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THE OFFICERS OF THE STEAMER GULFMAN will accept our thanks for late Viceburg papers.

THE MAYORALTY.—Mr. Monroe yesterday was to be found in the mayor's office discharging the functions of chief magistrate of the city.

DEATH OF GOVERNOR ALLEN.—The following dispatch was received by us from Quantico last evening: "The Hon. Gen. Wm. Allen died at Quantico, Va., on the 13th inst. at 10 o'clock P.M."

A LEGAL DONATION.—The Crescent Benevolent Association has received the handsome sum of three hundred dollars—the proceeds of their delightful May ball—in the name of the Home for the Aged and Infirm in this city.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.—Gold advanced fully 1/2 cent yesterday, owing to a heavy upward movement in the New York market.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.—The movement in sterling and francs since our last, though not very heavy, exhibited a material increase on previous operations.

DOMESTIC EXCHANGE.—There is no quotable alteration of any kind to notice under this head. Out-door offerings have been little better than nominal, and the demand for remittance purchases was very heavy.

RAILROADS AND SECURITIES.—There has been no movement worthy of special notice in the former since our last, but we have to report a fair amount of business at very fair prices in the latter.

WESTERN PRODUCE AND FLOUR.—Corn has advanced 1/2 cent yesterday, owing to a heavy upward movement in the New York market.

REMARKS.—Our files of Mexican papers, which we received yesterday, comprised little or no intelligence of general interest, beyond the continuation of the report of Gen. Allen's death.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The new company at the Academy gave a series of their quality last night in legitimate drama.

THE VARIETIES.—"Romance and Juliet" was the play at the Varieties last night. But one character was well impersonated, and that was Juliet.

THE OLYMPIAN.—"A Sheep in Wolf's Clothing" the performance of which, by the Olympic company, we have already noticed, will be repeated this evening, together with the comedietta of "A Top of the Top."

ISSUES ARISING OF LOUISIANA.—We invite the attention of those interested in the advertisement of this institution, which appears in another column, to the fact that no more female pauper patients can be received at present, on account of want of further accommodations.

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GOVERNOR ALLEN IS DEAD. Henry Watkins Allen, late Confederate Governor of Louisiana, died in the city of Mexico, on the 23d of April last, after a short illness. The distressing report of his death reached us two or three days ago, in an unauthenticated form, and we have refused to admit the sad news as true so long as we were not satisfied that the report was authentic. It now becomes our duty to record the painful tidings, and to announce to the people of Louisiana the death of their loved and venerated chief. Another hero has gone to his rest—a Christian hero whose peer will be hard to find. In pain and sorrow we speak of our departed friend—not in eulogy, for that is needless, but merely to express our own deep sorrow that he had not been spared to cheer and aid his loved people. We know of no word which can be uttered to mitigate the heavy grief that will settle upon thousands of breasts when this bereavement is known.

Gov. Allen was born in Prince Edward county, Virginia, and was connected with the Sigona, the Watkins, and other old and highly respectable families of that State. He was partly educated at home, but he finished the work of mental discipline without assistance, and acquired a classical education so thorough as to render him a good teacher in any school he spent some months of his earliest residence in Mississippi. We have often heard him speak of his teaching with mingled pride and pleasure. He was, to a great extent, self-taught, and always expressed an ardent sympathy with all who tried to gain knowledge under adverse circumstances. Allen went to Texas and participated in the struggle which resulted in the independence of the Lone Star State. He then won the esteem and confidence of many of the gallant men who laid the basis of a new republic. He afterwards practiced law in Mississippi, until, through the gratitude of a wealthy gentleman whom Allen, though an entire stranger, had most carefully attended during a painful and dangerous illness, he became the owner of a fine plantation in West Baton Rouge. From this place he returned to Louisiana, his steady rock in public esteem. He was sent to the legislature, and served with distinction through two or more sessions. It was here that his high public spirit, his energy, his eloquence, and his great purity of character first began to attract general notice. The elegant and hospitable sugar planter had even then established a reputation for personal civility and incorrupt integrity, though few were then conscious of the existence of those gems of mind and heart which he subsequently exhibited.

When the secession of the Southern States occurred, and Louisiana was called on for troops, Allen lent himself to the work of raising volunteers with ardor and enthusiasm, employing largely of his private means for their equipment and subsistence, and in providing for the wants of the families of those who enlisted. He led his own company to share in the labors and dangers of the field, he yielded to the solicitations of the commissioned officers of the Fourth regiment, and was chosen lieutenant colonel.

