The New Orleans Crescent.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 24, 1868.

POLITICAL.

Gerritt Smith declares in favor of Chase, if he shall be nominated by the Democrats.

The Rhode Island legislature sat only ten days, and adjourned *sine die*.

Major Wm. N. Hunter has been nominated for Congress from the seventh Indiana district.

Ex-Attorney General Stanbery is the latest Democratic candidate for the presidency.

It is said Senator Cameron has a son in training to succeed Senator Buckalew.

The Hon. John Covode will be renominated in the twenty-first Pennsylvania district.

The New York Tribune keeps a verse of a Grant campaign song, by Miles O'Reilly, at the head of its political news.

Gov. Holden, of North Carolina, convenes the General Assembly on Wednesday, the first day of July next.

The Democrats of the third Vermont (Smith's) district have nominated the Hon. Waldo Brigham, of Hyde Park, for Congress.

The Democrats of the eleventh Illinois Congressional district have nominated S. S. Marshall for re-election to Congress by acclamation. Resolutions were adopted declaring for Pendleton for president.

SOUTHERN ITEMS.

Dr. Joseph H. Murrell, of Minden, La., is dead.

The editor of the Tyler Reporter complains of the numbers and virulence of the fleas in Tyler.

Within three weeks, nine or ten store houses have been broken open in Marshall, Texas.

The parish safe of Claiborne parish has been robbed of $6000. The treasurer, Mr. Story, is under arrest.

About a mile west of Clinton, La., on the 12th, a son of A. E. Anderson shot and killed a negro who was robbing the garden.

The drowning of Mr. B. Roddin and a negro man and woman, by the upsetting of a boat on Wando river, South Carolina, is thought to have been the result of foul play.

A jewelry store, owned by a widow lady in Memphis, was robbed on Saturday night by a confidential employé—a German named Eggleszein—of $700 worth of watches, gold rings, etc.

The superintendent of police in Memphis has issued an order showing a determined purpose to keep fire-arms out of the pockets of loafers, gamblers and desperadoes in that city.

The largest dining-room in the world is said to be at the White Sulphur Springs, Greenbrier county, West Virginia, where 1200 people can be seated at the same time.

Mayor Tally has suspended G. W. Sherrod, chief of police of Shreveport, from office, on the charge of non-performance of duty and disobeying orders. Robert Landreaux was appointed chief of police ad interim.

The Homer Advocate says: "We learn that a carpet-bagger was shot and two negroes were killed in Bienville parish. The white man (so-called) was attending secret meetings of the negroes, and it was thought laying plans for 'rising' against the whites."

The city was somewhat enlivened yesterday by the appearance on the streets of about 150 excursionists from New Orleans, who came over on the steamer Mary. They returned in the afternoon, and it is to be hoped that their visit, though brief, was a pleasant and agreeable one.—[Mobile Register, 22d.

From the Meschacébé, of St. John Baptiste, we learn that Pierre A. Soniat, "a companion of Andrew Jackson, and one of the best representatives of the pure old Creole race," died at his residence in St. Charles parish, on the 13th inst., aged 74 years and 6 months. Our contemporary says that the deceased leaves three sons who have inherited his sterling qualities, and will honor his name.

Chief Justice Chase.

[From the New York World, June 15.]

It is creditable to the manliness and integrity of this distinguished statesman that the recent proposal of some precipitate Democrats and sensational journals to nominate him for the presidency has not caused him to swerve from the principles he has always held, nor practice the least concealment respecting the persistent firmness with which he adheres to them. There has never been any likelihood that he would receive the Democratic nomination; but the political gossip on that subject rendered it proper that he should make it evident to all the world that his impartial bearing during the impeachment trial was not the artifice of a demagogue, who, having been disappointed of a nomination by his own party, stood ready to receive the tender of one from his political opponents. In the impeachment trial he did his duty with such dignity, fairness, and independence as merit recognition by the Democratic party; and the constancy and publicity with which he maintains his political opinions should be accepted by Republicans as a proof that the chief justice was influenced by no unworthy motives.

