The New Orleans Crescent.

TUESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 1, 1868.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

FIFTY-FOURTH DAY.

Senate.

MONDAY, Aug. 31, 1868.

The Senate was called to order by the president at 12 o'clock.

A full quorum was present.

Prayer by the chaplain, Rev. Mr. Turner.

Reading of the minutes dispensed with.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Ray, from the committee on judiciary, reported favorably with amendments upon an act relative to district attorneys.

The committee on registration, on the part of the Senate, reported that they had prepared a bill to be submitted to the committee on the part of the House, which had not yet been appointed.

A communication from the city authorities was received, stating that the police were in a dreadful state of destitution and asking that something be done to alleviate the sufferings of themselves and families.

On motion of Mr. Ray, the memorial was referred to the finance committee.

A memorial from the Male and Female Harmonial Benevolent Association, asking to be incorporated.

On motion of Mr. Ray, referred to committee on corporations.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. O'Hara offered a resolution to the effect that, in view of the vacancy occurring in the Senate, hereafter eighteen members shall constitute a quorum.

Mr. Blackman spoke against the resolution on the ground of its unconstitutionality.

Mr. Bacon moved to refer the resolution to the judiciary committee.

Mr. O'Hara moved to lay the motion on the table.

The chair decided that the resolution of Mr. O'Hara was against the rules of the house, and therefore out of order.

Mr. Lewis presented a petition from D. E. Haynes, complaining of atrocities at the hands of the Confederates during the war, and especially against Major Patrick Keary and one Bob Martin, in consequence of which he is a cripple, and asking for relief. Referred to the committee on claims.

On a suspension of the rules, Mr. Wittgenstein introduced a bill relative to the University of Louisiana. Read twice and referred to the committee on education and ordered to be printed.

BILLS ACCORDING TO PREVIOUS NOTICE.

An act amendatory to an act fixing compensation of employés, etc., of the Legislature. Read twice and referred to the finance committee.

Mr. Ray, the rules being suspended, introduced an act fixing the fees of clerks of criminal courts. Referred to the finance committee.

Also, an act relative to the improvement of the Opossum Fork Levee, in the State of Arkansas. Referred to internal improvements committee.

Also, an act to amend article 575 of the Code of Practice. Referred to judiciary committee.

Also an act to amend article 325 of the Civil Code. Referred to judiciary committee.

Also an act to amend an act relative to criminal proceedings, approved March 14, 1855. Referred to judiciary committee.

A message from the governor was received.

Also, an act to incorporate the Teche Navigation Company. Referred to committee on internal improvements.

Also, an act for the relief of Alfred Shaw. Referred to committee on claims.

Mr. Wilcox asked for a suspension of the rules to take up Senate bill 124.

The Senate refused to suspend the rules.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The majority report of the committee on elections in the case of P. B. S. Pinchbeck vs. E. L. Jewell, was taken up.

Mr. Lewis moved that the doors be closed and members be not allowed to leave the room.

The chair stated it would require a suspension of the rules to make the motion.

Mr. Smith moved that the rules be suspended to allow Mr. Lewis to make his motion. The yeas and nays being ordered the Senate refused to suspend the rules—yeas 14, nays 8—two-thirds being necessary to suspend the rules.

Mr. Braughn moved that the report of the committee on elections be made the special order of the day on Wednesday next.

Mr. Smith moved to lay on the table.

The clerk of the House appeared with a communication from the House, announcing concurrence in several Senate bills, and asking for concurrence in several House bills.

Mr. Coupland, as a member of the committee, said that if he were assured that there would be a quorum on Wednesday, he was willing to postpone.

Mr. Lewis asked Mr. Braughn if he would pledge himself that there would be a quorum on Wednesday.

Mr. Braughn answered that he would consider himself in a measure bound, but not having consulted his side of the house, he could not answer for them.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Campbell said that the occurrences of Saturday, the breaking of the quorum by the Democrats, compelled them not to accede to the demand for a postponement.

Mr. Braughn called for the yeas and nays on the motion to lay on the table. Laid on the table—13 yeas, 9 nays.

Mr. Blackman denied that the conduct of Democrats, on Saturday, was reprehensible. So far as breaking the quorum was concerned, he could say that he would break the quorum as long as the opposite side were determined in refusing to grant time until absent members returned.

Mr. Wilcox moved to postpone to Thursday, that the doors be closed and the Senate act in secret session.

Mr. Poindexter moved to lay on the table. The yeas and nays were called for. Laid on the table.

