

The New Orleans Crescent.

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 8, 1868.

A Hundred Years Ago. Where are all the birds that sang a hundred years ago? The flowers that all in beauty sprang a hundred years ago...

Who peopled all the city streets a hundred years ago? Who filled the church with faces meek a hundred years ago? The sneering tale of sister frail—a plot that work'd a brother's heart...

Where are the graves where dead men slept a hundred years ago? Who were they that living wept a hundred years ago? By other men their lands are tilled...

Punch on the Alabama Question. HOIT! HOIT! How now, my dear children, it's always the way, you can't be contented with innocent play...

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A VISIT TO THE CANONICAL COUNTRY.

Last evening, at Ricey Hall, M. Du Chailis, the celebrated African traveler and hunter, gave an account of his adventures among the Funs, a cannibal tribe of Africa...

A little after eight M. Du Chailis entered and commenced his lecture. He was dressed in a simple, direct and pleasing manner. After introductory remarks explaining how he came to Africa...

He said: "This country lies in the mountains near the western coast of Africa, about two degrees north of the equator, and two hundred and fifty miles from the coast. The village in the Fun village stood on the top of a hill and when I appeared in it the people gathered around me in multitudes..."

He was dressed in the skins of wild beasts and held a spear in his hand. He looked at me with wonder, and I did the same with him. He said he was not afraid of me when surrounded by his warriors...

John, do what she asks you, no early replies, you're older than she, and you should be more wise; And Columbia, my dear, don't speak pettish and tart. If he surely sometimes, you're a place in his heart.

You two, well descended, well fed and well taught. You should set an example, yes, that's what you ought; Remember how much on your conduct depends, You're Christians and cousins—there, kiss and be friends.

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Industrial, Statistical, Etc.

The Society of Jesuits is composed of 8165 members, and increases nearly 100 annually.

The steamship lines between New York and Europe transported during 1867 222,000 passengers, 1,000,000 tons of cargo, and \$48,135,000 in freights.

The United States has 36,896 miles of railroad in running order. It is estimated that 1,000,000 acres of wheat have been sown in California this season.

There are 8173 refiners of beetroot sugar on the continent of Europe, producing annually 660,000 tons of refined beetroot sugar.

There were 1,251,470 bags of coffee shipped from Rio de Janeiro to the United States in 1867, against 857,171 bags in 1866.

Mr. Goodrich, the great experimenter in potatoes, has raised over 16,000 seedlings, of which number less than ten sorts have proved of value for general cultivation.

The Farmers' Res. Keepers Association held their annual meeting at Madison on the 14th February. Wouldn't keep keeping profitable in Louisiana if properly attended to?

Dickens has written to his friends in England that he expects to pay \$50,000 during his stay in America.

A cotton factory has recently been established in Oktibeha county, Miss., which is turning out 350 pounds of thread per day.

It is said that the Chicago Tribune Company netted \$300,000 last year. The crop of the year was \$6,338,520 bushels, being an average of 3 1/2 bushels to the acre planted.

In Brazil there is an immense hairy spider, called the crab spider, which has a body sometimes as big as a rat's head, and is said to kill young chickens and suck the juices.

There is said to be over 250,000 pairs of red clover in a pound. The Germans have invented a machine for extracting honey from the comb; the frames of empty combs are returned to the hive to be filled.

An average crop of cranberries is 300 bushels per acre, and the price from \$3 to \$4 per bushel. The silk raised in Peru is superior in fineness and quality to that produced by the silk worm.

Townsend Glover has sold his Agricultural and Horticultural Department of agriculture at Washington for \$10,000. An "Industrial Association" has been formed in Mississippi, to encourage, develop and improve the agriculture, horticulture and the manufacturing of the State.

Giles B. Avery, of Albany, N. Y., had last season, one live of Italian bees which gave one swarm, and these two yielded 250 pounds of honey which he sold for \$100.

The bones of a mastodon have lately been found in Noble county, Indiana. Mr. Anson Burlingame's Mission as Envoy Extraordinary to the Treaty Powers.

The State Department has received the following letter from Mr. Burlingame: SHANGHAI, Dec. 11, 1867. Sir—You will have learned by my telegram from Peking of my appointment by the Chinese government as envoy to the treaty powers...

I was on the Perch, proceeding to the treaty ports of China to ascertain what changes our citizens desired to have made in the treaties, providing revision should be deemed expedient.

The bill of rights asserts the rightful claims of freedom, acknowledges the paramount authority of the United States as superior in its sphere to the State, and denies the right of secession.

Article II defines the boundaries of the State. Article III divides the seat of government. Article IV locates the powers of government into three departments—legislative, executive and judicial.

