in excess for any three days on record. The steamer Magnolia, from Vicksburg, brought in six thousand three hundred and eighty-six bales, the largest load on record, being eight hundred bales above any load brought heretofore by other boats. The Captain has not communicated on 'Change how many more such loads he expects to bring to market this season. The Yazoo river and tributaries are rising, and we shall have, in all probability, the effects and benefit thereof before a long space of time intervenes. It will also be observed that Arkansas river has risen, so as to admit large loads of cotton from Fort Smith. The accounts from Red river are contradictory. It is, however, demonstrated that a rise above Shreveport has taken place, which will, it is hoped, allow the one hundred thousand bales of cotton above the raft to come to market. It is talked of, that there are crops of 1857 waiting to be forwarded to market.

The Northern mails failed yesterday. It does not make much difference whether they come three or four times per week, as all hopes of any regularity in the mail service are abandoned. The general telegraphic advices received by the North American of the 7th inst., from Liverpool, at Portland, though talked of yesterday, were not deemed of any essential importance. The difference between buyers and sellers of cotton have to be settled before any large transactions in the staple can be consummated.

Arrivals at the Hotels Yesterday.

ST CHARLES HOTEL—F Poe, San Francisco; A F Miller, H C Wilcox and lady, W Holdson, J W Reid, S P White, W H Mead, R P Fuller, W H Draper, J Simms, O P Coleman, Chas Morgan and lady, C Davis, O H Davis, F D Mason, H C Spear and lady, N Y; T D Porter, Phila; Major Mac Dean, Col A C Scott, Wilmington, J Jackson, W L Hope, W Anderson, T L Morrow, Col Shepard, Col Crockett, Mrs A Shepard, H Hicks and lady and daughter, Alex McCaine, C Allen, C R Adcroft, W Commissioner and lady, J York, D P Lawrence, C Davis, C Crosby, A McMillan, F S Gibson, Texas; T D Mc Ans, H W Simpson, Kyle; Clarke, J J Rooney, W A Patrick and lady, Hummer; S Noble, J Ingraham, M R McMorris, M F Wade, C W Ord, J V West, H Connell, J F Connell, E T Rose, J C Smith, Geo Brandon, R L Brandon, J T Moss and lady, Laughlin, Mobile; W H Hinchley, Miss Hinchley, Miss Ashford, Miss Cook, W Page and lady, Miss Page, Miss Page, and wife, T J Weir, J Gilbert, H N Gil, W T Pilkey, G M T H McMurray, Dr Mc Intosh, M H Dennis and lady, Dr Allen, H B Connell, H C W Parker, L A Shields, M A McIlvoy and lady, A Cribbs, P Rickey, Lac N H Parnde, H. W. K Hewes, A Mackler, Jackson, Miss Cook, W Cook, Miss H Mc Mc Mc Mc Miss H J Thomas, A W Burgess, St Louis; Bill Sojourner, Kingston; C Blackburn, C W Smith and lady, S C; Dr Nat Cochran, Gen Thos ex, Vet Cpt Hodges, E A S N S W Parker, J R Hinson, J S Bailey, Pla.