With the opinions which Mr. Chase continues to hold, he is by far too sagacious and clear-sighted a politician to suppose that the Democratic party can have any serious thought of making him its candidate for president. While the party is compelled to recognize the existence of many unwelcome facts which it cannot reverse, it has not changed, and cannot change, its principles. The fact that the negroes will vote in the coming presidential election is a fact which the Democratic party recognizes only on compulsion, while Chief Justice Chase regards it with more than complacency, with more than satisfaction, with the joy which attends the fulfillment of a long-cherished hope. What he has so ardently desired, the Democratic party has strenuously resisted and indignantly denounced. The Democratic party may be unable to revoke what has been done; but they certainly are not going to indorse it, as they would virtually do by nominating a man who makes it the corner stone of his political creed. There is a great difference between submitting to the inevitable from sheer inability to withstand it, and placing ourselves under the guidance of a man who has aided in bringing the evil upon us. We should be glad to see Chief Justice Chase follow Mr. Blair and Senator Doolittle into the Democratic party; but as he regards negro suffrage as a blessing, instead of an atrocious, though perhaps irretrievable blunder, we do not see how he and the Democratic party can have any bond of fellowship. We did not object to a parley; but it was certain from the beginning that the mountain would not go to Mahomet, and it appears that Mahomet will not come to the mountain; which, steadfast as the chief justice is, would have been much the easier miracle.

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NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENT.

STATE OF LOUISIANA—

PARISH AND CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

BE IT KNOWN that on this seventeenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the ninety-second, Before me, ANDREW HERO, Jr., a Notary Public, in and for the parish and city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the parties whose names are hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the statutes of the State of Louisiana, relative to the organization of corporations for works of public improvement and utility, they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents covenant, agree and bind themselves, and those whom they represent, to form themselves into and constitute a Corporation for the objects and purposes, and under the stipulations and regulations following, viz:

ARTICLE FIRST.

The name and title of said Corporation shall be THE UNITED STATES NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, and the domicil thereof shall be the city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana.

ARTICLE SECOND.

The objects and purposes of said Corporation are the removal of the bars and the protection of the levees of the Mississippi and other rivers; the permanent deepening of the channels of rivers and the removal of tidal bars, as also the formation of solid marine foundations for lighthouses and other structures on quicksands or marshy soils, by the use and application of Manico's "Caisson de Fer," or improvement in marine foundations, for which a patent has been granted to Edward Manico by the Kingdom of Great Britain and by the United States of America, and of such other means, machinery, apparatus and improvements as may hereafter be discovered, invented or constructed and of which the said Corporation may acquire the right of using and working.

The President of the Board of Directors of said Company shall be the officer on whom citation may be served.

ARTICLE THIRD.

The Capital Stock of this Corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of FIVE MILLION DOLLARS, represented by Twenty Thousand Shares of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars each, of which one half, viz: Ten Thousand Shares, are reserved and set apart for the purposes expressed in the following article. The other one-half or Ten Thousand Shares, shall be subscribed and paid for at the times and in the manner following, to-wit: The subscribers to the said shares shall pay into the hands of the President, upon the Company's organization for business, twenty-five dollars on each and every share of stock subscribed by them; of the remaining two hundred and twenty-five dollars, on each and every share the shall be paid in at the office of and to the said Company five successive instalments of Twelve Dollars Fifty Cents per share, once in every four months, after thirty days public notice shall have been given of each such call, by the Board of Directors, in one or more newspapers published in the city of New Orleans. And the residue of the amount of each share, viz: One Hundred and Sixty-two Dollars Fifty Cents shall be payable on demand, at the office of said Company, after two years from the date of the said Company's organization for business, upon thirty days notice, as the Board of Directors may require.

No call shall at any one time be made for more than Twelve Dollars Fifty Cents per share, after the payment of the first instalment of ten per cent; and each and every stockholder, after the payment of said first installment, may discharge himself or her elf from all further liability for the remaining installments by so declaring at the office of said Company, at any time, and returning to the said Company his stock, or the receipts for such instalments as may have been paid. In which case, as well as in case of failure of any stockholder to make such payments as may be called for, such stockholder or stockholders shall forfeit all payments theretofore made thereon by him or her or them, and such stock shall revert to the said Company for its use and benefit, and may be either retained or resold.

ARTICLE FOURTH.

