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AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

VARIETIES—Great dramatic sensation, "Lancashire Lass."
ST. CHARLES—"Cinderella."
ACADEMY OF MUSIC—"Undine"—M'lle Tournour, the female gymnast.
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ON INSIDE PAGES—*Second Page: City Topics, Interesting Developments in a Case in the Circuit Court, Editorial Paragraphs, Amusements. Third Page: Northern and Western News, The Indian War, English View of the Mississippi Valley, Amusing Washington Reminiscences. Sixth Page: Official Proceedings Board of Assistant Aldermen. Seventh Page: Financial and Commercial Reports.*

CHRISTMAS EDITION.—The CRESCENT of to-morrow will contain special and extra features adapted to make it an appropriate and entertaining holiday edition. Among literary contributions expressly prepared for this edition will be a poetical romance in blank verse, entitled "Loved and Lost," and a press sketch, "A Christmas Reminiscence," which includes a strange weird fiction illustrative of the horrors of African witchcraft or voudouism.

The interesting account of the attack by robbers on the town of Clarksville, Texas, came in too late for publication in this morning's CRESCENT, but will appear in to-morrow's issue.

THE SALE OF CUBA.—It would be characteristic of Mr. Seward's tortuous and circumlocutory methods of diplomacy, if Mr. Cushing's visit to Europe is in the nature of a secret and unofficial mission for initiating negotiations for the purchase of Cuba. While we can see no necessity for thus mysteriously and circuitously approaching the matter, we nevertheless see plenty of reason for hoping that this plan, if really adopted, will lead to the cession of the island to the United States before its internal troubles have proceeded much further in disorganizing its industry and impairing its prosperity. The authorities in Spain, whether monarchical or republican, ought surely to know that disaffection towards the rule of the mother country pervades almost the whole Creole population of Cuba. They should know, too, that this disaffection is chronic and ineradicable. Its special developments may be repressed, but it will always be ready to break forth, and must ultimately lead to separation from Spain, possibly to the ruin of the island. No Spanish American people has ever yet commenced a revolt against the home government without persisting to the bitter end. The Cubans will form no exception. The language said to have emanated from the existing authorities at Madrid, that they never would relinquish a Spanish province, is simply stupid if it has reference to Cuba. It is in the same spirit as that of the Bourbons when clinging to petty prerogatives and losing their thrones. The question for these authorities will at length be to sell Cuba, or suffer the humiliation of losing it without any sort of indemnity.

The long expected novel by Mr. Charles Dimitry, of this city, entitled "The House in Balfour street; A Novel," has appeared. We are indebted to Mr. Eyrich, 130 Canal street, for a copy. We defer criticism until our Sunday's edition.

We are indebted to Mr. Haley for late numbers of the Sporting Times, the Day's Doings, Frank Leslie's Magazine, The Illuminated Western World, Harper's Bazar, Turf, Field and Farm, The Spirit of the Times, The Literary Album, the Hearth and Home, and Every Saturday. These are all for sale at 20 Commercial Place and at 153 Poydras street.

The CRESCENT is under obligations to Mr. M. D. Monserrate, the clever purser of the steamship I. C. Harris, for his kind remembrance and for the account he furnishes us of the attack on Clarksville. We owe you one, kind sir; we owe you one.

An attempt was made in the recent reform act in England to provide, at least partially, for the representation of minorities. At the election for the Parliament the scheme was partially tried, and the results are given in the London Spectator as follows:

In Hertfordshire the Liberals were to the Conservatives about in the relation of 37 to 34, and by the operation of the minority clause there were returned two Liberals to one Conservative, which, of course, exaggerates the real Liberal strength. Again, in Herefordshire the Liberals were to the Conservatives about in the relation of 22 to 33, and there, by the operation of the minority clause, there was returned one Liberal to two Conservatives—a result exaggerating the local Conservative strength, but not so much as the result in Hertfordshire exaggerated the Liberal strength. In Berkshire the Liberals were to the Conservatives in the ratio about of 25 to 31, and there, by the working of the minority clause, they returned one member and the Conservatives two. Again, in Cambridgeshire, the Liberals were to the Conservatives in the relation of 33 to 39, and there, by the action of the minority clause, they returned one Liberal member to two Conservative members. These were, we believe, the only English counties subject to the minority clause in which there was any contest to test the actual strength of parties; and in these we see that, taking these four counties together, there were returned, by the action of the minority clause, five Liberals to seven Conservatives by parties which may be said to be very nearly in that ratio—say, on an average, in the ratio of 29 to 34, which shows a certain loss of strength, as compared with the ratio of their votes, to the weaker party, the Liberals. On the other hand, but for the minority clause they would have carried but one of these counties, Hertfordshire, and gained, had the number of seats been the same, the three seats there; while the minority seats in Cambridgeshire, Herefordshire, and Berkshire would have gone to the Conservatives, leaving the Liberals with three seats to the Conservatives nine. The majority clause, therefore, in those counties has not given the Liberals a representation up to their full party strength, but much beyond what the ordinary majority principle would have given.

In the boroughs where the system was tried, the result was to give to the Liberals a representation in the proportion of 3 to 1, whilst their strength, compared with the Conservatives, was about 2 to 1. The deduction seems to be that the plan, as tried in England may be defective; but it at least has the merit of giving representation to portions of constituencies which otherwise would remain unrepresented, while it has not diminished the working strength of the majority party.

PICKPOCKETS AND POLITICAL MISRULE.

The whole community is on tenterhooks of disquietude in relation to the swarm of pickpockets now infesting the city. The presence of these prehensile prestidigitators in unusual number, and the extraordinary success and impunity with which they ply their vocation, admit of easy explanation. They have been attracted to New Orleans by the report of the fine crops and improved thrift of Southern planters and the consequent expectation that there would be, this winter, an uncommon balance of cash available for miscellaneous expenditure in Southern cities. The unexampled security and profit which have attended their operations thus far are due to the most defective and inefficient system of police, in respect to both law and administration, which the city has ever known.

But the fever amounting almost to furor of anxiety excited in the city by the skill and activity displayed by this industrious gentry, is not, philosophically viewed, so easily explicable. People could scarcely suffer keener pangs of apprehension at the approach of some Vandal conqueror who threatened to sweep away their patrimonies and lay waste their homes. Pockets shrink and keep as close as misers. Portmonnies ache with fear. The hue and tremor of panic are universal. Even the Grecian bend fails in the trying hour. Still more astounding, the golden youth and the silver gray exquisitism, the cream and the pride of masculine la mode, do not, by a long jump, come up to the expectations which have been formed respecting the possible developments of their Dundreary grace, assurance, and insouciance; showing a tremulous feebleness in the bulbous knees of their attenuated legs, and manifesting a weak concern for the condition of things around them, that are positively scandalous. Who would have thought that anything in this world short of miracle could have knocked them out of their sangfroid and a-plomb—*them*, to all appearance, perennially as cool as the snow cap of the highest Alpine peak, and as firmly planted in unfathomable self-satisfaction as heaven upholding Atlas on his base? And yet they are unsettled by a fact which is neither miraculous nor novel, but as natural as human depravity, and as ancient as cupidity, rapacity and roguery. The equanimity that might have smiled to scorn the shock of an earthquake, gives way before the mysterious passes and manipulations of light, furtive and furacious fingers employed in one of the cardinal industries of modern civilization.

