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## THE CRESCENT'S DISPATCHES.

### WASHINGTON.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS.

Right of Way to the Ship Island Canal.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE ON THE TENURE OF OFFICE REPEAL.

BILL TO ENFORCE DECREES OF THE LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—House engaged on regular call.

*Senate*—The tenure-of-office is up. Trumbull moved to non concur in the House action, and ask a conference committee. Grimes moved to recede from the Senate amendments. Davis moved to repeal entirely. Davis is now speaking.

The reconstruction committee had no meeting.

St. Martin and Sypher, from Louisiana, address the election committee to-day.

*Senate*—A bill was passed continuing enlisted men's present pay until 1870, also a bill dropping from the rolls officers absent without leave.

A bill confirming the charter and granting the right of way to the New Orleans and Ship Island Canal Company was referred to the judiciary committee.

Several bills removing political disabilities were introduced.

The tenure of office question was resumed. A resolution asking for a committee of conference passed 37 to 20.

*House.*—Under regular call bills were introduced. Incorporating the National Land Company to provide homesteads for immigrants and freedmen in the Southern States. Selling government property at Plymouth, N. C. Punishing unconstitutional office holders. Forfeiting certain lands granted to Louisiana for railroad purposes. Suspending the oyster tonnage tax of Virginia. Appropriating $20,000 to the Charleston Sisters of Mercy for services rendered Union prisoners.

A resolution exempting salt, tea, coffee, sugar and tobacco and taxing bonds was tabled, 104 to 40.

A substitute for the Senate bill reorganizing the Supreme Court passed. Adjourned.

Executive session to-day did nothing.

The president nominated Geo. Earle first assistant postmaster-general, Wm. R. Clutman collector of internal revenue, second South Carolina district, and Francis Widmer for the second Alabama district, and Geo. P. Rex assessor second Alabama district.

It has rained incessantly for 24 hours.

A bill was introduced into the House to-day to enforce the decrees of the Louisiana district courts in the cases of the British vessels Volante, Science and Dashing Wave.

### FROM HAVANA.

**The Steamship Seizure—Men Killed in the Streets for Seditious Cries—A United States Consular Agent in Irons.**

HAVANA, March 29.—The remainder of the crew and passengers of the Comanditario have arrived at Cardenas. They denounce the purser and engineer as leaders in the seizure.

Two men were killed in the streets and six arrests were made yesterday for seditious cries.

The United States consular agent at Gibara has been brought here ironed.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

BOSTON, March 29.—The war steamer Galena has been ordered to Cuban waters.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Arrived: Steamships Vicksburg, Gen. Meade and Bienville, from New Orleans.

Ex-Mayor James Harper is dead.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 29.—The river is rising rapidly and a flood is apprehended. The lower part of Troy is inundated.

### RIVER NEWS.

VICKSBURG, March 29.—Passed up—Indiana at 3; Alice Dean at 4, and Belle Lee at 5 P. M.

MEMPHIS, March 29.—Weather warm and showery. River rising. Passed up—Alaska and Silver Spray. Down—Pauline Carroll, Richmond and Julia.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—River rising here and above.

LOUISVILLE, March 29.—River rising, with 13½ feet of water in the canal.

VICKSBURG, March 29.—Passed up: Great Republic at noon yesterday; down: Pargoud at 5 and Mississippi at 6 P. M. yesterday. River rising.

### FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

SOUTHWEST PASS, March 29—Noon.—Barometer 29:95. Weather calm. Arrived: Steamship W. G. Hewes, Tripp, at 12 last night, Galveston and Indianola, to C. A. Whitney & Co. Sailed: Brig Hope and Nueva Casimera and schooner Brazos. On the bar: Ship Labrador and steamship Teutonia. The Advance was pulled off the bar this morning, and now lies at anchor outside.