Mr. O'Hara called for the previous question.

Mr. Blackman moved to adjourn.

Mr. Ogden called for the yeas and nays.

Democratic members arose and commenced walking out one by one.

Only fifteen members voted on the adjournment.

Mr. Lewis alluded to the ridiculous brain that had framed a rule empowering a sergeant-at-arms to bring in absent members, and did not empower him to keep them in.

A call of the house was ordered. Sixteen members only answered to their names.

On motion of Mr. Campbell the sergeant-at-arms was sent after absent members.

Mr. Campbell moved that the doors be closed and members forbidden to leave the room, and read from article thirty-third of the rules, which gives authority to the sergeant-at-arms to "compel members to attend."

Mr. Foute denied the right of the House to act on the motion without a quorum.

Mr. Campbell renewed his motion.

A viva voce division followed in favor of Mr. Campbell's motion.

Mr. Foute, the only Democratic member present.

The doorkeeper was ordered to keep the door shut.

Half an hour having elapsed, several members returned and a call of the house was ordered; twenty members answered to their names.

Mr. Ray arose and moved that the report be made the special order of the day on Thursday at 1 o'clock.

Mr. Lewis arose on a point of order, and said that when the quorum was broken the previous question was standing.

The chair said that it had been called but not yet ordered.

Mr. Lewis said that unless he was promised that a quorum would be present on Thursday, he would move the previous question.

The clerk of the House announced concurrence in Senate bill, to create a metropolitan police district.

Mr. Bacon remarked that senators had returned of their own free will.

Mr. O'Hara moved to lay Mr. Ray's motion on the table.

Mr. Braughn called for the yeas and nays. The motion was laid on the table. Yeas 13, nays 11.

Mr. O'Hara moved the previous question, on the adoption of the report.

Mr. Blackman called for executive session.

Mr. O'Hara, on a point of order, maintained that a call for executive session could not be entertained pending a call for the previous question.

The chair said that he was of opinion that pending a call for the previous question a call for executive session could not be made; he preferred to leave it to the division of the Senate.

Mr. Blackman maintained his position.

The chair decided the motion of Mr. Blackman out of order.

Cries of "question."

Mr. Blackman called the attention of the chair to the fact that resolutions existed giving the rights to contestants to plead their own case.

The chair remarked that such was the case, but Mr. Jewell was absent.

Mr. Ogden moved that A. Lefevre, who had notified against Jewell, be introduced, as he understood Lefevre had since retracted.

Majority report was adopted by 16 yeas, 8 nays. Mr. Smith changed his vote to yea, and gave notice that he would move a reconsideration on Monday. The motion having been made before the vote was announced, the motion was declared out of order.

Mr. Poindexter moved a reconsideration.

Mr. O'Hara to lay on the table.

On motion of Mr. O'Hara, Mr. Blackman was permitted to speak.

Mr. Blackman spoke at some lehgth upon the injustice being done to Mr. Jewell.

Mr. Lewis said that the action of the minority in attempting to rule the Senate had brought about this thing upon themselves.

Mr. Ogden asked the courtesy of the Senate to make a personal explanation.

The reconsideration was laid on the table.

Mr. O'Hara moved that Mr. P. B. S. Pinchback be sworn in as senator for the second district.