The Ten Thousand Shares, or one-half of the Capital Stock, reserved and set apart in the foregoing article, shall belong to John P. Manico, agent of Edward Manico, Edward Fontaine and John Halliday, or their assigns, the patentees and assignees of said Caisson de Fer, or Improvement in Marine Foundations, in the proportions following, viz: Five thousand shares thereof to said John P. Manico, agent; two thousand five hundred shares to said Edward Fontaine, and two thousand five hundred shares thereof to said John Halliday. Said ten thousand shares shall rank equally with the other shares, and receive an equal amount of the dividends from the profits of the company, but no payment of money shall be required from the holder thereof, whether as instalments, assessments or otherwise. All payments or assessments received from, or levied upon, the other stockholders being considered as having been already paid by the holders of said reserved shares, by reason of the transfer and assignment unto said Company by said agent, John P. Manico, and said Edward Fontaine and John Halliday, of all their rights and interests in and to said Patent, styled "Caisson de Fer," or "Improvement in Marine Foundations," and the right to use the same, and to vend it to others to use.

The acceptance of the above shares and the subscribing of their names to these Articles of Association shall imply on the part of the said John P. Manico, Agent, Edward Fontaine and John Halliday, and they do hereby make a full and complete conveyance, transfer and assignment unto the said Corporation, of all their rights and interests in the United States of America in and to the said discovery and invention, entitled "Caisson de Fer," or "Improvement in Marine Foundations," the Letters Patent granted therefor and to all future improvements upon the same.

ARTICLE FIFTH.

All powers of the Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors consisting of eight persons, each of whom shall own at least ten shares of the Capital Stock of said Corporation. On the first Monday of June in one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and annually thereafter, an election for said Board of Eight Directors shall be held at the office of the Corporation; of which election previous notice of fifteen days shall be given in two newspapers published in New Orleans. A plurality of votes (counting one vote for each share voted upon) shall be sufficient to elect such Directors, who at the first meeting after their election shall choose one of their number for President of said Board as well as of said Corporation.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the said Board or of the Corporation, and in case of his absence or inability to act, the Board of Directors shall elect one of their number President pro tem., who shall for the time being exercise the full powers of President. The failure to elect Directors as aforesaid shall not dissolve the said Corporation, but the Directors then in office shall hold over until another election is held, of which notice shall be given as above provided for, and shall continue until an election be held.

ARTICLE SIXTH.

The Board of Directors shall appoint a Secretary and all such Clerks and Agents as may be necessary, may remove the same at pleasure, fix the salaries of all officers of the Corporation and the amount of security that shall be required from any of said officers and agents, and shall make and establish such by-laws for the proper management and regulation of the affairs of the said Corporation as may be necessary and proper. A majority of the said Board shall be necessary to form a quorum, as also to elect any officer thereof; and the said Board shall also have the power to fill any vacancies that may occur therein, by death, absence or resignation, or any other cause.

ARTICLE SEVENTH.

Each shareholder, at all meetings for the election of Directors or other purposes, shall be entitled directly or by proxy to one vote on each share of stock held by him.

ARTICLE EIGHTH.

All transfer of stock shall be recorded at office of said Company in a book of transfer to be kept for that purpose. The new stockholder binding himself, or herself by the mere fact of recording such transfer to abide by all the terms conditions and stipulations of this act, and any and all the rules, regulations or by-laws, made and adopted in pursuance thereof.

ARTICLE NINTH.

This Corporation shall be, and continue for, and during the term of twenty-five years, from and after the date of these presents, and may organize for business as soon as two-thirds of its capital stock shall have been subscribed for.

ARTICLE TENTH.

The following named stockholders, viz: John Davidson, Mark F. Bigney, Charles Lesseps, William H. McLellan, Frank W. Seymour, James D. Blair, Robert Roberts and James G. Nixon are hereby constituted the first Board of Directors, who shall at their first meeting elect one of their number as President, and the said Board shall serve until superseded by their successors, to be elected as provided in Article Fifth.

ARTICLE ELEVENTH.

The Board of Directors may accept provisionally any power or privilege conferred on the Association by any amendments of the law under which the same is formed, or by the adoption of any new act of the legislature or by any act of Congress of the United States of America; but the final acceptance of any such power or privilege shall be determined by a vote of a majority in amount of the Stockholders.

ARTICLE TWELFTH.

The liquidation of the affairs of said Corporation at the termination of its charter, or if sooner determined upon by its stockholders, shall be conducted by three Stockholders duly elected by a majority in amount of the Stockholders at a meeting convened for that purpose, after sixty days' previous notice in two newspapers published in New Orleans. The period of liquidation and the amount of their compensation, as also all other privileges to be conferred upon said liquidators, shall be fixed in such manner as the said Stockholders may at such general meeting determine.

ARTICLE THIRTEENTH.