SOUTHWEST PASS, March 29—6 P. M.—Barometer 29:90. Weather calm. Arrived: Brig M. E. Hines, Hastings, six days from Havana, sugar to A. Contourie & Co., and steamship Agnes, Wilson; at 4:15 P. M., Galveston and Indianola to C. A. Whitney & Co. Sailed: Schooner S. P. M. Tasker. On the bar: Steamship Teutonia and ship Labrador.

### MARKETS.

FRANKFORT, March 29.—Bonds 87⅞.

LIVERPOOL, March 29—Evening.—Red Western wheat 9s. Corn 30s. 3d. Flour 23s. 6d. Bacon 23s.

NEW YORK, March 29—Evening.—Sugar quiet; muscovado 11⅞@12⅞. Havana 13½.

HAVANA, March 29.—Sugar unchanged.

LIVERPOOL, March 29.—Evening—Cotton, nothing doing. Common rosin, 5s. 3d.

HAVRE, March 29.—Cotton, 146 on the spot and afloat.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Evening—Southern stocks heavy; N. C.'s 66; do. 57¼; S. C.'s 71⅞; Tenn.'s 66. The money pressure continues, rates at 7 ⅜ cent. gold. Sterling 108⅞. Gold 131⅞. Stocks heavy.

NEW YORK, March 29—Evening.—5-20's of 1862, 117¾; of 1864, 113¾; of 1865, 115½; do. new, 112¾; of 1867 and 1868, same; 10-40's, 105.

HAVRE, March 25.—Cotton closed active on the spot and afloat.

NEW YORK, March 29—Evening.—Cotton steady. Sales 1300 bales; middling uplands 28¾@29c. Flour—Superfine State $5 85@6 30; common to fair extra Southern $6 75@7 20. Wheat held higher, but very quiet. Corn unchanged. Pork dull. Lard heavy; kettle 19@19½c. Whisky quiet. Rice dull. Turpentine 50½@51c. Rosin $2 40@2 48. Freights dull.

MOBILE, March 29.—Cotton quiet; demand limited. Sales 800 bales. Low middlings 27c. Receipts 1566 bales. No exports.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—Superfine flour $4 60@4 75. Wheat $1 50. Corn 68@73c. Oats 57@60c. Rye $1 25@1 26. Whisky 90c. Groceries unchanged. Pork $31 50@32. Bulk shoulders 12c.; sides 15c. Bacon—shoulders 13½c.; clear ribbed sides 16½c.; clear sides 17½c. Hams 18@19c. Lard dull.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Flour $4 87½@6 87½. Wheat $1 11½. Corn 53½c. Oats 52½c. Rye $1 18½. Barley $1 65@1 70. Highwines 88c. Pork $30 75. Hams 15½@16c. Lard 18c. Bulk shoulders 12½c. Sugar 14½@16c. Molasses $1@1 05.

MEMPHIS, March 29.—Cotton weak. Low middling nominally 26½@27c. Receipts 728 bales. Exports 1548 bales.

CINCINNATI, March 29.—Family flour $6 25@6 50. Corn 62c. Oats 63@66c. Whisky 91c. Pork held at $32. Bulk shoulders 12½c., sides 14½c. Lard 18½@18¾c. Hams 18¾@19c. Molasses 80@85c. Sugar 14@16c.

LOUISVILLE, March 29.—Sales 87 hhds. tobacco at $5@15 50. Pork $32. Lard 18½c. Bacon—shoulders 14c., clear rib sides 17c., clear sides 17½c. Bulk shoulders 13c., clear rib sides 16c., clear sides 16½c. Flour $5 50@6. Corn 63@65c. Oats 62@65c. Sugar 14@16c. Molasses 80@85c. Whisky 92.