Mr. Ogden—Mr. President, I rise to make a personal explanation. I will endeavor to be as concise as I can, under the circumstances. I desire to place myself, before the constituency which I represent, in a proper light. When the question was put upon the adoption of the majority report I voted in the negative. I subsequently asked permission of the Senate to change my vote, alleging as a reason that I intended to move a reconsideration on some future day. My vote as it stands now would indicate that I voted with the majority, and I desire that no such impression as that should go abroad. I desire that my vote now should be regarded as I originally intended—amongst the few men in the Senate who voted in the negative. When I say this, it is with no disrespect to Mr. Pinchback, who has secured the seat of my distinguished friend, Mr. Jewell; but feeling that as Senator Blackman has said, in time to come, when all partisan feeling shall have subsided and calm reason resumes its sway, the action of the Senate to-day will be stamped as the most unheard of injustice that has ever been perpetrated upon any man. Mr. Jewell has been refused, upon a simple technicality, a hearing before this house. The gentleman from the Second District seems to think it a strange thing that we, the minority, should avail ourselves of the only means of defense we had—that of breaking a quorum. I will say to the gentleman he sees, like Macbeth, a thousand murdered Banquos crowding around him. His heart has not been as it should have been upon the matter before the house. It is true he has the same right to his opinions as I have, but he has been clearly, radically wrong and unjust, denying the sitting member the poor privilege of arguing his case. He has wronged a gentleman who may have been somewhat bitter in his partisanship, but who was certainly entitled to the right always given a man whose election is contested to plead his case. That, sir, is the reason I desire my vote to go before my constituents as I originally intended. I have no personal objections to Mr. Pinchback, but the idea that he, who did not in our opinion receive the necessary votes to elect him a senator, should be voted in by the mere numerical strength of his party, must of necessity be repellant to us. I hope, sir, this action on the part of the Senate will reflect discredit upon it in all time to come. I thank the Senate for the courtesy they have always extended to me personally, but this is a question of policy, and I believe that the best policy, even for the Republican party, would have been to give a fair and impartial hearing to Mr. Jewell, as well as to Mr. Pinchback, and to have taken the evidence of Mr. Lefevre, which he has modified, and admitted was incorrect as taken before the committee, before finally deciding the case. A senator complained, at the time when I had the misfortune to be one of the parties interested, that we were constantly moving the previous question; but I remember that in several instances it was withdrawn out of courtesy, but on this occasion, sir, no such courtesy has been extended. I tell you, gentlemen, that this action will not only be condemned, but I believe that the very gentlemen who have supported this unyielding course will regret it. I now ask to have my vote changed from aye to no.

Mr. Pinchback was sworn in.

The Senate then went into executive session, and thereafter adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House met at noon, Speaker Lowell presiding.

Sixty-one members present.

Minutes dispensed with.

Upon motion of Matthews, of Tensas, (chairman) the report of the penitentiary committee (which has been printed) was accepted.

By permission, Lott, of Rapides, gave notice of a bill incorporating the Rapides Navigation Company.

FIRST READING OF BILLS.

By Reese, of Lafourche—A bill amending section fourth of an act "relative to judicial and other sales made at public auction." Read twice and referred to the judiciary committee.

By Carr, of Orleans—A bill supplementary to the act of 1821, incorporating the New Orleans Mechanics' Society. Read twice and sent to corporations committee.

By Moore, of Plaquemines—A bill regulating the oyster fisheries of the State. Read twice and sent to committees on judiciary and federal relations.

By Matthews, of Tensas—An act to provide the Penitentiary with machinery, etc. Read twice, ordered printed and sent to the committee of the whole.

By Melvin, of Natchitoches—An act appropriating $42,200 to pay the debts of the State due for the Penitentiary. Read twice and sent to the committee of the whole.

Holland, of Tensas, introduced a petition from citizens of Tensas parish asking aid in rebuilding levees. Sent to committee on public lands and levees.

A petition from various policemen detailed about the Institute, asking either an appropriation or a loan, was sent to the committee on ways and means.

A message from the governor was here read, announcing his approval and signature of the bill appropriating $100,000 to pay the expenses of the General Assembly, and the bill granting a pension to Mrs. T. A. Montague.

A communication from the mayor of New Orleans was here read, inclosing a petition from several policemen asking aid. Sent to the ways and means committee.

A communication from the Police Jury of Iberville parish was received, asking the Legislature to take no action towards the opening of Bayou Plaquemine. Referred to the delegates from the parishes of Iberville, St. Martin and St. Mary.

The clerk then announced the following House delegations to conference committees asked by the Senate:

On the registration bill—Morey of Ouachita, Gray of St. James, and DeGrange of Orleans.

On the "intolerance resolutions"—McMillen of Carroll, Murrell of Lafourche, and Landers of Union.

The bill imposing a tax of one per cent. on all property in the State, which on Saturday was recommended to the House by the committee of the whole, was ordered engrossed.

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

The metropolitan police bill passed by a vote of 44 to 18, and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

The bill fixing the compensation of coroners, which had been reported upon unfavorably on Saturday by the judiciary committee, was taken up, the report of the committee agreed in, and the bill killed.

Senate bill incorporating the North Louisiana and Texas Railroad Co., reported upon favorably by railroad committee, deferred until to-day.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

A bill to protect the health of the people of New Orleans and the right bank, parish of Orleans, and a substitute to the same effect, viz: the removal of the slaughter-houses below the city. Cuney, of Rapides, moved to defer for one week. Demorest, of St. Mary, moved to amend by inserting five weeks; lost—when Cuney's motion prevailed.

An act relative to the inspection of steam boilers—on motion of Mr. Carr, of Orleans, deferred till next Tuesday (8th).

