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Concentrated Extract Sarsaparilla.

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IS THE GREAT DIURETIC.

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IS THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER.

Both are prepared according to the rules of Pharmacy and Chemistry, and are the most active that can be made.

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Bladder, Kidneys, Gravel, Dropsy, Organic Weakness, Female Complaints, General Debility.

If no treatment is submitted to, Consumption or Insanity may ensue. Our Flesh and Blood are supported from these sources, and the

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS,

and that of POSTERITY, depends upon prompt use of a reliable remedy.

The Proprietor trusts that his Remedies, because advertised, may not be classed as Patent Medicines—most of which are prepared by self-styled Doctors, who, in many instances, are too ignorant to read a physician's simplest prescription, much less competent to prepare Pharmaceutical Preparations.

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Are prepared in vacuo from the vegetable substanstances named, and are the most active that can be made. Decoctions are exceedingly troublesome, and it is necessary to prepare them every day, and the syrups are still more objectionable, as they are weaker than the decoctions; for fluids saturated with sugars are susceptible of holding in solution much less extractive matter than water alone, and the syrups are otherwise objectionable, for the patient is frequently nauseated and the stomach surfeited by the large proportion of sugar taken with each dose, which is of no use whatever, except to keep the decoction from spoiling.

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The proprietor was compelled to adopt this wrapper be, cause of the growing popularity of his articles, and to prevent spurious and dangerous counterfeiting.

THE CRESCENT'S DISPATCHES.

FROM WASHINGTON.

VETO OF THE ARKANSAS BILL.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

A General Amnesty Expected.

LOUISIANA APPOINTMENTS.

Pardon of a Confederate General.

THE CHANCES OF CANDIDATES AT THE FOURTH OF JULY CONVENTION.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATION.

SECRETARY McCULLOCH

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The following is the president's message vetoing the Arkansas bill:

"The approval of this bill would be an admission that the act for the more efficient government of the rebel States, and acts supplemental thereto, were proper and constitutional; whereas, the president's opinion is unchanged in this respect, but rather strengthened by results attending their execution. If Arkansas is not a State, this bill does not admit her; if she is a State, no legislation is necessary to her representation in Congress. Each house, under the Constitution, judges the election returns and qualifications of its own members, and nothing is necessary to restore Arkansas but the decision of each house of the eligibility of those presenting credentials. If this plain and simple plan of the Constitution had been adopted in 1865, instead of legislation of doubtful constitutionality, and therefore unwise and dangerous, restoration would long since have been accomplished. The president again recommends the adoption of the constitutional plan. The terms proposed are scarcely applicable to a territory—certainly not to a State which has occupied a place in the Union for over a quarter of a century. The president is unable to find any authority for the conditions of the bill in the federal Constitution. The elective franchise is reserved by the Constitution to the States themselves. The bill fails to provide how Arkansas shall signify her acceptance of the fundamental conditions, nor does it prescribe penalties for their nullification. It is seriously questioned whether the Constitution has been ratified according to the law assumed to be in force before its adoption. The Arkansas Constitution restricted franchise on its ratification by tests unknown in the reconstruction acts—among thme the acceptance of the political and civil rights of all men. It is well known that a large portion, if not a large majority of electors do not accept this test, and if applied to voters North there is reason to believe many of them would remain away from the polls rather than comply with its degrading conditions."

The president concludes: "Should the people of Arkansas, therefore, desiring to regulate the elective franchise so as to make it conform to the Constitution of a large proportion of the States of the North and West, modify the provisions referred to in the fundamental condition, what is to be the consequences. Is it intended that a denial of representation shall follow, and if so, may we not dread at some future day a recurrence of the troubles which have so long agitated the country? Would it not be the part of wisdom to take for our guide the federal Constitution, rather than resort to measures which, looking only to the present, may in a few years renew, in an aggravated form, the strife and bitterness caused by legislation which has proved to be ill-timed and unfortunate?"

In House—Occupied with unimportant matters until the veto of the Arkansas bill was received, when the bill passed over the veto by 110 to 31—a strict party vote, except Stewart, of New York, who voted with the Republicans.

The Kentucky election contest then came up and was discussed to adjournment.

Senate—A memorial from 1300 printers and book binders representing American industry, paralyzed by cheap foreign labor, asks for a protection tariff.

A similar petition was presented from laborers and citizens of Delaware.

The bill dividing Illinois into two judicial districts, with courts at Cairo and Springfield passed.

A large number of pension bills passed.