CITY HOTEL—E Wheeler, F Spofford, B Lowe, P McAlpin, J Heath, N Phillips, J Scott, N Y; A I Fleming, Phila; W Collins, E Sadler, S J Buck, T B Macauley, G T Merle, L J Coney, A Cook, F Cooper, R H Hickson, H W Pace, C Goodwin, L Cavon, M Beaver and lady, Miss Beaver, Miss D Morris, Jas Nevins, J Newman, J M H Powell, Mrs Green, B L Quant, J M West, J J Wolford, A Rickow, W P Anderson, Wm Lambert, A Duval, E W Hunt, son, Miss A Hunt, Miss A Rosseau, Ky; J J Bowdell, J Harvey, J S Rice, La; J S Walker, Ga; W T Coyle; G T Taylor, Wilmington; F Taylor, T J Gaither, Wilmington; J Scrutton, La; C J Fuller, Tex; H W Peck, S C; A W Jones of H Birler, Ala; J Welch, city; Miss A Prather, E Bonwright, J N Smith, W Lellefier, J A Ferguson, J Platt, D C S Mignon, W C Wade, son, M A Wade, J C Wade, P C Bard, H H A Roberts and wife, W W Rutland, A M Williams, W F Jacks on, P H B, La; A Kendall and family, Miss F Hoe, Miss M Robinson, Miss Mary McCook, W Tagart, J F Saunder, J C Stanley, G R Bair, J D Bair, H W Pace, A B Robinson, A R Hoch, C Pinland, Miss Miss Oliver & servt, F B Brown, J H Carr, J C H H H Dickson, M W Ia, Fla; S P Watson and son, R C Rives, N Y; W Ware, Va; J A Dunlap, Ga; W K Anderson, La; Chas Andrews and daughter, Charleston and lady, S H Wright, C W Jones, T McMillan and lady, Edgecombe, N C; Miss Lady, Fla; S S Sudre, M H Jones, Ala; J McDowell, W H Spann, city; J Sweeney, H Fitzhugh, Miss Fitzhugh, Miss Robinson, Miss Rosseau, T Thomson, F M Noble, T J Colin, La; E Harris, Columbus; J J Lind, Miss J Mangham, J Beckham, J W Rose, Ga; A W Blackwell, P K Mc Cord, S C.

CITY HOTEL—Miss Mary Kirk and servant, Tennessee; H Burge, Independence; E Bertrame, G Foster, Phila; H Ar d, T O Wilson and wife, Tex; Mrs M W Jenkins, Bolt; D M Neal, Tenn; J Hodges, Ala; Miss Hodges, Ala; Mrs Hodges, N C; J Lind, Phila; J Wilson, Ala; J Forstemann, Ky; J Clemmons, Mobile; A W Forstemann, E S Hoorsman, P Clemence, H T Wells, N Y; R Semple, wife and servant, R P Pierce and lady, Miss Pierce, Miss Lewis, A J Brown, Miss C E Chapman, R C Dunbar, Miss; T A Mathews and wife, Ky; B W Baker, Ga.

OTHERANS HOTEL—H Mooyer, Ala; T C Raby, La; A Strauss, H Michael, Wm Bogle, H M Leon, Cin; A Cepandich, Mexico; A Hill, Galveston; Chas Bean, Finmore; A Rosenbaum, H Lund, Ark; L Pace and lady, Mr Wood and lady, Mr Pyeo and lady, M Nutt, Austria.

"CARD PLAYING."—Under this most attractive heading card-players, and sufficiently those who have watched the game of "cards" published and played by the agents of the different sewing machines on the marble-table known as the selling pages of the newspaper press, will find amusing food. Alfred Monroe & Co. at work, "seven hearts" and Fitch & Lyons as trumps. Without betting on a "march," they think they can outgeneral with several "tricks" on each "hand" without being "confused," and will let their choice cards being "shuffled" if the public be permitted to judge upon the "points" of the game. Take a private look at the "hand" of A. Monroe & Co. in our columns this morning, and should you fear to trump it, we'll trust you that they will, and that it is their "card" first "to take it up," and if it is not, they "cutter" it up" and "spoil alone" anyhow, with Fitch & Lyons as trumps.

THE CHARLES FARRE CHAMPAGNE.—The wines of the celebrated house of Charles Farre, successor to Mars Sarazine & Co., should take the name of Cosmopolitan; for they are A No. 1, not only in the courts and other precincts of high life in Europe, but in all other parts of the world where commerce and good livers abide, and particularly in America. Immense quantities of the Charles Farre champagne are received in New Orleans, for distribution and universal consumption, through the well known importing house of S. D. Giraldas & Co., No. 29 Commercial street. We direct attention to an advertisement on the subject of the Charles Farre champagne, in another column.