An act defining duties, jurisdiction and emoluments of coroners—ordered engrossed and calendared.

An act relative to marriage, ordered engrossed and calendared.

An act appropriating $25,000 to clear out bayous Courtableau and Boeuf—sent to committee on internal improvements.

An act to regulate quarantine. This provides for the immediate and free passage through the Rigolets of all vessels coming from uninfested domestic ports. Calendared.

An act providing for the yearly assessing by the State auditor of a tax sufficient to pay the interest and a portion of the principal of such State bonds as are not now in any other manner provided for. Sent to the committee of the whole.

An act repealing the various acts supplementary to the act incorporating the town of Franklin. Committee on corporations.

An act providing for the removal of obstructions in Bayou Teche. Committee on internal improvements.

An act relative to suits for separation and divorce. Laid on the table.

An act incorporating the New Orleans News Association. Referred to corporations committee.

A bill relative to issuance of bills of lading and transfer of property. Judiciary committee.

An act amending the law relative to flour inspectors. Committee on commerce and manufactures.

An act fixing the pay of the police commissioners appointed July 9, 1868. Committee of the whole.

A joint resolution forbidding the payment of money for other expenses of the General Assembly than the per diem of members and other employés. Laid on the table.

An act authorizing the closing of Bayou Benoist, parish of Bossier. Referred to committee on internal improvements.

Carr, of Orleans, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the House ordered engrossed the bill relative to coroners. Carried.

SENATE BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

A joint resolution appointing a joint committee to investigate the records of the register of conveyances of parish of Orleans. Rules suspended, resolution finally passed and sent to the governor.

A joint resolution giving to the United States jurisdiction over federal cemeteries in the State. Rules suspended and finally passed.

A joint resolution requesting the return of the statue of Washington, stolen from our State House during the war. Rules suspended and finally passed.

An act for the relief of Wm. Pierson, of Union parish—appropriating $250 for that purpose. Referred to committee of the whole.

An act relative to public roads. Committee on parochial affairs.

An act preventing judges from repealing fines and imprisonment once imposed. Judiciary committee, and ordered to be printed.

An act relative to the appointment of deputy clerks of district courts. Judiciary committee.

An act amending the act of incorporation of the Louisiana Central Stem of the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad Company. Corporations committee.

An act for the relief of J. Emondston. Claims committee.

An act granting the right of provisional seizure in other cases than those now allowed by law. Rules suspended and bill finally passed by a vote of 47 to 12.

An act relative to works of improvement in New Orleans. Referred to special committee on city charter.

An act giving jurisdiction to the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh District Courts in certain cases of separation, divorce and emancipation o minors. Judiciary committee.

An act amending the law relative to public printing. Printing committee.

An act repealing the law requiring the publication of judicial advertisements in French. Judiciary committee.

An act removing the seat of justice of Madison parish to Delta. Rules suspended and finally passed.

Cureil, of Orleans, gave notice that on Tuesday he will move a reconsideration.

An act relative to the inspection of weights and measures in the right bank, Orleans parish. Rules suspended and bill finally adopted.

A bill relative to the minor children of the late R. W. and S. L. Goodwin. Judiciary committee.

An act establishing a recorder's court in Jefferson City. Judiciary committee.

An act amending the law relative to the adoption of children. Judiciary committee.

An act authorizing C. T. Shine to change his name to C. T. Rowan. Judiciary committee.

An act amending article 1670 of the Civil Code. Judiciary committee.

An act amending article 990 Code of Practice. Judiciary committee.

An act relative to the division of the eleventh ward, parish of Terrebonne. Parochial affairs.

An act relative to delinquent lists of tax collectors. Judiciary committee.

An act amending the act of incorporation of the town of New Iberia. Corporations.

An act enabling lessees to bond property under provisional seizure. Judiciary committee.

An act relieving the Carrollton Female Orphan Asylum. Charitable institutions.

A resolution was here introduced authorizing the sergeant-at-arms of the House to buy flags to wave over public buildings. No action taken.

Carr, of Orleans, having obtained a reconsideration of the bill relative to coroners moved amendments, making the bond $2,500 instead of $10,000, throwing open the office to others besides regular medical practitioners—making the fee for holding an inquest $25 instead of $20, and for burying $12 instead of $5. All these amendments were adopted, though no quorum voted on the last two. Bill was then ordered engrossed and past to its third reading, when the House adjourned till noon Tuesday.

LETTER FROM ST. LOUIS.

[Special to the New Orleans Crescent.]

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 26, 1868.