Without acting on the veto, the Senate went into executive session and adjourned.

The tax bill reported to-day comes up on Monday, and will occupy the House without interruption until concluded. It reduces the tax on whisky to sixty cents. It is elaborate in detail for collection.

It is thought probable that a general amnesty will be proclaimed on the Fourth of July.

The president has nominated Richard W. M. Eller collector of customs for the Teche district of Louisiana, and Henry C. Meyers receiver of moneys at the land office at Natchitoches, La.

The president has pardoned Confederate Gen. H. Heth.

The corruption committee continues examining witnesses.

Speculative calculations by very high Democratic authority fix the chances for the nomination at New York as follows: Pendleton two in ten; Chase two in ten. Hancock, Doolittle, Hendricks, Dix and half a dozen others range lower. Close and impartial reading indicates that Chase's chances are very good, and equally close and impartial watching here demonstrates that Chase desires, and that potent friends are working assiduously, for his nomination.

The president has nominated J. S. Treanor assessor for the Louisville district, vice Edgar Needham, incumbent since Mr. Lincoln's first election.

Rollins and McCulloch indorse the change.

Secretary McCulloch has assured prominent Maryland Democrats that he will use his influence to have objectionable officers in that State removed. McCulloch is evidently making smooth water. His resignation or removal is improbable.

FROM JACKSON.

The Late Removals Disapproved at Washington—Mississippi Politics.

JACKSON, MISS., June 20.—The following dispatch relative to the removal of Gov. Humphreys and Attorney General Hooker, was received today at the Democratic Executive Committee rooms, from Washington:

"Gen. J. D. Freeman—Removals disapproved, and reasons demanded. Signed,

"BEVERLY MATTHEWS."

Humphreys and Hooker are canvassing the State in opposition to the proposed Constitution. The Democrats claim that they will carry the State by 20,000 majority. The election begins on Monday, the 22d.

FROM EUROPE.

Maximilian Requiem Mass—Pacific Speech by King William—The South American War—Bancroft.

PARIS, June 20.—At a grand requiem, held here yesterday, in memory of Maximilian, Carlotta, M'me Miramon and many Mexicans were present.

The mail steamer from Rio Janeiro reports that after repeated assaults the allies had determined to reduce Humiata by seige. The Paraguayans are united in support of Lopez and the war.

BERLIN, June 20.—King William of Prussia, in a short pacific speech, closed the North German Parliament.

Bancroft contemplates visiting the South German courts. Col. Bliss, secretary of the legation, will act during his (Bancroft's) absence.

FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

SOUTHWEST PASS, June 20—11 A. M.—Barometer 29:65. Wind southwest; good breeze. Arrived: Schooner Elma, Johnson, cotton, hides and specie, to S. Fernandez & Co.; schooner Time, Walker, 12 days from St. Marys, bound to Pensacola with live stock, put in for provisions and water. Sailed: Steamship Sherman and ship Success.

SOUTHWEST PASS, June 20—6 P. M.—Barometer 29:65. Wind southwest, fresh. Arrived: Steamship United States, Horton, master, from New York with merchandise and passengers, to Wood, Low & Ludwigsen; schooner Frederick H, Roult, master, from Ruatan with fruit to Piaggio Bros. Sailed: Steamship Crescent.

RIVER NEWS.

VICKSBURG, June 20.—Passed up—Groesbeck at 5 P. M. yesterday, and Horner, with barges, at noon to day. Down—Allen, at 11 this morning. River falling four inches daily.

ST. LOUIS, June 20.—River receding.

LOUISVILLE, June 20.—River falling, nine feet nine inches in the canal. Weather clear and warm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—A rock slide occurred on the Pacific Central Railroad, killing several Chinese laborers.

The first train reached Reno yesterday. Nine thousand workmen are engaged.

Three charters have been effected for the first grain cargoes, at three pence to Liverpool.

PORTLAND, ME., June 20.—A boat containing eight men capsized this morning and five were drowned. All were Frenchmen, and four leave families.

NEW YORK, June 20.—A steam tug towing a barge exploded off pier No. 1, East river. The tog sunk. All the crew were more or less injured. One man drowned.

MONTGOMERY, June 20.—Fine and seasonable rains have fallen in different parts of Alabama in the last few days, coming just in time to save the corn crop, which was nearly burnt up.

Members of the legislature elected under the reconstruction law are arriving in anticipation of the omnibus bill. None but radicals were elected, as the anti radicals acted on the suggestion of the reconstruction law, and defeated the Constitution and legislature by non-voting.

