Letter from General Sherman.

The Memphis Commercial publishes the following extract from a private letter addressed by Gen. Sherman to a friend in Naples, Italy:

There were several citizens of the Louisiana delegation to see if some reason cannot be found for the unprecedented delay, attributing to me any Secretarial appointment as Superintendent of the State Seminary in 1860. I was a Lieutenant Colonel, a member of a new army when Gen. Scott, then a Major in the Adjutant General's office, on duty near the Secretary of War, Governor Floyd, sent me the invitations for general officers of Louisiana to attend Lincoln's inauguration. I had received from Gen. D. Mason Graham, I applied and was appointed just as you were at the same time.

Beauregard had no agency in the matter at all, and Bragg, who was my friend, had no knowledge that I was an applicant, for he told me that, because of the fact, he had recommended Jenkins for the same office. I am under no personal obligations to either Bragg or Beauregard in the matter, though both were most friendly to me all the time I was in Louisiana, but not in a way to lay me under obligations to anybody that could qualify my allegiance. I was hired by a contract, earned my pay, and resigned it.

Again, he idea is given out that I left Louisiana pledged now to take service against the South. That you know is absurd. At that day no one at the South expected war; but I always told you and others that war was the inevitable result of secession. In my last interview with Bragg at the hotel in New Orleans, I may have said that I did not go North to seek military service, which was true; for I came here to St. Louis, and corresponded with you from here. Even our Northern papers mistake my position. I refused to enter the volunteer force, first called out by Lincoln—the 75,000 call—because I considered that the rebellion was bound to involve the whole South, and would be handled only by vast armies, and those of regulars. I urged an army so large as to make your rebellion ridiculous.

But events have ordered otherwise, and thank God, it is over. I think such a thing will never be dreamed of again. I wish you all well; I wish the South well, and if I have been a scourge, think now much better that it was than Beh Butler, or some other of that school.

Present me kindly to your associates, and write me fully and frankly as of old.

Your friend, W. T. SHERMAN.

Louisiana Intelligence.

St. Martin.—The planters of the parish of St. Martin were to hold a meeting on the 8th, to "concert measures for the organization of labor."

Outrage.—Somebody has committed a "dastardly outrage" on the editor of the Winnsborough Herald, by throwing a beef bone through the window and hitting him on the head.

Shreveport.—The Southwestern, of the 3d, reports light receipts of cotton. Price, 27 cents in specie.

They are talking about establishing an insurance company and a national bank at Shreveport.

Alexandria.—H. S. Losee has been elected mayor of Alexandria. The river, which rose eight feet, has commenced falling. Weather clear and cool. So says the Democrat of the 10th.

Baton Rouge.—The large family dwelling house of the late Gen. Joseph Bernard, two miles east of Baton Rouge, was totally consumed by fire on Saturday night last, together with nearly all the furniture and clothing.

Heavy Rain.—The Bienville Messenger complains of a rain there that was so heavy that it actually kept the ladies from running about town.

Somewhat Sudden.—The Bienville Messenger relates the following incident:

Our friend, Toby Toppleton, crossing a bayou the other day after the recent rains, found the bridge gone, and the angry waters dashing furiously by. A convenient log just below the ford suggested a happy thought. There was no use in taking a ducking when he could walk over on the log; so he did, and led his horse over by the side of it. So down he got, shouldered his saddle, and other traps, and proceeded cautiously over. But to his astonishment, the water reached only to his horse's knees.

East Feliciana.—The Clinton Democrat says:

The behavior of our freed population during the holidays, was quite exemplary. No single case of disturbance has come to our knowledge. This was owing in a great measure to the vigilant patrols kept by the militia throughout the parish.

Referring to gentle labor for the year's crop, the Democrat says:

Our planters, from what we can learn are making but clear progress in securing labor for the present year. In many instances, negroes have staid with their former owners, impressing them with the belief that they would remain and work as usual, but at the close of the year, without a minutes warning, have left in a body, not even a single house servant remaining. The great idea is change, thinking that there is some good or benefit to be obtained under new employers, which they cannot receive under the old. This renders the procuration of labor difficult and uncertain. Another drawback is the want of an agent of the Freedmen's Bureau to furnish the necessary blanks for contracts, and attend to the other regulations laid down in Gen. Baird's circular.

The Clinton Patriot, a weekly paper, published before the war, is to be revived by Messrs. E. J. Pullen & Co.

The Democrat calls out for the speedy "reconstruction" of the Clinton and Port Hudson railroad.