The weather continues delightful. A bright sun and cloudless sky greet us daily, while at night the atmosphere is cool and invigorating, and fair Luna sheds a mellow light o'er objects animate and otherwise, which renders the scene truly enchanting, and causes one to forget for the nonce that he is but a brief sojourner in a "vale of tears." Even the venerable gentleman who composed the well-known hymn, "I would not live alway," and still lingers "where storm after storm rises dark o'er the way," would, I think, be tempted to still further defer his departure could he spend a few days and nights with us at the present time. But though the weather is all that could be desired by pleasure seekers and sentimental youth, it is not such as the farmers and planters rejoice to see. The drouth is injuring the unmatured crops, and rain is sadly needed in a great many localities.

In my last I spoke of the revolution in sentiment noticeable among the Germans of this city, and that this has not occurred long ago, is, I think attributable, in a great measure, to the fact that the masses of them are unable to read the English language. As being *germaine* to the occasion, I will relate a little incident that came under my personal observation. A few evenings since I strolled into Frank Ritter's for the purpose of rendering mo condition more comfortable by "slaking my thirst," and at the counter stood an honest German and an American discussing the relative merits of Seymour and Grant. The American remarked that he was a Union man but couldn't stand the idea of making "the nigger" his equal. I put in my own then and asked him how he would like to have things here as they are in Louisiana, where the lieutenant governor is a negro, and many members of the Legislature are of the same race. "Mein cot!" exclaimed the German, "ish dat so? If dat ish so I not vote for Mr. Grant and he can go to der teyvil; I votes for Seymour sure." I assured him it was true, as did also several gentleman present, and to make assurance doubly sure, promised to meet him at the same place the next night and show him a copy of the CRESCENT containing a report of the legislative proceedings from which he could satisfy himself of the truth of my statement. I kept the appointment, he became convinced and will surely vote for Seymour and Blair. "Where ignorance is bliss 'tis *wisdom* to be wise" in such cases.

The following New Orleans guests were registered at the hotels yesterday: Southern—R. E. Atkinson, B. S. Twichell, J. C. Rogers, D. DeHaven, R. A. Penderville. Planters—H. D. Seaman. Olive Street—Miss J. Ramsey, Mrs. M. Donaldson.

Amusements this week are lively, and the regular dramatic season will commence in a few days. Geo. F. Devere, of the late stock company at DeBar's, has leased Wilson's opera house for one week, and has secured Miss Charlotte Crampton for six nights. This is her first appearance in St. Louis for many years. Monday night she appeared as Evadne, and last night as Shylock. The audiences were large and fashionable on both occasions, and her engagement throughout will, no doubt, be a success.

Emerson, (Billy) and Allen & Manning's minstrels, a new and powerful organization, are at the Olympic, and crowds are forced to go away nightly for want of room. Billy's new song entitled "Captain Jinks," is his *chef d'œuvre*. The olio performances at the Varieties draw good houses nightly.

On the landing business continues to improve, but the river is getting so low as to be troublesome. Only 5½ feet to Cairo and the boats have to take barges. The Gill left yesterday with one barge, and the high-headed Bismarck will depart with two on Friday. RAINBOW.

15 NEW LEVEE STREET, 1868.—By the many friends of our esteemed friend and fellow citizen, Mr. A. C. Pierpont, the news of his having formed a business connection with two of our most respected and influential merchants for the purpose of conducting the grocery and western produce business, will be received with no little pleasure. Mr. Pierpont, so long and so favorably known in connection with the old established grocery house of Biscoe & Simms, commences business today under circumstances the most flattering, both as to prospects and pecuniary facilities. His partners, Messrs. McQuoid & Mehle, who for years have successfully been identified with the cattle trade in this city, are gentlemen of wide acquaintance, fine position, and unlimited means, and with the combination of talent, capital and experience centered in this firm, we feel confident in predicting a career of success seldom known in commercial pursuits. In thus launching out upon the tide of this new enterprise we present Messrs. A. C. Pierpont & Co. our hearty congratulations and bid them God speed. Read their card in another column.

INSURANCE.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT

—OF THE—

CRESCENT MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

New Orleans, May 25, 1868.