Later from Havana.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP HABANA.

The steamship Habana, Capt. McConnell, from Havana, arrived at her wharf at an early hour yesterday morning.

The Habana left Havana on the afternoon of the 15th, and experienced very rough and boisterous weather on her passage.

The purser of the Habana, Mr. Knox Morrison, furnishes the following interesting memoranda:

The Habana left New Orleans at 8 o'clock A. M. on the 8th, and arrived at Havana at 2½ P. M. on the 10th inst. The steamship Yorktown, Cooper, from New York, arrived at Havana on the 12th. The De Soto, Capt. Bulloch, arrived on the 15th inst., in 17½ hours from New Orleans, and sailed again on the same afternoon for New York. Arrived Sunday, new screw steamship Mayse, from Philadelphia, built for the Spanish Government. Sailed on the 10th, steamship Daniel Webster, at 4 P. M., for Aspinwall, and steamship Granada, for New Orleans; also British mail steamship Trent, for St. Thomas and Southampton, on the 12th; Spanish mail steamship Europa, for Cadiz; on the 13th, Spanish mail steamship Francisco de Borja, for Cadiz; having on board Gen. Concha, ex-Governor of Cuba, and suite. She was escorted two or three miles outside the harbor by a fleet of steamers and row-boats. The port and buildings adjacent to the wharf were gaily decorated with flags; in fact, all Havana was out for a holiday. General Serano, the present Governor, received "Concha" on the wharf, and there took leave of him. The Francisco de Borja was accompanied outside by the following steamers: Cuba, Habana, Mexico, India, Alencerdures, Cardena, Carolina, Guanabacoa, Jogheltier, with numerous other small crafts. When three miles distant from the harbor, the Francisco de Borja hove to and exchanged signals with the Captain-General in his palace. The steamers then made a crescent around the vessel, waving their "adios," which was gracefully acknowledged by the "Marquis de la Habana," from the poop of the steamer. When rounding to, the Habana saluted the Francisco de Borja with two guns, the only powder burnt on the occasion. It was a demonstration purely on the part of the people, and did not partake of an official character. Every thing passed off quietly, all the vessels coming in without accident. All the vessels comprising the escort were crowded with passengers, and each carried a band of music.

BALLS OF THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE SONS OF LOUISIANA.—The terpsichorean festivities of the season, now about setting in, promise to be unusually lively and brilliant. The programmes of the military and civic anniversary balls are plentiful enough; so are those of the society balls; and the multitudes of ladies and gentlemen, lasses and youths, who delight in the galeties of the ballroom, will have scope and verge enough this winter.

In the catalogue of balls at present before the public, none give greater promise of a crash of fashion, gaiety, gallantry and Creole beauty, than those of the Benevolent Association of the Sons of Louisiana. Four are announced; the first to take place on the 5th proximo; the second on the 21st; the third on the 4th February; and the fourth on the 18th February—all at Odd Fellows' Hall.

The weight and standing of the Sons of Louisiana, as a benevolent society, and of its different members as gentlemen and citizens, is too extensively known to render it necessary for us to speak at length on their behalf. Since their organization, their own good works have been their best eulogy. Their practical benevolence has been liberal and hearty—their gaiety refined, elegant and delightful. It may, therefore, be set down as certain, that the announcement, by such a society, of a series of balls for benevolent purposes, will be responded to by the public in the most cordial and liberal manner.

It will be seen, by reference to the programme, published in this morning's Crescent, that the management of these balls is composed mostly of the oldest and best known and esteemed of our Creole citizens; gentlemen whose names, aside from their connection with the society, are ample guaranty that the balls will be unsurpassed in all that depends on their management, and in the fashion and brilliance of their visiting multitudes.

Gentlemen, wishing invitations for ladies, can procure them upon application to any of the members of the invitation committee, who meet on Monday and Friday evenings at Odd Fellows' Hall.