The names of the Stockholders, their residences, and the respective number of shares held by each, are for the present declared to be such as are subscribed to this act, and opposite the names of each respectively.

Thus done and passed in my office, at New Orleans aforesaid, in the presence of Messrs. James Graham and George Cenas, witnesses of lawful age, domiciliated in this city, who hereunto sign their names with the parties and me, the said notary, on the day and date aforesaid.

(Original Signed)

JOHN DAVIDSON, E. FONTAINE,
D. MURPHET, F. W. SEYMOUR,
M. F. BIGNY, JOHN LEEDS,
W. H. McCLELLAN, E. A. TYLER,
JNO. P. MANICO, Agent, JNO. HALLIDAY,
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NATURAL GAS COMPANY.

STATE OF LOUISIANA—

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

Be it known, that on this twenty-first day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight, before me, Pierre Charles Cuvellier, notary public, in and for the city of New Orleans, Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn, personally came and appeared the parties whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the statutes of the State of Louisiana, relative to the organization of corporations in this State they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents covenant, agree and bind themselves, and those whom they represent, to form themselves into and constitute a corporation for the objects and purposes, and under the stipulations and regulations following, that is to say:

ARTICLE FIRST.

The name and title of said corporation shall be THE LOUISIANA NATURAL GAS COMPANY, and its domicil is established in the city of New Orleans.

ARTICLE SECOND

The object and purpose of said Corporation is to extract from the soil of the State of Louisiana the natural gas ascertained to exist below its surface, and to improve, utilize, collect and distribute the same, by the use of the means and machinery invented by Caleb S. Hunt, William F. Pratt and Peter M. Peterson, for which application for a patent has been filed, and of such other means, machinery, apparatus, improvements mechanical or chemical, as may hereafter be discovered, devised, invented or constructed by the patentees or others from whom said Company may acquire the right of using and working the same.

ARTICLE THIRD.

The capital stock of this Corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of ($210,000) Two Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars, represented by (2100) twenty-one hundred shares of ($100) one hundred dollars each, of which one-third, say (700) seven hundred shares are reserved and set apart for the purposes expressed in the article following; the other two thirds, or (1400) fourteen hundred shares, shall be subscribed and paid for as follows: The subscribers to the said Company shall pay into the hands of the President, upon its organization for business, ten dollars on each and every share of stock subscribed by them, the remaining ninety dollars per share payable on demand at the office of the Company after thirty days' notice, as the Board of Directors may require; but no call shall at any one time be made for more than ten dollars per share and every stockholder, after the payment of the first installment of ten per cent, may discharge himself from all further liability for the remaining installments by so declaring at the office of the Company, at any time, provided it be before the expiration of the thirty days' notice above mentioned, in which case such stockholder shall forfeit all payments theretofore made by him.

ARTICLE FOURTH.

The (700) seven hundred shares or one-third of the capital stock reserved and set apart in the foregoing article, shall belong to the said C. S. Hunt, Wm. F. Pratt and P. M. Peterson, the discoverers or patentees named in article second or their assigns, and shall rank equally with the other shares, but no payment of money shall be required from the holders thereof; all payments or assessments received from or levied upon the other stockholders being considered as having already been paid by the holders of said reserved shares, that is to say, when (25) twenty-five per cent, on the amount subscribed for on the other shares is paid, then (25) twenty-five per cent. on the amount of the said reserved shares shall be considered as having been also paid; when (50) fifty per cent. is paid on the other shares, the reserved shares shall be rated as stock on which (50) fifty per cent. has been paid, and so on.

But all dividends of the profits of the Company shall be equally paid to the holders of all shares in proportion only to the number of shares held by each, but no share upon which an installment shall be due shall be entitled to receive any dividend.

The acceptance of the above shares and the subscribing of their names to these articles of association, shall imply on the part of the said C. S. Hunt, Wm. F. Pratt and P. M. Peterson, a full conveyance, transfer and assignment of all their rights in the State of Louisiana to their discovery or invention, whether the same is patentable or equitable, and to all future improvements on the same.

The said patentees shall further be entitled to receive from the said Company ($7000) seven thousand dollars, as a compensation for their expenses in past and future experiments in connection with their discovery, which said sum shall be made up: 1st By allowing them (50) fifty per cent. on the first assessment on shares subscribed by others, and, 2d, either out of the profits of the Company, or out of a like proportion on future assessments.

ARTICLE FIFTH.