St. Mary.—We take the following paragraphs from the Planters' Banner:

The town election last Monday, in this place, resulted in the election of A. L. Tonnelier for mayor. Aldermen, J. A. Foterman, A. Delahoussaye, Benj. Johnson, Wilson McHavell, A. Gates, Sr., Michael B. Gordy was elected constable.

Our parish is quiet since the holidays, and most people seem anxious to do something for themselves. Many of the negroes have made contracts, others still wait for "something to turn up."

There is some talk of a few strangers purchasing places in different parts of the parish. Upon the whole, prospects look much better than they did two months ago.

Mrs. Howard Bark.—There is not an old player in New Orleans but will be delighted to learn that an opportunity will be presented on Monday and Tuesday next of seeing that universal favorite Mrs. Charles Howard, now Mrs. Harry Watkins, again on the boards. With Mr. Watkins and Miss Carlotta Shaw, a talented pianist, she will appear in a very unique entertainment at Odd Fellows' Hall, and we look for a crowded house to greet the return of this estimable lady and accomplished actress.

List of passengers per steamship Austin from Indianola via Galveston:

Mr Worten and family, Misses Arnold, Mrs H Hughes, Roy W M Baker and family, Mrs Lancaster and daughter, Mrs Chandler, H Hendale and wife, Miss Rondin, Dr Smiley, N A Thurmond, C O'Connell, A C Reynolds, N Greer, Henry Stanley, G P Jameson, Searcy Striker, Robinson, Cunningar, Thomson, Pritchell, Warrack, Dolf Gerdon, Arnold, F K Hand, W A Ryan, Bissenstein, Dr Fite, O S N, Ford, O S N 2d, Jones, R W Owen, Shackelford, Price, J D Harris, and 10 on deck.

Arrival of the Creole.—The steamship Creole, Captain Anderson, from New York December 30th, via Havana 8th inst., with a full cargo of assorted merchandise, arrived at her wharf at Post 38, Fourth District, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

The Creole crossed the bar at Southwest Pass at noon on the 10th inst., and arrived off the Battle Ground Flats (below the city) at 7:15 A. M., yesterday, where she remained at anchor until after daylight, and arrived at her wharf as stated above.

The following named persons came passengers on the Creole:

A G Grant, A Flower, Mme Kuntz and two children, L Ingold, G Couvreux and lady, Geo Troland, J S De Pass, H Wiles and lady, Benj Miller, J Turnbull, James Masterson, S F Perdieu, J Shiles, Dan W Lonc, Arthur Sayers, M J Farrell, S Simmons and lady, Miss Mary Skinner, Miss Minnie, Pete the Head, A Ahuja, Grand Seo Gen Mejer, J H Gonzales, Rodolf Le Seaux, Engineer, J S Backer, E Monahan, John Boles, J W Barnes, W S Drew, H S Marshall and lady, Jos Rivas, C O Fredrahe and servant, G E Bruce, Henry Jasper, G Smith, Pedro Van Colen, A Dear, J S Clarke agent steamship line, P S McAdowell lady, and 18 in steerage.

To Wholesale Grocers.—Tobacconists and commission merchants in the city wishing to purchase from first hands, and at low prices, manufactured and smoking tobacco, would do well to call on Messrs. Sutherlin, Warren & Co., Nos. 105 and 107 Gravier street. They have the largest and most complete stock. See their advertisement.

Taxes.—The New York Tribune, (says a contemporary,) is occasionally truthful, occasionally, for instance:

We have had a horrible civil war, but we have fought it out, and there is the end of it. To persist in hating and insulting each other because of this bygone quarrel, is not the way of brave men, but of cowards.

"Nobody ever lost anything by love," said a sage looking person. "That is not true," said a young lady who heard the remark, "for I once lost three nights' sleep."

New Orleans Mail Boat.—By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen, this new boat, the Nicholas Longworth, has been put in the Opelousas trade, and in her engagements for transportation will include Bayou D'Arbonne and Bayou Bartholomew. The Longworth is a new and finely equipped boat, and travelers on the Ouachita will be delighted to learn that she is commanded by by that old time favorite, Captain John W. Tobin, who, throughout North Louisiana, has been celebrated for his luxurious fare, his attention to passengers, and his strict carefulness. Mr. G. Press Work, the clerk, may not be so generally known in that region, but as soon as known will become a favorite also.

Grand Dress Ball of Louisiana Lodge.—We acknowledge the compliment of tickets of invitation to the grand dress and Masonic regalia ball to be given by Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1, at Masonic Hall, next Thursday evening. This is going to be one of the most brilliant balls of the season, and the devotees of the dance may prepare themselves accordingly.