The Trustees, in conformity to the charter, submit the following statement of the affairs of the company on the 30th day of April, 1868:

Fire Premiums for year	$236,122 32	
Marine Premiums for year	94,062 88	
River Premiums for year	177,584 83	
		$507,770 23
Total net earned Premiums		$447,854 23
Fire losses paid and estimated	$89,308 63	
Marine	67,074 08	
River	85,572 47	
Paid Taxes	26,019 54	
Paid reinsurances and discount in lieu of scrip	60,105 30	
Paid interest, return premiums, general expenses less discount, etc.	67,649 03	
		395,919 13
Net profits		$51,955 10

The Company have the following Assets:

Bills Receivable	$37,494 36	
Loans on bonds and Mortgage	69,343 33	
		$106,837 69
Cash on hand	$104,577 34	
Loans on pledge of stocks on call	63,400 00	
		167,977 34
Loans on pledge of stocks on time	11,290 00	
Real Estate	75,000 00	
Scrips of other Companies and scrip account	45,082 45	
Consolidated City Bonds	30,000 00	
City Bonds	96,880 00	
Bank and other stocks	196,987 17	
		323,817 17
Coupons for City Bonds past due		8,400 00
Due for Premiums in course of collection		41,620 00
		$779,814 68

The Company have also:

Suspended Notes, Stocks and Bonds		$436,365 21
Forfeited Scrip account		7,809 24
Interest uncalled for	$7,800 23	

The above statement is a true and correct transcript from the books of the Company.

THOS. A. ADAMS, President.

HENRY V. OGDEN, Secretary.

PARISH OF ORLEAES, City of New Orleans.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of May, 1868.

PARIS CHILDRESS, Second Justice of the Peace, Parish of Orleans.

The Company will pay interest at 6 per cent. in cash on all its Outstanding Certificates of Scrip to the legal holders thereof, on and after the second Monday in June next.

The Board of Trustees have also declared a Scrip Dividend of THIRTY-THREE AND ONE-THIRD per cent. on the earned premiums entitled to participation for the year ending April 30, 1868; for which certificates will be issued on and after the first Monday in August next, free of Government tax.

THOMAS A. ADAMS, President.

SAMUEL H. KENNEDY, Vice President.

HENRY V. OGDEN Secretary.

—TRUSTEES—

John Watt,	C. T. Buddecke,
Samuel B. Newman,	P. H. Foley,
Wm. Edwards,	A. G. Ober,
P. Simms,	A. Thompson,
John Phelps.	

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL INSURANCE

COMPANY OF NEW ORLEANS.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT

In conformity with the requirements of their Charter, the Company publish the following

STATEMENT:

Premiums received during the year ending 31st May, 1868, including unearned premiums on outstanding policies		
On Fire Risks		$813,684 43
On Marine Risks		238,734 17
On River Risks		99,543 62
Total Premiums		$1,151,962 22
Less Premiums Unearned 31st May, 1868	$226,847 00	
Return Premiums	23,471 07	—$250,318 07
Net Earned Premiums 31st May, 1868		$901,644 15
Losses paid:		
On Fire Risks	$271,226 37	
On Marine Risks	173,940 58	
On River Risks	45,929 96	
	$491,096 91	
Taxes	28,015 61	
Reinsurance, Expenses, Profit and Loss, less interest	105,202 04	—624,314 56
Net Profit		$277,329 59
The Company have the following assets:		
Real Estate		$159,617 87
Notes Secured by Mortgage		675,807 33
Notes Secured by Pledge		89 147 23
Cash on hand		128,478 24
Premiums in course of Collection		80,753 65
City Bonds		33,000 00
Bank and Railroad Stocks		104,200 00
Bills Receivable		127,154 79
Scrips of Mutual Insurance Companies		40 835 00
Stock of Valiette Dry Dock Company		15,000 00
" Levee Steam Cotton Press		5,000 00
" Marine Dry Dock		3,700 00
" Merchants' Exchange		1,000 00
" Lightering and Wrecking Co.		1,000 00
" Louisiana Equitable Life ins. Co.		250 00
State Bonds		1,500 00
Total		$1,466,414 16
Less:		
Unclaimed interest and interest payable in July next on all outstanding Scrips of the Company	$101,246 15	
Thirty-five per cent. of Scrip issue of 1859, payable in July	70,675 75	
Unearned Premiums 31st May, 1868	226,847 00	—$398,768 90
		$1,067,645 26

The above Statement is a just, true and correct transcript from the books of the Company.

JOHN PEMBERTON, President.

PAUL FOURCHY, Secretary.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of June, 1868.

PAUL W. COLLENS, Third Justice of the Peace.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on the 9th day of June, 1868, it was resolved to declare a Scrip Dividend of THIRTY PER CENT. on the Net Earned Participating Premiums for the year ending 30th May, 1868, for which certificates will be issued on and after the first day of August next. Also to pay on and after the second Monday in July next THIRTY-FIVE PER CENT. ON THE SCRIP ISSUE OF 1859, and six per cent. interest on all outstanding Scrips of the Company.