## EASTER SUNDAY.

### Decorations of Churches and Services in them.

### EASTER ELECTIONS.

Easter Sunday being the great festival of the Church, is always celebrated with peculiar pomp and solemnity. As it is an occasion of great joy the church edifices of the English and Roman churches are adorned with flowers of spring, typical both of the resurrection of our Lord, even as a new spring has caused the seeds to break forth from their earthly prison, and of the purity of the Christian religion. On Sunday last none of the usual tokens of the day were lacking. The Roman Catholic churches were, as has always been customary, splendidly adorned, while the churches of the Anglican Communion showed that that desire to render the exterior services of the church as gorgeous and imposing as such services should be, which has been growing for some years past, was not at all relaxed. The following brief summary of the decorations of the various churches will give a better idea of the manner in which Easter was celebrated:

CHRIST (EPISCOPAL) CHURCH

Was most beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens. The chancel rails were entirely hidden with masses of white flowers and evergreens, with a large bouquet at each corner. The reading desk and pulpit were, too, a mass of pure white flowers, while the baptismal font seemed a shaft of flowers, surmounted by a basket of floral beauties. At the back of the chancel was a large and very handsome cross of white flowers; above it, reaching across the chancel was the inscription, also in flowers, "I am the Resurrection and the Life," and above it the monogram, I. H. S. At the other end of the church, the front of the choir gallery was dressed with evergreens, with a large crown of immortelles in the center. The effect of the whole was superb. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Leacock, pastor of the church, who also preached. The collection taken up was devoted to the Orphans' Home. The music was the finest with which the walls of Christ Church have ever rung. It was under the direction of the accomplished organist of the church, Mr. L. A. Seward, and embraced the following selections:

Opening Chorus—Mozart.
Anthem—Christ our Passover—Rossini.
Gloria Patri—Duet and Chorus.
Te Deum—Mercadante.
Jubilate.
Psalm—Arranged from the Stabat Mater of Rossini.
Easter Hymn.
Offertory Anthem—O, Worship the Lord—Arranged from Mina Pro Pace.

The chorus was very powerful and accurate, while the solos, sung by M'me Blache and Mr. Cassard, were very beautiful.

In the afternoon the children of the Sunday School assembled in the church to keep their Easter festival. The services were the usual evening service and a short address by Dr. Leacock. A mission school, domiciled away back on Poydras street, and composed of the poorer class of children, was present by invitation of the superintendent of Christ Church Sunday School, Mr. E. G. Mesller.

At a meeting of the pew-holders of Christ Church, held on Easter Monday (yesterday) the following named gentlemen were unanimously elected wardens and vestrymen for the ensuing year: Charles Harrod and James Grimshaw, wardens, and Dr. Mercier, Geo. C. Duncan, Thos. I. Dix, Wm. Moult, G. W. Babcock, C. H. Slocomb, Samuel R. Walker, J. P. Sullivan, Braxton Bragg, J. C. Goodrich, —— Larason, Randell Hunt and Robert Mott, vestrymen.

THE ST. LOUIS (CATHOLIC) CATHEDRAL.

The church was crowded during every mass from early morning until the close of the high mass, about 12 o'clock. The ceremonies at high mass were of the usual imposing character, but the unfortunate illness of Archbishop Odin precluded that venerable prelate from officiating, as is his wont every Easter Sunday. After the mass the archbishop conferred the pontifical benediction upon the faithful present. One of Haydn's masses was sung and admirably conducted under the baton of Mr. Dubois, *maître de chapelle* of the Cathedral, which was interspersed with selections from the best church music, among which Mozart's "Regina Cœli" by the chorus. Mr. C. Renaud, whose fine voice we have often heard with pleasure, sang with much effect the "O Salutaris" of Bordese, and M'mes D——s and D——n the "Ave Verum" of Rossini.

TRINITY (EPISCOPAL) CHURCH.