Now, it must inevitably strike a reflective mind that there is something ludicrously out of proportion in the uneasiness, impatience, and indignation which may be created in this or in any other American city, by a lively visitation of the small thievery confined to the pocket-picking class of human vermin and parasites, when the whole country is comparatively quiet, resigned and placid under grand larcenies practiced through innumerable devices and opportunities created by political misrule. All the pickpocket petty larcenies lumped together are, in point of magnitude, no more comparable to the depredations inflicted upon the people at large by the rapacity and profligacy which have been organized by bad legislation, aggravated by corrupt administration, than a wart to Ossa. The whisky rings and their official confederates steal more, indirectly, from the hard earnings of the people, in one month, than the pickpockets are able to filch from them in a whole year. Every addition to the protective tariff is a robbery of millions from the honest industry of the country. The horde of carpet-baggers who, under political license, have been gratifying their raptorial instincts in Louisiana and other States, are as much worse in that way than an equal number of pickpockets could be, as a swarm of vampires is worse than a swarm of mosquitoes. The substance of this community is devoured, under the cloak of pretended State legislation and pretended State authority, to an extent that dwarfs into comparative insignificance the operations of all the unconventional and outlawed thieves and robbers that ever prowled about the city. The effect of the iniquitous printing bill invented by the Dryades street conspiracy to furnish dainty morsels to the greed of some of its followers, is a deeper gouge than the present pickpocket invasion could make in twelve months' diligent use of their fingers with as large a rate of remuneration as has recently attended their labors.

Is there not, then, an aspect of laughable incongruity about the anxious and indignant feelings aroused by the performances of that class of vagabonds known as pickpockets? Not that such feelings are not, abstractly considered, perfectly proper and rational. Society must protect itself against the aggressions of verminal and parasitical enemies. It must resent and resist when assailed by these, or undergo, more or less rapidly, decay and dissolution. Its vigor of resentment and resistance will be in proportion to its vitality. But, assuredly, the self-preservation of society is not to be accomplished by directing the honest rage of public opinion exclusively against petty larceny depredations, while grand larceny spoliations are submitted to with a fortitude more suicidal than heroic. Conventional crimes, among which we would include crimes under political license and by the operation, perversion or permission of statutory law, may bring a country to ruin; unconventional crimes, alone, cannot. The pickpockets are a pestiferous class, and should be ferreted out and punished in the shortest order. But they would be infinitely more dangerous if they were as "trooly loil," according to the conventional cant of the dominant party, as they are truly dextrous in prehensile prestigiation.

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OFFICE OF THE MERCHANTS' MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, New Orleans, Dec. 23, 1868.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company, held this day, Mr. P. S. Witts introduced the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, By the interposition of Divine Providence, the Hon. JNO. PRESSERTON President of this Company from its foundation, has been removed from among us, we trust to a better world;

Whereas, In his demise his family loses an exemplary husband, father and relative; the country a devoted and spotless citizen; and this Company a signally able, courteous and correct officer, whose valuable services shall ever be appreciated;

Resolved, That as a sincere token of profound respect for his memory and heartfelt sympathy to his disconsolate widow and children, and to all who deplore his loss, the office of this Company shall remain draped in mourning for the space of thirty days

That this resolution be spread on the minutes of this Board; published in all the city papers; and that an authenticated copy thereof be transmitted by the Secretary to his bereaved family.

G. W. NOTT,
Secretary.

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Notice to Tax Payers.

In accordance with Act No. 177 of the Legislature, approved October 31st, 1868, entitled "An Act to secure the collection of the taxes of the city of New Orleans for the year 1867," all delinquent tax payers whose names, together with the amount respectively due by them, were published in the official journal of the city (The New Orleans Crescent) in the month of July, 1868, are hereby cited to appear and notified that judgment will be applied for, in accordance with said publication, TEN Days after the first publication of the present notice, in the following Courts, viz: In all cases in which the bills are for one hundred dollars or less, in the Third District Court for the parish of Orleans; in all cases in which the bills exceed one hundred dollars, according to the first letter of the delinquent's family names as follows: From H to N inclusively in the Fourth District Court; from O to R inclusively and G in the Fifth District Court; from S to Z inclusively and F in the Sixth District Court and from A to E inclusively in the Seventh District Court.

F. MICHINARD,
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New Orleans, Dec. 19th, 1868

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