CANANDUIGA, N. Y., June 20.—The district court has sentenced Allen Hewlett to the penitentiary for one year and eleven months, for secreting property from assignee in bankruptcy. This is the first conviction reported under the bankrupt law.

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 20.—In the legislature to-day Elijah Gilbert, radical, was elected U. S. senator for six years from March, 1869, by 40 to 21. During the afternoon session a majority of members were granted leave of absence to July 7th. In the meantime the minority will meet and adjourn.

ATLANTA, June 20.—The governor, elect, has just returned from Washington, and it is rumored that the legislature will be convend on the 4th of July.

There have been fine rains in this section of the State, and crops are looking well.

MARKETS.

LONDON, June 20.—Holiday to-day.

FRANKFORT, June 20.—Bonds 77⅛@77¼.

LIVERPOOL, June 20—Noon.—Cotton firmer but prices unchanged. Sales 15,000 bales. Sugar 26s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL, June 20—Evening.—Cotton market firmer—uplands 11½d.; Orleans 11¾d. Sales to-day 15,000 bales. Corn 13s. 8d.

NEW YORK, June 20—Afternoon.—Cotton steady; uplands 31c.; sales to-day 1500 bales. Flour 10@15c. lower—State superfine to extra $7@8 75. Wheat dull. Corn—mixed Western $1 05@1 07. Whisky dull and nominal. Others unchanged. Money easy and dull at 3@5c. for call loans. Gold 140½@140¾. Sterling dull at 110¼. Governments steady.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Evening.—Stocks steady. Governments active and closed. The bank statement shows a decrease in loans of $1,024,000; in circulation $47,000; increase in deposits $813,000; in legal tenders $3,362,000; sub-treasury balance $95,500,000.

GALVESTON, June 19.—Bulletin's weekly cotton statement shows receipts of 372 bales. Exports—foreign 1343 bales, coastwise 571 bales. Stock 4037 bales. Sales of the week 690 bales. Good ordinary 19c.

SAVANNAH, June 20.—Cotton firmer but nothing doing, holders asking too high. Middling 30½@31c. Receipts 73 bales.

CHARLESTON, June 20.—Cotton quiet. Sales 100 bales. Middlings 29½@30c. Receipts 87 bales. Exports, coastwise 537 bales.

MOBILE, June 20.—Cotton—nothing doing; receipts 14 bales.

LOUISVILLE, June 20.—Sales 89 hhds. tobacco; lugs to medium leaf $9 60@16 25. Superfine flour $7 50@8. Wheat $2@2 15 for old and new. Corn 90@95c. Oats 78@80c. Rye $1 70@1 75. Mess pork $28 25@28 50. Lard 17½@18c. in tierces and 19@19½c. in kegs. Bacon—shoulders 13¼@13½c., clear rib sides 17c., clear sides 17½c. Bulk meats—shoulders 12½c., clear sides 16½c. Whisky—nothing doing. Prices nominal.

CINCINNATI, June 20.—Flour dull; family $9 50@$9 75. Wheat $2 05@$2 15. Corn 88c. Oats 76c. Pork $28. Bulk meats—Shoulders 11½@12c. Lard held at 17½c. Butter 26@30c. Eggs 20c.

ST. LOUIS, June 20.—Flour dull and unsettled. Wheat and corn unchanged; 80@85c. Oats 75c. Pork $28 25@$28 50.

SOUTHERN ITEMS.

Terrebonne had abundant rains last week.

On the 7th inst. Col. Hervey Deskins, aged 65 years, died in Jacksonville, Floyd county, Ga.

The Ouachita Telegraph of the 17th announces the death of Dr. John Calderwood, Sr., an old and esteemed citizen of Monroe.

In Savannah recently a drunken dog named Higgins shot and killed his wife. His frequent beatings of her had previously resulted in an abortion.

At a tournament in Memphis, on the 17th, Geo. W. McKie, of Tullahoma, Miss., won the prize, and selected as his queen Miss Katie L. Avent. Thirteen knights contested. General James R. Chalmers took the lead in the ceremonies.

A Southern exchange says that Mrs. Beecher Stowe is going to establish a school at Aiken, Ga., for the benefit of mulatto children that have been born in the South since its invasion by Yankee schoolmarms.

The Planters' Banner announces the grateful visitation of rain in the parish of St. Mary, and the revived condition of corn and sugar. The same paper says the Spanish flies have been making sad havoc in some of the gardens of that parish.