This beautiful edifice was a bouquet of flowers. The chancel, reading desk, pulpit and baptismal font seemed each made of white flowers, whose pure beauty and sweet perfume were truly the fittest sacrifice that could be made on the bright Easter morning. In the center of the large chancel window was a fallen cross, made of flowers, around it twined a crown of thorns, emblems of the earthly nature forever cast off by the Son of God above it a crown of flowers, emblem of His eternal, pure and tender sway. The various gas gets of the church were also twined with flowers and evergreens, while the emblem of the Cross and Crown was many times repeated in the decorations of the church. Various inscriptions, all in flowers and beautifully made, were to be seen in different parts of the church.

The music was under the direction of Mr. Leo Wheat, who is organist of the church. Its character can be judged of from the following:

Voluntary overture, in E flat major—Weber.
Opening chorus—Gloria, in F major—Gulter.
Anthem—In B flat, "Christ, our Passover"—Lloyd.
Te Deum—In B flat major—Mercadante.
Jubilate, in E flat major—Millard.
Psalm 82, L. M.—Handel.
Responses to commandments—Greatorex.
Gloria Tibi, in B flat major—Mozart.
Hymn 69, III. L.—Cherubini.
Offertory quintette, "Christ the Lord"—Weber.
Voluntary—In D minor—Zandel.

COMMUNION SERVICE.

Tresagion in D major—Greatorex.
Hymn 94, L. M.—Church choir.
Gloria in Excelcis—Church choir.
Closing voluntary—Mendelssohn.

The collection taken up was to pay the debt of the church, which amounts to $12,500, but more especially to pay a note of $5000, which falls due in a few days. The unprecedented amount of $3000 in cash was collected, besides orders for pews to the amount of $1000 more—thus making $4000. In addition, we are assured that in a day or two the other $1000 will be collected. What an example this is of the only way in which the church should be supported, by voluntary contributions!

A most beautiful and impressive sermon was preached by the rector of the church, Rev. Mr. Gallier, from St. Luke, XXIV, 5, "Why seek ye the living among the dead."

The following is the result of the election at Trinity Church yesterday, Easter Monday:

A. P. Cleveland, senior warden; J. W. Champlin, junior warden; Jules Blanc, G. S. Kausler, A. Moulton, Wm. Flash, H. V. Ogden, W. G. Wheeler, Richard Lloyd, Dr. F. W. Gustine, G. W. Race, G. G. Garner, vestrymen.

In the afternoon the Sunday School, of which Mr. Dupuy is superintendent, held their Easter celebration. The services being concluded, the children presented to Bishop Wilmer, who was present, $300, raised by their own voluntary contributions, to be by him distributed in the country parishes of the State. Besides this, the ladies of Trinity Church, in token of their love and esteem for the bishop, and also in recognition of his kindness in assuming pastoral charge of the church during the interval between Rev. Mr. Smede's leaving the church and Rev. Mr. Gallier's arrival, presented to him a very handsome silver baptismal font, and a pair of silver napkin rings.

ST. PATRICK'S (CATHOLIC) CHURCH.

One of the largest audiences ever collected in a church assembled here on Sunday morning to assist in Grand Mass, prior to which the Young Mens' Catholic Friends' Society of St. Patrick, rendezvoused at their hall, and headed by the Brothers' Juvenile Band, marched to that grand and massive edifice where their beautiful new banner was blessed by the Rev. Father Flannagan, rector of St. Patrick's. May the aim of the young men of this society be as good and the result of their labors as successful as the reverend father's, who in so beautiful a manner asked the blessing of Him whose resurrection they were celebrating. After an appropriate air by the band, the regular morning services proceeded, the musical portion of which was conducted by the organist and superbly sung by the choir. The Rev. Father Flannagan was ably assisted by his colaborer, Rev. M. Sheehan, who has been detailed by the right reverend archbishop of this diocese to receive subscriptions to build a church to front on Annunciation Square.