These articles of association may be modified or altered, and the capital stock may be increased to any sum not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) in the manner provided by law, with the consent of two-thirds in amount of all the stockholders, obtained in general meeting, convened after thirty days' notice.

Whenever any increase of capital shall be duly authorized, sixty days' notice of the same shall be given in two newspapers published in the city of New Orleans, within which time stockholders shall have the privilege of taking additional shares, in proportion to the amount of their stock and any shares not taken at the expiration of that time may be disposed of by the directors for the benefit of the Association, but not at less than par value.

ARTICLE SIXTH.

All powers of this Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors, consisting of five persons, each of whom shall own in his own right at least ($2500) twenty-five hundred dollars of the capital stock of said Association.

ARTICLE SEVENTH.

On the first Monday in April, 1869, and annually thereafter, an election of five directors by the stockholders shall be held at the office of the Corporation; of which election previous notice of at least ten days shall be given in two newspapers published in the city of New Orleans.

ARTICLE EIGHTH.

A plurality of votes (counting one vote for each share of stock voted upon) shall be sufficient to elect Directors, who shall, at their first meeting after their election, choose one of their number for President of the Association, who shall be elected by a majority of the whole Board, and upon whom all citations and other legal process shall be served.

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Board, and in case of his absence or inability to act, the Board shall elect one of their number pro tem., who shall for the time exercise the full powers of President.

All elections shall be by ballot, under the superintendence of two inspectors appointed by the Board, at least one week prior to any election, and in case of absence, neglect or refusal to act of such inspectors, the President of the Board may appoint others in their place.

ARTICLE NINTH.

A majority of the Board shall be necessary to form a quorum, and a decision of such majority shall be a valid corporate act.

The Board of Directors shall have full power and are hereby authorized to buy and sell such real and personal property as may be required for the use of the Company.

ARTICLE TENTH.

The Board of Directors shall appoint a secretary and all clerks and agents, and may remove the same at pleasure, and shall fix the salaries of all officers of the Corporation and the amount of security that shall be required from any of said officers and agents. Said Board may also delegate such powers in the transaction of the ordinary business of the Company to committees of their own body, or their officers or agents, as they may deem expedient, and may also appoint agents within and without the State, under such conditions as to them shall seem proper; and they shall have the power to make by-laws, rules and regulations, and to amend and alter the same whenever the interests of the Corporation may require it; and shall also have the power to supply any vacancies that may occur in their Board. Such vacancies may be declared on account of death, resignation, want of the requisite number of shares, insolvency or absence without leave for three successive months.

ARTICLE ELEVENTH.

Books for registry and transfer of shares of the capital stock shall be opened and kept subject to the restrictions directed by the By-Laws. All transfers of shares shall be made on said books and signed by the stockholder or his attorney, and which said book the Directors may close as often as convenience or expediency may require, but not for a longer period than ten days at a time.

Should any subscriber to the stock desire to transfer the same previous to full payment having been made, he shall be permitted to do so by a substitute of the subscription of the party purchasing; provided, that the substitute is satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE TWELFTH.

A failure from any cause to elect Directors on the day named for that purpose, shall not dissolve the Association, but the Directors then in office shall hold over until another election is held, of which notice shall be given as provided for in Article Eighth, and continue until an election be held.

ARTICLE THIRTEENTH.

Each shareholder, at all meetings for the election of Directors or other purposes, shall be entitled directly, or by proxy to vote on each share of stock held by him; provided that he shall have owned his stock at least one month prior to the day of voting.

ARTICLE FOURTEENTH.

This corporation shall exist for the term of twenty-five years from the date of the recording of this charter in the office of the Recorder of Mortgages in this city.

And the operations of the Company may commence and be carried on with only one-half of its capital stock subscribed for.

ARTICLE FIFTEENTH.

The following named stockholders, viz: George Foster, J. M. Lapeyre, C. E. Girardey, Glendy Burke and Caleb S. Hunt are hereby constituted the first Board of Directors, who shall, at their first meeting elect one of their number as President, and said Board shall serve until superseded by their successors, to be elected as provided in Article Seventh.

ARTICLE SIXTEENTH.

The Board of Directors may accept, provisionally any power or privilege conferred on this Association by any amendments of the law under which the same is formed, or by the adoption of any new act of the Legislature; but the final acceptance of any such power and privilege shall be determined by a vote of the majority in amount of the stockholders.

ARTICLE SEVENTEENTH.