The Thibodaux Sentinel says: "We hear occasional complaints of dry weather, but generally our country friends express themselves highly pleased with the prospect before them, and unless some unexpected misfortune occurs, the corn will be above a fair average."

The Ouachita Telegraph of the 17th says: "We have to report a week of exceedingly dry, sultry weather, in which corn has suffered considerably, being now at the most critical period in its growth. The injury, however, may be compensated by the rapid and vigorous growth of the young cotton, which standing a drought better than corn has rather been improved instead of injured by the want of rain."

At a late dinner in North Carolina, there sat down to the table three ex-governors, an ex-justice of the Supreme Court, two ex members of Congress and some other men of honorable distinction in their State, and the only person in the room who could vote or hold office was the negro who waited on the table. Such is reconstruction.

The Thibodaux Sentinel says: "Some two weeks since a crevasse occurred on the lands of Harang & Bousseau, formerly Pitman & Barrow, which proved too formidable to be closed, and is still running, without any probability of its being closed until the bayou falls. Some twenty odd families, living from six to fifteen miles below Lockport, left bank, will lose all or a portion of their crops, by this misfortune. The police jury met on Monday last to take some action in regard to the closing of the breach, but did nothing more than to instruct the syndic to execute existing laws."

The Charleston Courier learns that in Camden, on Monday, an outbreak occurred among the negroes in that vicinity, in the progress of which several of the most prominent citizens were forcibly incarcerated, and two of them hung, and that the sheriff of the district, in a futile effort to command the peace, had been fatally shot. It appears that the company of federal soldiers which had been sent to that point, at the earnest solicitation of the citizens, to quell the disturbances which were threatened in consequence of the killing of S. G. W. Dill last week, had received notice that they were to be relieved by a company from Columbia, and without waiting for the relief to arrive, had started from Camden. The negroes, taking advantage of their absence, rose en masse and committed the horrible outrage alluded to.

Local Intelligence.

REPORTORIAL BREVITIES.—Capt. Freeman, of the revenue cutter Wilderness, towed to the city the Pensacola steamer Lizzie, found with a broken shaft off St. Joseph's Light, in Mississippi Sound.

We have authority, which can be produced when called for, for the following facts: About two weeks ago a gentleman connected with an extensive foundry and boiler factory in the First District, received an anonymous letter, warning him that articles of value were stolen at an early hour every morning from the establishment. The gentleman set himself to watch. Seeing a negro with a large roll of sheet copper in his possession, and recognizing him as a hand that had been employed about the place, he had him arrested by the policeman near. The negro thereupon stated that another negro, a confidential man, constantly employed about the foundry, and who had the key to the gate, was in the habit of handing out rolls of sheet copper to him, which he was also in the habit of taking to a receiver's on Tchoupitoulas street. The two negroes and the receiver were arrested and confined in prison. The case came off yesterday, and although both the negroes had expressed their anxiety to testify as to the receiving of the goods and the encouragement given them by the white man on Tchoupitoulas street, they were not admitted to the witness stand; and they, the ignorant instruments, were sent before the First District Court, and the really guilty, the receiver and inciter, was released and is again at his nefarious trade.

On Friday evening a "Phantasmagoria exhibition, with scripture and miscellaneous illustrations" is to be given at the Coliseum Place Baptist Church, under the auspices of the Ladies Missionary Society. Refreshments are to be provided for guests in an adjoining room, and every other arrangement will be made to insure the enjoyment of those who attend. We are indebted to the committee for a complimentary ticket of invitation.

Upon motion of Judge Whitaker, counsel for ex-Mayor Heath, further proceedings in the writ of *quo warranto*, served upon Mayor Conway, were yesterday discontinued, in consequence of the reply made from headquarters to Judge Whitaker's inquiry on the subject, as published in the CRESCENT of yesterday.

Jean Meunier, the missing charcoal dealer, having seen in the daily papers notices of his disappearance, has come to light again.

The temperature yesterday, as shown by the thermometer at C. Duhamel's, corner Bienville and Chartres streets, was as follows: At 6 A. M. 76 degrees: 12 M. 85: 3 P. M. 80: 6 P. M. 78.

Frank Neville, alias Stax, charged with post-office robberies last winter, has been transferred from the custody of the police authorities to that of the U. S. marshal.