As an officer, Allen was noted for his devotion to the welfare of his subordinates and the men of his command, for his great kindness to the sick, for his attention to the comfort of his men, for his strict discipline over them, and for his unceasing efforts to add to their efficiency. He never lost sight of the main business of all troops in time of war, which is to prepare for fight in every possible way. He was never absent from camp, except when called off by imperative duty or when disabled by wounds. His kind but exacting rule was aided by his own constant example, for he yielded the same strict and impartial obedience to his superiors that he asked of his own command. He led good soldiers and brave men with an affection that sprang from his own civility. No deed of gallantry by an officer or private in his regiment failed to receive his kindly notice and cordial approbation. He infused his own noble and chivalric spirit into his men, and wherever he led they fought with spirit and energy. It was when commanding the 4th Louisiana regiment, he went vigorously to work in acquiring such military knowledge as his previous experience in Texas had taught him to be necessary. With what success he studied is abundantly shown by the high esteem in which he was held by the officers and men of the 4th Louisiana regiment, and by the success which he achieved in his command of that regiment in the battle of Mansfield.

On Friday last, he having been ascertained that the outlawed fugitive had called on him another day, he was ordered to go to the jail, and to get a look at the prisoners, the cathedral bells rang a deafening jubilee, and gun-firing, crack-firing, and all other sorts of jubilation noises were to be heard all over town. Really, there was as much fuss and fury as if it had been the arrival of the king of France, and twenty thousand of his subjects. The prisoners were the most wretched looking specimens of humanity it is possible to conceive; they were more than half naked—bareheaded, barefooted, and really looking as if they felt it would be a kindness to shoot them at once, and put them out of their misery.

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CHURCH STREET LAUNDRY.—We took occasion on Saturday last, to visit this institution was opened, to go over and examine it in all its details. We found it located in the large building formerly occupied by the Messrs. Davidson, No. 178 Canal street, and a better selection of locality could not have been made. In the front room on the ground floor are placed the washing machines, which are of the patent of the steam laundry company of Cincinnati, Ohio. These are worked by steam power, and are capable of washing an immense amount of clothing in a very short space of time. Washing by this process is done altogether by water heated by steam; the clothing is not rubbed or pounded as in the old process; but is cleaned by the water being forced through them and being kept constantly in motion. The best idea we can convey of the machine is to say that the clothing is placed in a barrel which is perforated with holes, through which the water can enter with perfect freedom. This barrel revolves upon axles placed in each end, which fit in both ends of a water-tight box in which they are fixed. After having been filled with clothing the barrels are closed and water is let into the boxes to a certain height, when they are set in motion. The best idea we can convey of the machine is to say that the clothing is placed in a barrel which is perforated with holes, through which the water can enter with perfect freedom.

THE GREAT SOUTHERN HOUSE. ROCHA, BECKER & CO., Canal Street. OUR PRICES DEPLY COMPETITION. Remember the Number, "142."

THE MECHANICS AND AGRICULTURAL FAIR ASSOCIATION OF LOUISIANA. At a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, held at the Mechanics' Building on the 12th inst., it was unanimously resolved that the Fair Association of New Orleans, organized on the 20th November, 1865, should be dissolved, and that the Mechanics' and Agricultural Fair Association of Louisiana should be organized in its stead.

TURTLE SOUP AT THE PLANET. GREEN TURTLE SOUP. SERVED TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW. PLANET SALOON. MAGAZINE STREET.

P. MATTARD, IMPORTER, DEALER AND MANUFACTURER. FINE FRENCH FURNITURE AND UPHOLSTERY. RICH CURTAIN STUFFS, CARPETS, MATTINGS, House Furnishing Goods, LOOKING GLASSES, ETC. No. 55 Royal and 59 BIENVILLE STREETS.

New York Hotel, Broadway, New York. CRANSTON & HILDRETH, PROPRIETORS. PHILIPS & CO., RECEIVING, FORWARDING, AND GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

Crescent Steam Laundry, Carondelet Street. CARPETINGS, CURTAINS, ETC. TURNER, THE PHOTOGRAPHER.

THE LOUISIANA AND TEXAS PETROLEUM VAPOR STOVE. GAS LIGHT COMPANY. Notice to Planters.

ROCHA, BECKER & CO., Canal Street. WILL OPEN ON MONDAY, MAY 15TH. W. DAUPHIN, IMPORTER AND JOBBER. MILLINERY GOODS.

THE GREAT CHOLERA REMEDY. GREY JACKET BITTERS. A SURE CURE FOR Cholera, Cholera Morbus, and all Diseases of the Stomach and Digestive Organs.

Magazine Street. BETWEEN ST. ANDREW AND JOSEPHINE. Ten Dollars Saved on every Forty Bought There!

WHEELOCK, FINLEY & CO., Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Foreign and Domestic Goods.

DRUGGISTS AND IMPORTERS. Corner Magazine and Gravier Streets. Offer for SALE AT THE LOWEST RATES, the following stock of first-class medicine, now landing on British and steamships from London and Cardiff.

STATIONER, PRINTER AND BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURER. ENGLISH AND FRENCH COMMERCIAL AND PAPER POST PAPERS.

Point Clear Hotel. The undersigned will open the Point Clear Hotel, on or about the 15th day of May next.

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