The liquidation of the affairs of the Association shall be made by three commissioners, appointed by the Stockholders, at a meeting convened for that purpose after sixty days' previous notice in two newspapers published in New Orleans; said liquidators shall be solvent persons residing in this city, not indebted to the Association; their term of office shall be assigned, and all necessary power conferred upon them.

The period of liquidation shall be fixed, as well as their compensation, in such manner as the stockholders may, by resolutions, in general meeting convened, determine.

ARTICLE EIGHTEENTH.

The names of the stockholders, their residences, and the number of shares held by each respectively, are for the present declared to be such as are subscribed to this act, and opposite the names of each respectively.

Thus done and passed, in my office, at the said city of New Orleans, in the presence of Adolphe Blache and Henry M. Hyams, Jr., competent witnesses, who hereunto sign their names, together with the said parties, and me the said notary, on the day, month and year first above written.

Original signed: GEO. FOSTER and others.
P. CHS. CUVELLIER, Notary Public.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

Be it Known, That on this eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and of the independence of the United States the ninety-second, before me, Edward Ivy, a notary public, in and for the City and Parish of New Orleans, State of Louisiana aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn, personally came and appeared the parties hereinafter named and undersigned, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the statutes of the State of Louisiana relative to the organization of corporations in this State, they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents covenant, agree and bind themselves, and those whom they represent, to form themselves into and constitute a corporation for the objects and purposes, and under the stipulations, regulations and obligations following, to-wit:

ARTICLE I.

The name and title of said Company shall be the "NEW ORLEANS STEAMSHIP COMPANY," and its domicil is hereby established in the city of New Orleans and it shall exist and continue for the term of twenty-five years from the date of these presents, unless sooner dissolved, as hereinafter provided for. It shall have a corporate seal with a device upon the same and the name of the Company upon the margin thereof.

ARTICLE II.

The object of said company is to construct or otherwise procure and maintain one or more steamships, to constitute a line or lines of steamships, to be owned and controlled in the city of New Orleans, and to trade between said city and any port or ports on the Atlantic coast or Gulf of Mexico.

The manager of said company shall be the proper person on whom to serve citations, notices and other legal process wherein the said Company may be interested.

ARTICLE III.

The capital stock of said Company is hereby fixed at the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, divided into shares of Fifty Dollars each, all of which to be paid at or before the signing of these presents; which capital may be increased to an amount not exceeding one million, if the same should be required by two-thirds capital.

ARTICLE IV.

The affairs of said Company shall be under the direction and management of Edward Higgins who shall at any time have the privilege of associating with him one or more persons from among the stockholders of the Company, subject to the approval of the Board of Control who shall act as a Board of Agents to assist in transacting the business of said Company.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the stockholders of the Company shall be held annually, commencing on the first Tuesday in February, 1869, at which meeting a majority in capital shall choose five of their number to serve as Directors for the ensuing year, who shall constitute and form a Board of Control, of which the said Manager shall be Chairman and entitled to one vote on all matters brought before it; and until the election of Directors as aforesaid, the following named persons shall constitute the first Board of Control, viz: M. J. SMITH, WM. CREEVY, J. PEMBERTON, J. ARMSTRONG, J. McCLOSKEY.

SEC. 2. The failure to elect Directors, as aforesaid, shall not dissolve the said corporation, but the Board in office shall continue to exercise its functions, until a new Board can be elected.

SEC. 3. Three members of said Board of Control shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the said Board is hereby invested with full power to frame and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations as they may deem requisite and necessary for the Company and the transaction of its affairs; provided, the same shall not conflict with the true intent and meaning of this Act of Incorporation, or with the laws of this State. And in the temporary absence of the Manager they may select a Chairman to preside at their meeting. They shall have power, and are hereby authorized to buy and sell steamships, fuel, real estate, etc., for the uses of the Company; to make contracts, leases, mortgages, hypothecations and compromises; to fix salaries of officers and employes; to borrow money, and to build or cause to be built steamships for the use of said Company.

SEC. 4. If any member of said Board shall cease to be a Stockholder of said Company during his term of service, his office shall be declared vacant; and in the event of the death, permanent absence, or resignation of any member of said Board of Control, the said Board of Control shall have power to fill vacancies occasioned thereby until the first regular meeting thereafter of the Stockholders for the election of officers of the Company.