Article V prescribes the powers, etc., of the legislative branch. It prohibits indentured and apprenticeship which carry with them involuntary servitude, and all manner of legislation which might by implication or otherwise be used to restrict the rights of citizens.

Article VI defines the duties and powers of the executive department. Article VII is devoted to the judiciary. Article VIII defines who are, are not, and may become voters.

Literary Curiosity.

The following remarkable little poem is a contribution to the literature of the day.

1—Why all this toil for triumphs of an hour? 2—Life's a short summer, man a flower; 3—By turns we catch the vital breath and die— 4—The cradle and the tomb, alas and sigh.

5—To be better far than not to be, 6—Though all man's life may seem a tragedy; 7—But light cares speak when mighty griefs are dumb; 8—The bottom is but shallow whence they come.

9—Your fate is but the common fate of all; 10—Unmangled joys, here, to no man befall; 11—Nature to each allots his proper sphere; 12—Fortune makes folly her peculiar care;

13—Custom does not often reason overrule, 14—And throw a cruel sunshine on a fool; 15—Live well, how long or short permit to heaven; 16—They who forgive most, shall be most forgiven.

17—Sin may be clasped so close we cannot see it; 18—The intercourse where virtue has no place; 19—Then keep each passion down, however dear; 20—Thou pendulum, betwixt a smile and tear;

21—Hear sensual snare, let fall these pleasures lay; 22—With craft and skill, to ruin and betray; 23—Soar not too high to fall, but stoop to rise; 24—We masters grow of all that we despise.

25—O, then, renounce that impious self-esteem; 26—Riches have wings, and grandeur is a dream; 27—Think not ambition wise because 'tis brave; 28—The paths of glory lead to the grave.

29—What is ambition?—'tis a glorious cheat!— 30—Only destructive to the brave and great; 31—What's all the gaudy glitter of a crown? 32—The way to bliss lies not on beds of down.

33—How long we live, not years, but actions, tell; 34—The well we live twice who lives the first life well. 35—Make, then, while yet we may, your God your friend; 36—Whom Christians worship, yet not comprehend.

37—The trust that's given guard; and to your duty, as the soldier, be true; 38—For, live we how we can, yet die we must.

It strains a man's philosophy the wist kind; 'Tis all when he gets beat; 'Tis all when he gets beat; 'Tis all when he gets beat; 'Tis all when he gets beat.

After a man has rode fast once, he never wants to stop again. Faith that is founded on an earnest and a truthful conviction, is beautiful to behold; but faith that is founded simply on courage, ain't anything more than good grit.

Evra sorrow was for twin joy; the fun or anything almost pays for having the each. Those families who are really first class never are afraid that the shall get cheated out of their respectability, while the codfish family are afraid to get cheated out of their respectability.

It is easy enough to raise the devil, but he's a hard crop to reap. The only sure respec teepeee govern maskin' with is the rod; you may reason it with flowers and case it with velvet, if you please, but it is the rod after all that does the talking.

We are told that a contentment man is happy, and we might have bin told at the same time that a mod-tiree could fly if it enah had wings. THE ASTOR OR TO BE—The New York correspondent of the Boston Journal tells how the living Astors are managing and increasing the great fortune which their ancestor left them, and what does it amount to!

The Astors who formerly hold their property for many generations to come. William B. was named by his father to the style of business which had gained his fortune and increased it. Since the death of John Jacob Astor the business has been conducted by his sons and grandsons.

John Jacob and William B. jr. They have been carefully trained to the same style of business that distinguished their father and grandfather. The little one, who is now a boy, is a lawyer, and the other is a merchant.

Large numbers of blacks and some whites applied to the Freedmen's Bureau, on Monday at the office of the freedmen's bureau, on Walnut street, receiving rations of meal and pork. The majority of the applicants appear to belong to the country.—[Baton Rouge Advocate.

A SERVANTS' BALL IN PARIS.—The Paris correspondent of the Morning Post describes a magnificent ball which took place in the Sal Valentino, known as the cooks' annual ball. The throng of the kitchen and the more beautiful women of the hall, together with the youthful knights of the coterie, mastered strongly. It is no exaggeration to say that the toilets of the ladies were worthy of the most aristocratic society.

The cavaliere were dressed precisely in the same white cravat, white gloves, and embroidered shirt sublimely with the characteristic appearance of another nobleman of another class. It was pleasant to join in the refreshing conversation of the belles of this ball. Instead of the namby-pamby nonsense of other aristocratic circles, it was interesting to hear one's quadrille partner, after the dance was over, in a vigorous abuse of this or that noble family, the phrases being sprinkled with epithets singularly expressive.

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