Hall of Independence Lodge.—We return our thanks to the managers for tickets of invitation to the Ball of Independence Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F. to be given at Odd Fellows' Hall to-night for the benefit of the widows and orphans in charge of the Lodge. This is to be a Grand Fancy Dress Ball, and the names of the managers insure that it will be in every respect a success.

Red Jacket Bitters.—Attention is directed to the advertisement of Messrs. Gray & Norris, announcing an adequate supply on hand now of these bitters, to meet the great and growing demand for them. A list of wholesale grocers and druggists from whom country dealers can procure supplies of the article will also be found advertised in our columns.

Clothing and Furnishing Goods.—Are you about to get married and want a wedding suit; do you want a business suit to save that suit; do you want suits to suit all sorts of weather; or, are you going to a more suitable climate than this, you can suit yourself in clothes, in trunks and everything of that kind suitable for a gentleman, or a traveler, at Garthwaite, Lewis & Stuart's, 51 and 53 Camp street, and whether you want to buy wholesale or retail, you can be suited in that also.

A Card.

Steamer Idaho, Mississippi River, Jan. 11, 1866.

At a meeting of the passengers of the New Orleans and Ouachita packet Idaho, on a recent trip, Capt. John R. Fellows in the chair, the following resolutions, presented by a committee of three, were unanimously adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That our thanks are due, and are hereby cordially extended, to the officers and crew of the steamer Idaho, for the very agreeable and expeditious trip that we have enjoyed from Ouachita to New Orleans.

Resolved, That as no boat in the Ouachita trade can for days be more pleasantly passed than on the Idaho, and that from the cuisine down to the "cook's mate's" satisfactory charges for the latter could be made. The boat is sound to the core, and the officers each as all true Southern men delight to do honor to, and travel with, and we cordially recommend her to the patronage of travelers and shippers.

Resolved, That these proceedings be published in the New Orleans Crescent and Ouachita Eagle.

J. R. FELLOWS, Chairman.

T. C. Pace, Secretary.
Chas A. Slaght, M. D.
Wm. H. Norris,
Jas. W. Todd,
F. G. Reger,
Frank O. Harrison,
H. W. Myer,
S. Levy,
Col. A. G. Mitchell,
C. S. Bell,
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GARTHWAITE, LEWIS & STUART,
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To the City Trade.

The undersigned take this method of returning their thanks to their friends for the patronage they have displayed during the unusual delays in the supply of the

Red Jacket Bitters.

For the first time since their introduction into this city, we are enabled to announce a supply sufficient to meet the demand. We can now pledge ourselves to fill promptly all orders for the BITTERS. In another column we give a list of some of the leading houses who have steadily succeeded the BITTERS, and from whom our country friends can get their supplies of RED JACKET on the same terms as from us.

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In order to make room for our Spring importations, we will sell, on and after the 8th instant, the balance of our Fall and Winter stock at very reduced prices.

We invite our friends and the public to give us a call and see for themselves.

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" SIGNAL " "
" CAR " "
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Dealers in Paints, Oils, etc.

A Card.

It is well known to the citizens of New Orleans that during my absence my Church, St. Luke's, was totally destroyed by fire. It is of the utmost importance that this great loss should be repaired as soon as possible. To rebuild this Church will require much effort and liberality on the part of its friends. It is earnestly hoped that our generous community will liberally and promptly respond to this appeal of this noble object.

Subscriptions for this purpose will be taken by the undersigned, or may be left at the Savings Bank, on Canal street.

C. S. BINDER, Rector St. Luke's Church, N. O.

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Every ingredient contained in the article, and everything used in the putting up of these Bitters ARE PRODUCED ON SOUTHERN SOIL, and contain no injurious property.

For sale to dealers and merchants only, at

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Manufacturers and Sole Proprietors.

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BARNETT & LION take this seasonable opportunity of thanking their numerous friends for the liberal increase in their business during the year, and inform them that, although the manufacture of the GREY JACKET BITTERS must necessarily cause an additional tax on their energies, yet those large additions in the improvements made and making in the manufacturing department of the establishment, their orders will be filled as promptly and they hope as satisfactorily as usual.

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A. D. Orloff,
J. H. Carter,
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J. M. Stone & Co.,
Barnes, Ward & Co.,
Messrs. Schmidt & Zeigler,
Griffin & Porch,
Fatjo, Marks & Co.,
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TRIMMINGS, SPOOL COTTON,
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