DAILY PRAYER MEETINGS.—Union prayer meetings are to be held daily, from this day, at the new rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 82 Camp street. The hour will be from 12 to 1 o'clock each day. We direct attention to the advertisement notice in another column.

JAYNE HALL.—To-night will terminate the Fair at Masonic Hall. We have not been able to learn, as yet, how far the "babies" have been successful; but we trust we are living in a locality and epoch where and when no such appeal as the present one of the good sisters is ever made in vain.

INTERESTING TO HOUSEKEEPERS.—All who may stand in need of fancy or plain household furniture, or other movable articles, are recommended to call at the warehouse of Messrs. P. H. Fall & Marsh, at Nos. 62 and 64 Gravier street, near Camp. Their assortment of furniture is by everything suited to parlor, chamber and kitchen, and in all articles from the richest to the plainest. A great variety is offered in the full series of fancy chairs, for dining, dessert and tea, and for parlor a single at $15. This is cheap enough; every thing can be just as cheap, necessary, to be equally. See the advertisement.

PUGHISM.—A tremendous assortment of machines for boring, opening, ripping, splitting, and all sorts of cutting and excoriating, and hard earth searchers, in which so much trades plot and peels and their hopes, is now offering by Slack, Shaffer & Co., No. 71 Canal street. The variety is great and the quantity inexhaustible. Those who dabble in politics and know what abuse are, will bear in mind it at Slack, Shaffer & Co. are who agree to the plaudits of Cultom & Melamalus. Weather the mutinous prisoners and other tillers of the soil to the other Gleaners of Slack, Shaffer Co., in this morning's Crescent.

NO SMOKER EVER COMMITS SUICIDE.—This has been asserted by high medical authority. Good. A man may insure his life against the contingencies of disease, accident, or conflagration or disorder. Good. But the insurance offices would pay upon suicide, or the spiritual return for death. True. Therefore, the only Resistance against suicide is to be a smoker. Possible, if not probable. It therefore believers all who love life and fear suicide to smoke, and to smoke only the best smokeable. Fact. No regular customer, wholesale or retail, of Jose Dorringe, has ever been known to commit suicide or die any other premature death. Indisputable. Therefore, again, Jose Dorringe will do his duty, and his cigars will do smoke. His cigars are the best manufactured in Cuba, and his connoisseurs are the connoisseurs of America. See Dorringe's cigars and smoke in our advertising columns.

THE CANAL STREET FAMILIA GROCERY.—Messrs. J. F. Northgraves & Co., No. 182 Canal street, corner of Dryades, deal in groceries and wines of groceries. Every one will be others know that Christmas will be here in a few days, and if in that inclusionable, rampitous, and hearty living neighborhood, they should be called upon and found wanting, in quantity, quality, variety, or moderate of terms, they will fully conclude that they have boarded in the wrong submarine, and will mention of and emigrate. There lies in that of supplying families, not only for all the year round, but for Christmas and all the other jolly holidays. See advertisement.

J. L. CARMAN, AUCTIONEER, sells at auction this day, at 11 o'clock, A. M. at Carman's Real Estate and Stock Exchange, No. 161 Gravier street, a large invoice of silver and plated ware, from the plainest to the most richly chased; also several invoices of Bohemian glassware, table cutlery, fine French and English tea and dinner sets, rich English fine cut glassware, in enamled, ruby, amber and crystal; rosewood writing desks and ladies work boxes, etc.; to which the attention of the public is respectfully solicited.

MARBLE, GLASS AND SILVER PLATED WARE.—Persons desirous of obtaining any of the thousand and one articles specified under the above heading, would do well to attend McCormen, Lansley & Co's sale this morning. Ladies attending will find every thing arranged for their convenience.

THE ATTENTION of our readers is specially directed to the extensive credit sale of one hundred and twelve choice plantation hands, to be sold this day at 12 o'clock, at the City Hotel. Too for may be fully inspected at the office of the auctioneer, No. 87 Magazine street, up to the hour of sale.