Judge Duplantier, of the Sixth District Court, has dismissed a suit brought against the Southern Express Company to recover $250, the alleged value, interest, etc., of a package said to contain $100 in gold, shipped from here in 1861, in care of the company, to a point in Kentucky. The package, it seems, never was delivered at its destination, having been, it is said, lost in transitu; but the claim, not having been presented within ninety days after its shipment, as was required by the contract on the receipt, was declared groundless by the court.

By invitation of Captain Childress we took the one mule wagon, last evening, with several friends, on Canal street, and trotted down at a breakneck pace to the Half Way House. The "cap" has just reopened the celebrated old "Half Way," where the sports of the turf and people of all kinds have ever been in the habit of breathing their swift roadsters and refreshing their inner man. We discovered everything in excellent order—the bar bountifully supplied with the best of whiskies, brandies and other liquors; whilst the champagne which mine host poured out was only equaled in its quality by the prodigality with which it was dispensed. It was the genuine cliquot and *frappé*, at that. The captain has a capacious and elegant parlor for use of ladies. Duane, whose name is identified with pistols and coffee, has a rifle and pistol gallery close by, at which amateurs and others that may desire to practice, or to kill time, can amuse themselves; whilst the fragrant and elegant gardens, with their leafy labyrinths, offer the most seductive inducements to such as may have some soft love tale to relate or to listen to. We can honestly advise our readers to attend the Half-way House, as it is now kept, for Childress will not only have the best of liquors and refreshments, but the best order and decorum kept throughout.

A rare scene occurred yesterday in the Third District court room. A learned and honorable gentleman, who has filled seats both in the District and in the Supreme Courts, was attorney for certain parties, in a case wherein another lawer, no less distinguished in the realms of spiritualism, was his antagonist. The spiritualist accused the ex judge of not adhering with strict truth to the record. The ex-judge, in answer, seized an ink-stand, and with that awful instrument in his right hand, he thundered forth denunciation after denunciation upon his adversary's head. The matter was summarily ended just as it was reaching a fighting point, by the judge of the court, who declared the case adjourned till next November. The jovial minute clerk, who, up to the moment of the handling of the ink-stand, had been placidly writing out his day's proceedings, and dreaming, with open eyes, of the deer and alligators he is to shoot to-day, dodged, in consternation, under his desk, thinking the tables had been turned, and that instead of "ze tigaire" being hunted, he had turned upon his pursuer.

We are indebted to the lady teachers of the De Soto School for an invitation to attend their commencement exercises on Wednesday next, and to those of the Webster School for a similar favor, the examination to take place to-morrow, the 22d inst.

The annual public exercises in the Grammar and Primary Schools (both white and colored) of the First District will take place to morrow.

The number of milch cows turned out of the stables in the rear of the city during the afternoon is hardly to be computed. The pastures are poor, but the milkmen judge very properly that fresh air and a few green weeds are better than physic and stall food. If the milkmen would only club together and sow the fields in the neighborhood of the park—or in fact all the fields in the back part of town, from Carrollton to the barracks—with timothy grass, Bermuda grass, or clover, they would reap tenfold benefit both in richness of the milk and in the quantity of feed.

A negro meeting was held a few nights ago, on Terpsichore street, at the house of a negro, and in honor of the Rant Gratification nomination. During the magniloquent proceedings in the dwelling, a select committee on stoves bore off the stove from the kitchen, with all its paraphernalia—stove pipe, tin utensils, kettles, etc. The proprietor should have remembered the sable adage about the red hot stove; but he swears earnestly that a Rant Gratification meeting shall never again hold a session on his premises. The majority of the gentry composing such meetings are exceedingly light fingered.

The passer-by might have seen yesterday, seated on the floor of the marble doorway of one of our principal banks, a poor woman in rags, with one child lying stretched asleep on the cold pavement beside her, and another—an infant—at her breast. Whether she was an imposter or not, the sight was in either event pitiful enough.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—To-night the season closes, and the announcement will not be a welcome one, we fancy, to those who during the past winter and spring have derived so much entertainment from the various burlesques and variety performances offered at the Academy. For the closing occasion a good bill is announced, including a double polka by Misses Evers and Wood, comic selections by Jennie Engel, Ethiopian delineations by Parker, Carter and Schoolcraft, and the last local sensation, "Base Ball," caricaturing various characters about town. We hope the season may have a brilliant termination, and that, as the curtain goes down, enthusiastic applause may give the management an assurance that their efforts to please have been appreciated. To-morrow evening, in response to a frequently expressed desire upon the part of her friends, Miss Jennie Engel is to have a complimentary benefit. The programme will consist of "The Dramatic Agency," "Base Ball," and that sterling farce, the "Female Privateers."