DIRECTORS:

John Pemberton,	P. Maspero,	David McCord,
M. Puig,	L. F. Generes,	Pierre Pouta,
Chas. Sagory,	John Morgan Hall	S. E. Relf,
P. S. Witz.	J. J. Fernandez.	

COMMERCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY

SECOND ANNUAL STATEMENT.

In conformity with the requirements of their charter the COMMERCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY publish the following statement:

Amount of Premiums for the year ending 31st March, 1868		
Fire Premiums	$ 52 826 44	
River Premiums	79 028 20	
Marine Premiums	29,808 11	
		$161,662 75
LOSSES PAID.		
Fire Losses	$ 13,659 39	
River Losses	84,244 33	
Marine Losses	24,373 70	
	$122,277 42	
Rebate	30,980 27	
Taxes	4,799 01	
Reinsurance	8 892 25	
Return Premiums	419 00	
Expenses, Profit and Loss, etc., less Interest	29,820 66	—$197,189 31
		$35,526 56
ASSETS.		
Cash on hand	$ 22,904 11	
Bills receivable	8,093 92	
Furniture	3,673 95	
Premiums due	24,056 46	
Stock Notes	554,235 00	—$592,973 44

The above Statement is a just, true and correct transcript from the books of the company.

S. B. BUCKNER, President.

GEO. O. SWEET, Secretary.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of April, 1868.

PARIS CHILDRESS, Second Justice Peace, Parish of Orleans.

INSURANCE.

LOUISIANA MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT.

In conformity with the requirements of their Charter the Company publish the following statement:

Total Premiums for the year ending 29th February, 1868		$568,529 42
Viz—Fire Premiums	$236,272 57	
Marine Premiums	189,153 70	
River Premiums	103,097 15	
		$568,523 42
Less Return Premiums	$ 9,859 75	
Less Unearned Premiums	69,145 00	
		$ 66,004 75
Net Earned Premiums		$502,518 67
Losses Paid:		
Fire Losses	$ 62,597 36	
Marine Losses	184,872 79	
River Losses	94,592 09	
	$342,062 14	
Discount in lieu of Scrip	34,348 65	
Taxes and Internal Revenue	24,741 36	
Expenses, Rent, etc., less Discount Account	32,310 83	
Six per cent. Interest on outstanding Scrip to 1st March, 1868	57,777 80	
		$491,240 78
Reserved for Unadjusted Losses		$11,277 89

The Company have the following Assets, which in the Report of the Finance Committee of the Company, unanimously adopted by the Board of Trustees, are declared, after ample allowances and deductions are made, to be equivalent to a Cash Capital of $620,000, viz:

Invested in Real Estate	$ 46,698 11
Invested in Mortgage on Real Estate	79,019 30
Invested in City and other Bonds	82,220 00
Invested in Bank and other Stocks	123,585 00
Invested in Scrip of Insurance Companies	135,992 00
Loaned on Pledges	18,200 00
Premiums in course of Collection	3,898 88
Premiums in course of Collection	7,262
Cash on hand	111,513 49
	$737,599 49

The above statement is a just, true and correct transcrip from the books of the Company.

CHAS. BRIGGS, President.

J. P. ROUX, Secretary.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of March, 1868.

PAUL W. COLLENS, Third Justice of the Peace.

Six per cent. interest on all outstanding Scrip will be paid the legal holders thereof on the second Monday of May next.

CHAS. BRIGGS, President.

ANT. CARRIERE, Vice President.

TRUSTEES:

Charles Briggs,	A. R. Monigomery
Ant. Carriere,	A. Lecourt,
Geo. A. Fosdick,	Frank Williams,
E. Brugier,	Thomas Byrne,
Chas. Lafitte,	John Thornhill,
John S. Maunsell,	W. A. Violett,
P. Anderson,	Hugh Macdonald,
Alfred Kearny,	Wm. M. Pinckard,
A. Frerichs,	John S. Wallis,
Geo. W. Dunbar,	George Foster,
E. F. Stockmeyer,	Andrew Stewart,
Geo. W. Hynson,	L. S. Pothier,
Arch'd Montgomery,	John Nixon, Jr.,
Henry J. Voss,	R. Piaggio,
E. Marquess,	James Gallier,
Chas. Weishaar,	Rudolph Slog,

H. F. Given.

NEW ORLEANS MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Office, Corner of Camp and Canal Streets.