TELEGRAPHED TO THE NEW ORLEANS CRESCENT.

ONE DAY LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE NORTH AMERICAN.

[BY THE NATIONAL AND AMERICAN LINES.]

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—The steamship North American arrived at this port last night. She left Liverpool on Wednesday, the 7th inst., and touched at Queenstown on Thursday, the 8th, and brings one day's later advices by telegraph from Liverpool and London than were received by the Vanderbilt at New York.

Advices from Turin state that crowds of Jesuits are seeking refuge in Sardinia, on account of the suppression of their order by the provincial Government of the Romagna.

Count Mercier has been appointed Ambassador of the French Government at Washington, in place of Count Sartiges, who has been appointed to the Ambassadorship at Holland.

The ship Neptune, from New Orleans, was run into at the mouth of the Mersey by a steamer.

The amount of damage sustained by the ship is unknown.

Moody, the mate of the American ship Mary, has been condemned to penal servitude for life, for the murder of a sailor at sea.

One hundred thousand pounds sterling of gold has been recovered from the wreck of the Royal Charter.

The Emperor Napoleon, having received a public letter from Messrs. Swlan, Mellotzy & Co., Blackwell, England, respecting the fears entertained in England of an invasion by France, the Private Secretary of the Emperor replies in the name of the Emperor Napoleon, assuring them that the Emperor has no other than peaceful intentions towards England.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8.—the sales to-day amount to 6000 bales. The sales for the past two days foot up 14,000 bales, of which speculators and exporters took 2000 bales.

The market generally closed with a declining tendency, notwithstanding the improved demand.

Some authorities report a decline of ⅛ on the America's quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The funds maintain a firm tone with an upward tendency. A further advance of ⅛ is reported.

Consols for money closed at 97 7/16@97¾.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8. The Liverpool Breadstuff market closed quiet but steady at previous quotations.

The Provision market is generally unchanged.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 7.—Richardson, Spence & Co. report Flour closed dull, prices being easier, but quotations unchanged. Wheat closed dull, and nominally unchanged. Indian Corn closed steady, generally at previous prices. Yellow Corn is quoted at 30s. 6d.@32s. ⅌ quarter. Rosin closed steady. Turpentine steady at 34s. Rice quiet. Sugar closed steady. Coffee dull and unchanged. Pork closed dull. Bacon dull. Lard dull.

The London money market is generally unchanged. Money was in good demand at previous rates.

FURTHER BY THE NORTH AMERICAN.

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—An expeditionary force left Bratasia on the 22d of October for the purpose of attacking Bornlo. It is feared that the natives will rise and endeavor to repulse the Europeans, but the latter being well armed are ready to oppose all attacks.

Great excitement prevailed among the inhabitants, because many of them were placed on board vessels as coolies in consequence of their connection with the conspiracy at Dunda to murder the Europeans, which was, however, detected by the authorities.

A letter from Naples, dated the 3d, says that the director of the Sicilian police was stabbed in the streets of that city. The wound inflicted was not mortal. Fears were entertained that an insurrection would follow, but tranquility was soon restored.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The Bourse was unusually animated to-day. The three per cent. rentes are quoted at 71f. 35 centimes.

Clare & Son say that although there has been more demand for Cotton, the prevailing of the market is spiritless. Consumers buy sparingly, importers are willing to sell freely, especially of the new crop of American, with the exception of Mobile, which is scarce. All qualities declined.

LONDON, Dec. 8th.—The funds closed very buoyant; all description of securities have an upward tendency.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—Bank rates have been considerably advanced.

Funds are less active, but steady. Three Per Cent. Rentes closed at 69f. 35 centimes.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

Congressional Proceedings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Senate to-day elected Mr. Fitzpatrick President pro tem. of the Senate, in place of Vice President Breckinridge, who was absent.