REGATTA ON THE LAKE SHORE.—With the return of the boating season comes the intelligence that the enterprising people of our little city of Shieldsborough (Bay St. Louis) will hold a regatta at that place on the 13th and 14th prox., under the rules of the Crescent City Yacht Club. On the first day the first and second class prizes will be $150 and $100, and on the second day there is to be a sweepstakes of $100 for boats of all kinds. Many of us recollect the pleasant manner in which the similar occasion of last year passed off at the Bay, and we shall expect to see a large attendance at this the opening regatta of the season. The following is the list of judges: Mobile, Capt. Geo. Blakeslee; New Orleans, Col. J. O. Nixon; Biloxi, Com. J. G. Robinson; Ocean Springs, J. H. Minor; Pass Christian, Simeon Toby; Mississippi City, ——; Bay St. Louis, Thos. Hasam.

THE FIREMEN'S FESTIVAL.—To-day at the Fair Grounds the Firemen's Charitable Association will resume their festivities, so pleasantly inaugurated a week since. The features of the entertainment are decidedly attractive as announced in the programme. There will be a hook and ladder race by hand, a half mile hand engine race, a half mile truck trotting race, a half mile foot race, a 100 yards foot race for well men and another for men on crutches, sack races for juveniles and adults, a greased pig chase, and the usual terpsichorean amusement. Jaeger's band will discourse the music, and a strong police force will be in attendance to preserve order.

WATERMAN CONCLAVE No. 9, S. W. M.—The members of this well known and respected organization celebrated their anniversary yesterday by an entertainment and ball at the Lake End. Before taking the cars from Pontchartrain depot they marched through some of the principal streets, accompanied with music, and did not forget, in passing the CRESCENT office, to halt and favor us with a compliment.

IONIA CONCLAVE No. 11, S. W. M.—There was a large attendance of the members of the S. W. M. at Perseverance Hall, corner of St. Claude and Dumaine streets, on the occasion of the installation of the following officers of Ionia Conclave No. 11, viz: M. A. Calongne, chief M. E.; A. D. Bernoudy, chancellor; Michel George, pro vost; E. A. Louis scribe; V. Schehr, treasurer; L. Lambert, inspector general; Alex. Taro, herald; E. Levy, sentinel; A. L. Tissot, prelate. In addition to the ceremonies of installation the evening was marked by two pleasing episodes, in the presentation of a costly regalia to Mr. Michel George, provost of the Conclave, and of a gold medal to chief M. E. M. A. Calongne. Subsequently, the company adjourned to the hall below, where speeches and toasts concluded the exercises of the evening.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE.—The annual examination of the students of St. Mary's College will take place to-morrow and Tuesday evenings, at the National Theater. The college band and choir will be in attendance, together with the orchestra, to enliven the occasion by musical performances—the whole of this portion of the programme being under the direction of Professor J. Eckert. The entertainment, beside the customary examination in the various branches, will embrace exercises in declamation, the tent scene between Brutus and Cassius, and a comedy in three acts, entitled "The Village Lawyer." We can promise our readers a rare display of proficiency by the pupils of this prosperous institution.

ROBBERIES.—Thieves entered a grocery store corner of Chippewa and Fourth streets, early yesterday morning, by forcing open the blinds of a front window. Some cigars were stolen, and also about a hundred dollars which had been left in the store. The money-drawer was found lying empty in the street in the morning. About the same time some thieves, probably the same parties, broke out the slats in a rear blind of the house of Mr. Wilder, corner of Washington street, and entering the house, stole a variety of articles and between twenty and thirty dollars in cash. No arrests have been made in either case.

FIRST DISTRICT COURT.—Informations were lodged against the following yesterday:

Milton Hardwick, larceny; Mrs. John, assault and battery; Dennis Paul, assault with a dangerous weapon; A. Gillovich, mayhem.

Bill Johnson was sentenced to one year in the Penitentiary for burglary; J. Kern, thirty days in the Parish Prison for larceny; Thomas Philips, six months hard labor in the Penitentiary for larceny; Jean Louis, one year's hard labor in the Penitentiary for burglariously entering and robbing a dwelling; James Hanlon, six months' hard labor in the Penitentiary for larceny; Henry Scott, same penalty for same offense.

Harvey Gibbs was discharged from custody.

