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THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 9, 1868.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

G. DE FERRET sells, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants and Auctioneers Exchange, real estate.

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, July 7, 1868.

The board met pursuant to adjournment—Present, Mr. Alfred Kearny, president; and Messrs. Rose, Aitkens, Walker, Camp, Starcken, Fisher, Pandely, Farrell, Breen and Montgomery.

On motion, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Fisher, the rules were suspended for the purpose of introducing the following resolutions, which were adopted and ordered to be sent to the upper board for concurrence:

Resolved, That a joint committee, consisting of the finance committees of both boards, be appointed to wait upon the legislature, and lay before that body the present condition of the finances of the city, and to request such legislation as at the earliest possible period enable the city to redeem its currency and provide for the payment of its outstanding debt.

Resolved, That the mayor be requested to serve on said committee as chairman thereof.

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Resolved further, That said committee be requested to report at its next meeting, as early as possible, and that to facilitate it in the discharge of its duties it be empowered to send for persons, books and papers.

In compliance with this last resolution, the president caused to be announced the following committee: Pandely, Rose, Breen, Montgomery.

The following communication from the mayor was received:

MATURITY OF NEW ORLEANS. City Hall, 7th day of July, 1868.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New Orleans.

Gentlemen—I have the honor to inform you that the emperor of the French, Napoleon III, has, through Mr. Gonthier, commissioner to the Paris Exposition, presented to the city of New Orleans his History of Julius Caesar.

This celebrated work, in two volumes, imperial edition, was formally printed in my hands, as the representative of the city, at the public distribution of exposition medals, at the Varieties Theater, the 10th ultimo.

It is a token of the good will which the emperor bears to our city, fostered by Bienville, and so long nourished and protected by the French kings and his illustrious uncle, Napoleon I.

The boldness, clearness and beauty of the typography of this imperial edition make it a model of the art, presenting an art and so many illustrations of the campaigns of the great Roman are both accurate and finely limned; while the portrait of Caesar, a precise copy of the celebrated statue which has transmitted his features to posterity, is remarkable alike for its fidelity and exquisite finish.

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It deserves some appropriate official notice at the hands of the Common Council, so that the gift may be placed among the archives of the city, and the present government shall bear testimony to the good will of the emperor of France for one who has not only the soil of New Orleans in the days of his adversity, but sends her this token of his remembrance in the proudest days of his prosperity.

Very respectfully, JOHN R. CONWAY, Mayor.

The treasurer's report for the week ending Saturday, June 27, 1868, showing receipts \$59,983.88, expenditures \$64,319.40, balance on hand \$17,770.50 was referred to the finance committee.

Mr. Starcken offered the following resolution, which passed its second reading, and was ordered to be sent to the upper board for concurrence:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to the sheriff of the Criminal Court, of this parish, to occupy his office, the vacant room on C. Peter street, under the First District Court room, (formerly occupied by a deputy state commissioner), provided no expense accrue to the city of New Orleans by reason of the permission thus granted.

Mr. Rose offered the following resolution, which was referred to the finance committee:

Resolved, That the controller of this city shall, after the passage of this resolution and approved by the mayor, and after having given ten days notice thereof in the official journal, adjudge and sell at his office to the highest bidder, in accordance with the market ordinances, the revenues of Dryades Market, for one month or to 31st December, 1868, the city reserving the right to annul the lease in one day notice without damages.

Mr. Breen offered the following resolution, which was referred to the city surveyor:

Resolved, That the surveyor be instructed to examine all fences on the lands of the parishes, Fourth District, and report the necessary repairs and expense at the next regular meeting of the council.

Mr. Pemberton here entered and took his seat.

The following resolution returned by the mayor (June 23d, 1868,) without his signature, was called up and referred to the finance committee:

Resolved, That the sum of sixteen hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of procuring the necessary books of records to record the judgments against citizens, and in favor of the city for taxes, and for the purpose of recording said judgments in the office of the register of mortgages, the same to be expended under the direction of the finance committee.

Mr. Wynne here entered and took his seat.

The following resolutions, also returned by the mayor without his signature, were called up, and, on motion, persisted in, notwithstanding the mayor's veto, and ordered to be transmitted to the upper board for concurrence:

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General Assembly with a view to relieve the financial embarrassment of the city, was returned by the upper board amended so as to require the committee to report to the City Council, before waiting upon the legislature, what changes they intend recommending to that body. The amendment was rejected.

The resolution inviting the upper board to meet this board in joint session, for the election of an official journal, etc., was received from the upper board so amended as to fix the hour of meeting at 8 o'clock P. M. instant. The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wynne offered the following resolution, which passed its several readings and was sent to the upper board for concurrence:

WHEREAS, his honor, the mayor, has communicated to the Boards of Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen, the receipt for the tax on the property of the city, from his imperial majesty, the Emperor of the French, his "History of Caesar," as a token of his sympathy and good-will for our people; and

WHEREAS, this unexpected gift from the head of a nation renowned for its statesmanship, literary attainments, his efforts for the advancement of Europe in the arts, and the promotion of good-will among all nations; and

WHEREAS, in view of the friendly relations which have existed between the United States and the French nation since the foundation of our republic, and especially his sympathy for the people of this State; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That the thanks of our constituents, the people, be communicated to his imperial majesty, the Emperor of the French, for his valuable gift of the "History of Caesar."

Resolved, That the mayor be, and is hereby authorized, to have the volumes suitably bound, inscribed and placed for preservation and public inspection in the archives of the city government.

Resolved, That the mayor be, and is hereby requested, to transmit a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to the secretary of state at Washington, for transmission to his imperial majesty, the Emperor of the French.

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