SEC. 5. The said Board shall meet monthly for the transaction of business, and the Manager may call them together at any time, by giving six hours' notice in writing.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Manager to keep, or cause to be kept, in bound books, in the name of the Company, a correct record of the proceedings, transactions, accounts, property, business and affairs, as well as a full and complete account of the receipts and disbursements thereof. He shall moreover act as Treasurer of the Company, and keep a cash account in one of the banks or banking companies, of this city, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, in the name and for account of the Company, and to be alone authorized and empowered to draw checks, to be countersigned by the Secretary, and transact all banking business thereof.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Manager of said Company to exhibit, or cause to be exhibited to the Stockholders, whenever thereto required by them, all the books, papers, accounts and documents belonging to said Company, and also submit to them on or before the twentieth of each month a detailed statement of the business and affairs of the Company during the preceding month.

SEC. 3. In the event of the resignation, permanent absence or death of the Manager, the Board of Control shall immediately proceed to appoint a Manager pro tem., who shall act as such until the first annual meeting thereafter of the Stockholders at which meeting the Stockholders shall proceed to elect a manager from among themselves who shall be subject to election annually thereafter; and in the case of the temporary absence of the Manager, the aforesaid Board of Control shall have power to appoint a Manager pro tem.

SEC. 4. At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Company, the Manager may make a report of such matters and things as he may deem expedient and necessary for the interest of the Company, at which meeting each share of stock in the said Company shall be entitled to one vote on all matters brought before it.

SEC. 5. The said Manager shall have power to appoint a Secretary, agents and other employes annually, and oftener if vacancies should occur, subject to the approval of the Board of Control; and he may remove said Secretary, agents, or other employes at any time, without the sanction of said Board.

ARTICLE VII.

On the expiration of the said term of twenty-five years, hereinbefore agreed upon for the existence of said Company, a majority of the stockholders in capital shall have power to determine upon the mode of selling, and disposing of all the property and effects belonging to said Company, and also to decide upon and fix the terms and conditions of the sale or disposition thereof, and finally of winding up and liquidating its affairs to the best advantage.

ARTICLE VIII.

Three-fourths of the stockholders in capital shall have the power to wind up and settle the business and affairs of said Company, at any time during its existence, or of making any modifications, additions or changes to this act, on giving sixty days previous notice in two of the newspapers published in this city.

ARTICLE IX.

All transfers of stocks shall be made in the office of the Company, and recorded in a book of transfer to be kept for that purpose. The new stockholder binding himself in said act of transfer to abide by all the terms, conditions and stipulations of this act and all or any rules, regulations or by-laws made and adopted in pursuance thereof.

ARTICLE X.

No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts, or faults of said Company, beyond the amount of his stock in said Company, nor shall any mere informality in the organization of said Company have the effect of rendering the present charter null, or of exposing a Stockholder to any greater liability than the amount of his stock therein.

ARTICLE XI.

The said Company shall sue and be sued in its corporate name and capacity, and plead and be impleaded accordingly.

ARTICLE XII.

The following named persons are Stockholders in said Company, and as such are entitled to the number of shares placed opposite to their names respectively, to-wit:

M. J. Smith, Wm. Creevy, Jno. Armstrong, Thos. B. Lee, Geo. G. Garner, J. B. Marison, Geo. W. Manson, J. H. Stauffer, W. A. Shropshire, John Pemberton, Edw'd A. York, Harmon Doane, C. H. Bradshaw, David McCoard, Kennett & Bell, Wm. M. Perkins, A. Miltenberger & Co., Wilhelmus Bogart, and others.

ARTICLE XIII.

The Board of Control shall be empowered to receive further subscriptions to said Capital Stock, until the amount subscribed shall have reached the aforesaid sum of one million.

ARTICLE XIV.

This Association shall go into operation as soon as the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed for. And, in conclusion, the stockholders hereinbefore named, in confirmation of the aforesaid stipulations, covenants and agreements ordained and established by the present act, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, and to that effect only, do hereunto subscribe their names respectively.

Thus done and passed at the city of New Orleans aforesaid, the day, month and year first above written, in the presence of Geo. Clark and F. McC. Swain, competent witnesses, who hereunto sign their names with said parties and me, notary.

John Pemberton, E. Rigney, Geo. W. Manson,
William Creevy, Marshall J. Smith, C. H. Bradshaw,
Jas. McCloskey, J. A. Bradbury, M. D., Edward Higgins,
Jno. Armstrong, Edw. A. Yorke.
EDWARD IVY, Notary Public.
In presence of Geo. Clark, F. McC. Swain.

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