FIFTH DISTRICT COURT—*McCubbin, Tutor of His Minor Children, vs. Sam'l Hastings.*—This case was submitted night before last, but the jury could not agree, and were discharged yesterday about 11 A. M. We understand seven were for a verdict in favor of defendant, and five for damages. Mr. McCubbin is an employé in the street commissioner's department, and, we understand a near connection of the street commissioner. The street commissioner was an important witness in the case, and his answers were not a little puzzling to the attorney who cross-questioned him. In the language of Elizabeth, his answers were "answerless." Four or five negroes were on the jury—one or two of whom have no more idea of law or medicine than a bull has of a china shop.

SIXTH DISTRICT COURT.—In the case of E. Heath against J. R. Conway, for the mayoralty, which came before this court yesterday, after filing the correspondence between himself and Gen. Buchanan, published in yesterday's CRESCENT, and the dispatch to the commanding general from Major Keeler conveying the instructions of Gen. Grant concerning State and municipal officers, Judge Whitaker moved a discontinuance of the proceeding on the ground that it had been disapproved by the military authorities. The motion was granted, and John R. Conway placed in undisputed possession of the mayoralty.

The case of Dumas vs. Wurzberger, for the shrievalty, was continued yesterday until the 23d inst., at 10 o'clock.

RECORDER GASTINEL'S COURT.—A negro named Feecass, accused of assaulting the driver of a Bayou Road car, about a week ago, with intent to kill, confessed to having committed the assault, but attempted to mitigate his crime by pleading drunkenness. He was sent before the First District Court.

Geoffrey Goula, colored, charged by Eliza Castarede with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and an attempt to kill, was arrested yesterday and kept for trial.

ITEMS BY LAST NIGHT'S MAIL.

A cargo of Africans, it is said, were recently landed in Cuba.

Charles E. Newhall, a prominent citizen of Lynn, Massachusetts, committed suicide on Monday.

The ninety-third anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill was observed on the 17th with greater patriotic display than for many years.

A telegraph line has been constructed to Trinidad, New Mexico, and will be finished to Sante Fe by the first of July.

On a lake steamer, the other day, an insane woman mounted the walking beam, from which position she was with difficulty dislodged.

The railroad tracks were submerged, bridges washed away, and the young corn washed out by the rains of the past few days, in parts of Ohio and Indiana.

Andrews, the Massachusetts deacon, in jail at Plymouth, Massachusetts, for the murder of Cornelius Holmes, has confessed the crime, but says he did it in self-defense.

Mr. Burlingame, the two European secretaries and the twenty-seven Mandarins will attend a public dinner at New York, on the 23d, leaving the rest of the Chinese embassy in Washington.

A large party of destitute Norwegian emigrants have arrived at Montreal, expecting to be forwarded to their destination by the Canadian government.

Charles Tucker, alias Mason, of Lockport, N. Y., has been convicted of wife murder, the inducement to the deed being, as alleged, a five thousand dollar insurance and a new "affinity."

Dispatches from Rome as late as the 15th state that the pope has concluded to issue a general amnesty to political offenders on the anniversary of his accession to the holy see.

An old man named Dusenbaugh, a tavern keeper near Manchester, Mo., committed suicide recently over the grave of his son. He attached the trigger of his gun to the railing by a string and then discharged it.

The heirs of Gov. Thos. McKean, of Pennsylvania, have just recovered possession of a tract of 2200 acres of land, thirteen miles below Pittsburg, on the Ohio river, valued at over two million dollars.

The award of contract for carrying the overland mails to California was to Carlton Spaids, of Chicago, and not of the California Stage Company, the rate being one thousand dollars per day, and the length of the line 1095 miles.

It is reported at Washington that Wells, Fargo & Co., whose bid for carrying the overland mail was rejected, will buy up all the other bidders, and thus secure the contract for themselves at an enormous figure.

A codfish, weighing forty pounds, recently fell a victim to his own gluttony, at Little Harbor, N. H. He got into a weir, and was helping himself to the small fry, when he was left high and dry by the tide. When opened, thirty-three fish were found in his stomach, none of them decomposed.

The steamship Hibernia, eastward bound, near Baliscar, on the St. Lawrence, on the 17th, ran into an American barge, loaded with sugar, and sunk her. Loss $12,000. The flank of the anchor penetrated the captain's body, and he was not discovered till she arrived in port, when he was found hanging on the anchor.

THE YOUNG LADIES' NORMAL SCHOOL.

ANNUAL PUBLIC EXERCISES.