In the House to-day, Mr. Gilmer, in replying to insinuations made against him concerning Helper's book, indignantly denied his having any knowledge concerning it.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—In the Senate to-day, Mr. Mason's Harper's Ferry Committee was authorized to employ the services of a clerk for their investigation.

Mr. Pugh made an effort to call the resolution that a committee on territories be requested to inquire into the expediency of repealing the clause in the act of organization of the Territories of Utah and New Mexico, which requires their territorial laws to be submitted to Congress for approval or rejection. Hale, of New Hampshire, said that legislative business could not proceed before the organization of the House had been completed. Pugh then rose to a point of order, and in the course of his remarks, defended Northern Democracy from the censures bestowed upon them by Senator Iverson a few days since.

In the House, after a sharp discussion between Singleton and Hickman, the House proceeded to the eleventh ballot for Speaker, which resulted as follows: Sherman 112, Bocock 85, Boteler 21, scattering 12. Bocock then withdrew.

The House then proceeded to the twelfth ballot, as follows: Sherman 112, Boteler 29, Bocock 19, Miles Taylor 12, Phelps 14—the remainder were scattering. Thirteenth ballot: Boteler 31, Taylor 7, Sherman 110—rest scattering. Necessary to a choice, 114.

The House then adjourned.

Latest Mails for Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec, 18.—The latest New Orleans mails received for the steamer which sailed last Saturday are those of the 10th. The latest telegraphic dispatches are those of the 15th.

Mails of the America.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Southern mails by the steamship America left this morning by the first trains.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

The circulars of Messrs. James Hewitt & Co. say that the cotton market closed easy at last week's quotations. All the grades below Middling were entirely neglected, and the imports during the past week amounted to 33,000 bales. The quantity of cotton now at sea is 172,000 bales, against 53,000 bales same date last year.

Messrs. Richardson, Spence & Co., in their circulars, report Middling Orleans and Mobiles unchanged. Middling Uplands declined ⅛ and are quoted at 6 11-16d.

Messrs. Steiterfoth & Co. say that holders are pressing on the market and that the prices are somewhat irregular, Cotton declined 1-16 to ⅛. They quote Middling Orleans at 7 5-16d. Middling Mobile at 7 13-16d., and Middling Uplands at 6 11-16d.

Domestic Markets.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—Money Market closed decidedly more stringent. Hogs are quoted at 5c. per lb. Western Mess Pork is quoted at $16 25c. Holders are asking $17. Flour closed dull; the sales to-day consisted of 700 bbls., at $5 30 to $5 40 per bbl. Sugar closed firm, at 8¼ to 9c. Molasses is quoted at 47c. per gallon. Coffee closed steady and unchanged. Corn is quoted at 50c. per bushel.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Cotton closed quiet at easier prices; the sales amounted to 1000 bales. Middling Uplands closed at 11⅛ to 11¼c. Flour closed dull; the sales amounted to 7000 bbls.; it is quoted at $4 35 to $5 05. Corn closed with a declining tendency; the sales foot up 14,000 bushels; New White is quoted at 90 to 93c. Sugar closed firm at 6¾ to 8c. Molasses is quoted at 51c.

River Intelligence.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 19.—The Ohio river, at this point, is rising slowly, with scant 8½ feet of water in the canal.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—The river, at this point, is lower than it has ever been since the past twenty years. It is rising slowly, with 3 feet 8 inches of water to Cairo.

VICKSBURG, Dec. 19.—The steamer Baltic passed down at 2 o'clock this evening.

A Duel in Prospect.

Under date of the 13th, the Washington correspondent of the N. Y. Herald writes:

The letter published in the Constitution this morning, signed by Senator Johnson, of Arkansas, denouncing Col. Hindman, member of the House from Arkansas, has excited the friends of those gentlemen to an unusual degree, as the principals are well known to be men of genuine and not sham chivalry. Senator Johnson is expected here every train, and upon his arrival it is understood that Col. Hindman will challenge him. Annexed is the letter of Col. Johnson, to which allusion is made above:

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