EIGHTH YEAR.

Premiums received during the year ending December 31st, 1867	$411,205 41
Losses, Taxes, Expenses, Reinsurance, etc., paid during same period	$194,078 84
Assets on the 31st December, 1867	$526,564 89

NEW ORLEANS, January 11, 1868.

The Board of Directors have resolved to declare a scrip dividend of THIRTY PER CENT. on the net earned participating premiums for the year ending December 31, 1867; and [illegible] per cent. interest on all outstanding certificates of Scrip, on and after the second Monday of March, 1868.

J. TUYES, President.

J. W. HINCKS, Secretary.

DIRECTORS.

Geo. Urquhart,	T. B. Blanchard Jr.,	Chs. Lafitte,
A. Rochereau,	Wm. Stevens,	J. M. Lapeyre,
G. W. Babcock,	J. A. White,	A. Schreiber,
Jno. Gauche,	W. F. Williams,	J. Tuyes.

LOUISIANA EQUITABLE

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Capital.....$500,000.

OFFICE, 143 CANAL STREET, NEW ORLEANS.

DIRECTORS:

John Pemberton,	W. S. Pike,	Edward Rigney,
E. A. Tyler,	J. W. Stone,	W. B. Schmidt,
C. H. Slocomb,	A. Thompson,	Alexander Marks,
F. Delbondio,	Philip Meyer,	C. K. Giraudey,
George A. Fosdick,	Edward Barnett,	Marshall J. Smith.

JOSEPH ELLISON, President, W. S. PIKE, Vice-President, ST. CLAIR DEARING, Gen. Agent, W. P. HARPER, Secretary.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

Dr. B. H. Moss, Dr. Sam'l Choppin, Dr. Y. R. LeMonier, Dr. Henry Smith, Dr. J. H. Lewis, Dr. W. C. Nicholls.

G. A. Breaux, Attorney.

ALL KINDS OF LIFE RISKS TAKEN—Ordinary Life and Annual Endowment; Ten Annual Endowment and Five Annual Endowment; Single Payment; Participating and Non Participating, issued by this Company as low as any other Company.

ALL PAYMENTS NON-FORFEITABLE.

HOME MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ORLEANS.

Office, No. 78 Camp st., corner of Natchez street.

SIXTEENTH YEAR.

Premiums received during the year ending December 31, 1867	$321,590 06
Losses, taxes, expenses, re-insurance, etc., paid during same period	$17,740 78
Assets on the 31st December, 1867	$78 724 02

This Company continues to insure against the perils of the Seas, Rivers, and loss or damage by Fire, at the current rates of premium.

ALFRED MOULTON, President.

WM. M. PERKINS, Vice President.

A. W. HUNTER, Secretary.

TRUSTEES:

J. M. Allen,	J. H. Ludwigsen,	E. K. Converse,
A. Moulton,	Wm. Chambers,	A. H. May,
B. P. Ethell,	John T. Moore,	Robert Hare,
Wm. M. Perkins,	J. E. Isenhour,	John G. Rogers.

SUN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

OF NEW ORLEANS,

Office, No. 61 Camp Street.

Amount of premiums received during the year ending December 31st, 1867	$384 689 71
Assets on 31st December, 1867, valued at	767,768 81

NEW ORLEANS, January 23d, 1868.—The Board of Directors resolved to pay 6 per cent. interest on all outstanding Scrip; and further declared a Scrip Dividend of 35 per cent. on the net earned participating Premiums for the year ending December 31st, 1867.

THOS. ANDERSON, Secretary. THOS. SLOO, Pres't. JNO. G. GAINES, V. P.

Directors for the year 1868—John G. Gaines, Henry Renshaw, H. T. Lonsdale, B. Biscoe, J. C. Barelli, Hugh Wilson, E. J. Hart, John C. Ricks, J. H. Stauffer, J. B. Bres, Thos. Sloo, I. N. Marks.

FIREMENS' INSURANCE COMPANY

OF NEW ORLEANS.

Capital Stock.....$500,000

With privilege to increase to $3,000,000.

Office No. 26 Camp street, Story Building, corner of Camp and Common streets.

B. L. MILLAUDON, President; J. M. LAPEYRE, Vice-President; E. N. CANUCHEAU, Secretary.

This Company offers to the insured the option of a rebate of 15 per cent., or a participation in the net profits, payable at the end of each year in cash.

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