In the routine of reportorial duties it has been ours to attend very many public school exhibitions and examinations from time to time. And it was, therefore, with no unusual anticipations that we yesterday visited the school house, No. 39 Burgundy street, to listen to the various exercises attendant upon the close of the session of the Young Ladies' Normal School. But how agreeably those anticipations were disappointed, how fleetly and pleasantly three or four hours passed away and found us still lingering, in short, how thoroughly gratified we were with the proficiency displayed by the pupils in all that they undertook, we shall now proceed to tell.

Entering, we found the larger hall room of the building filled with guests. Upon or around the platform sat Superintendent Rogers, Prof. Dimitry, State Superintendent Lusher, Messrs. Kelly, Cronan and others of the Board of School directors, and the following ladies and gentlemen, composing the faculty of the school, viz: Miss Shaw, English department; Miss Watkins, French department; Mrs. Matthews, English grammar and botany; Prof. Curto, musical department; Prof. Heyer, penmanship and drawing; Prof. Seaman, mathematics and geometry; Prof. Percival, rhetoric and Prof. Hopkins, natural sciences.

In the body of the hall, facing the platform, sat the pupils, the other portions being devoted to the guests who were present in goodly numbers. Such an assemblage of fair young beauty as was collected there involuntarily reminds us of that beautiful ode which Mrs. Hemans once wrote describing a somewhat similar scene. There were fresh flowers, too, upon the teachers' desk, tributes which some fond pupil had brought doubtless in token of respect and affection. At the piano, facing the audience, Prof. Curto presided, performing the accompaniments to the vocal music which at intervals gave a pleasing variety to the programme, which in turn was as follows:

1—Chorus—Le Comte Ory.
2—English Composition—It is twice blessed; it blesseth him that giveth and him that taketh.....Miss Kate Cooney.
3—English Recitation—Edinburgh after Flodden.....Miss Clara Miller.
4—Music: Duet—Voices of the Night.....Mrs. Tomes and Miss Therese Nolan.
5—French Composition—Temps Perdu.....Miss S Nolan.
6—English Recitation—Which shall it be?..Miss M. Bishop.
7—English Composition—Toil necessary to Success.....Miss Ida Purcell.
8—Music: Duet and chorus—Flee as a Bird unto the Mountains.....Miss Kasson, Mrs. Tomes.
9—French Recitation—L'Amour d'une Mere.....Miss Katie Atkinson.
10—English Composition—To be useful is to be great.....Miss M Cusack.
11—Music: Duet—Pale Moon.....Misses Ames and Cooney.
12—English Composition—I s w old Autumn in the misty moon, stand shadowless, like Silence listening to silence.....Miss Nora Collins.
13—French Recitation—Mort d'Admiral de Coligny.....Miss Cora Neeley.
14—Music—Le Cantique de Noel
15—English Composition—The Philosophy of History.....Miss F. A Stewart.
16—English Recitation—Mother and Poetess..Mrs. F. Tomes.
17—Chorus—La Charite (solo).....Miss Therese Nolan.

We hesitate in referring to these different exercises to specify any one of them as having been more meritorious than any other. Certain it is we have never seen an exhibition where so little space was offered upon which the closest criticism might find a foothold, and we defy any one even of ordinary intellectual qualifications to have remained there an indifferent listener. Each young lady, as her name was announced, rose in her place and read or recited there, without any undue diffidence, or *mauvaise honte*, and yet, withal, timidly facing the ordeal. There was not one mishap to mar or interrupt the carrying out of the programme from beginning to end, and we know not which were most delighted, the audience, the teachers, or those to whom they listened.

We may, however, pause for an instant to admire the very excellent reading and pronunciation of Miss Cooney, the pathos and feeling with which Miss Bishop recited her little poem from domestic life, the admirable accent in which Miss Neeley recited, in French, the death of the white haired admiral, and the new power and beauty which Mrs. Tomes's recitation infused into that touching poem of Mrs. Browning, "Mother and Poetess." But we might go on thus and mention all who took part, for, in truth, there was but little, if any, opportunity for comparison. Disdaining as we do indiscriminate laudation, we can, nevertheless, in this instance, speak superlatively of all.

Some excellent crayon sketches, including one by Miss C. Watson, representing a landscape scene, another by Miss Woodley, "Washington when a boy," and others representing the Holy Family, and St. Theresa's Church, in this city, were upon exhibition, and reflected much credit upon the instruction given in this branch by Prof. Heyer.

An address, explanatory of the objects of the Normal School,