ST. ALPHONSUS (CATHOLIC) CHURCH,

Constance street, near Josephine, was the scene of a grand and imposing display. The grand altar, with its side altars, respectively dedicated to St. Mary and St. Joseph, were gorgeously decorated with flowers, both natural and artificial, making, when lit up, one of the grandest scenes ever witnessed in New Orleans. The designer of the altars of this church—a Mr. Burcher, of Chicago, Ills.—may well be proud of his work. The Rev. Father Burke, assisted by the Rev. Father Neilhart, C. S. T. R., performed grand mass, the musical portion of which was Bethooven's Mass in C, beautifully sung by the choir, under the direction of A. Vulliet, who sang the tenor solos of the same in a fine manner; he was ably seconded by Mr. J. Miller, organist.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (GERMAN.)

The altar of this church was superbly decorated with evergreens, flowers, (both natural and artificial) massive plate and embroidery, and with its beautiful collection of paintings the whole making one of the grandest pictures the writer has ever had the pleasure of seeing. The services pertaining to the day were performed by the Rev. Father Bove; the sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Holzer. It is almost needless to say that the church was crowded to its utmost capacity.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTON (CATHOLIC).

In the Jesuits' church on Baronne street, which is always crowded on Sundays, there was no standing room. The service was conducted by Rev. Father Dufon assisted by two other reverend fathers. Rev. Mr. Lespes delivered one of his characteristic sermons in English. Mozart's twelfth mass, the greatest and most sublime of sacred musical compositions, with possibly one exception, the *Stabat Mater* of Rossini, was led by Mr. Collignon, whose name alone is evidence of the perfect manner in which the celebrated composer's master work was interpreted. The "Quoniam, quatuor" was sung by Md'mes C——s and S——t, soprano and contralto, and Messrs. D——s and B——r, tenor and basso, in excellent manner. Mr. C——n rendered the "Incamatus" in the Credo very well. M'me C——s, whose enchanting voice has so often greeted our ears with its clear tones and exquisite modulations, sang the *Ave Verum* of Meyerbeer, one of the most difficult compositions of sacred music, with that faculty and artistic method which distinguishes her.

ST. PAUL'S (EPISCOPAL) CHURCH,

Corner Camp and Gaiennie streets. The Easter services at St. Paul's were marked by an interest and a fervor which, while they must have been extremely comforting and gratifying to both the rector and the congregation, gave evidence that the church is prospering ever more and more. On Easter Eve the sacred rite of confirmation was administered by Bishop Wilmer to seventy-one candidates. The unusually inclement weather prevented thirty-five others who were in readiness from being present, but we are informed that the bishop will again administer the rite at St. Paul's on Whitsunday, the third Sunday in May. Reverend Messrs. Bakewell and Dillon, and the rector, Rev. Mr. Adams, were present, and an address full of eloquent teachings was delivered by the bishop.

The church on Easter morning presented a beautiful appearance. Perfumed with the odor of innumerable spring flowers, decorated with evergreens, its sacred precincts were more than ever consecrated to the worship of the Almighty, whose Son had on this day risen from the grave to save mankind.

The decorations were so elaborate that we fear an attempt at description may fail far short of giving a real idea of their beauty. Above the altar was erected an arch of evergreens, sixteen feet in height, and surmounted by a crown of green, fringed with a border of white roses. Directly beneath this in the key-stone of the arch was inlaid a recumbent cross of white flowers, beneath which in red and green letters and in old English text was the inscription: "Now is Christ risen." Upon the back part of the altar stood a pyramid of flowers, while the altar cloth bore the Greek letters, "Chi" and "Ro," the first letters of "Christos," and also the letters "Alpha" and "Omega." The lecturn and pulpit were each also decorated, the former bearing the inscription, "Thine was the Cross," the latter, "Be Thine the Crown."

The services in which Rev. Mr. Adams and Rev. Mr. Dillon took part were unusually impressive throughout, the sermon being preached by Mr. Adams, from the following texts:

"For in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."—[Genesis 2 chap., part of 17 verse.

"At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father and ye in me and I in you."—[St. John 14, 20.

The music was also beautiful, the choir being led by Mr. J. Wheeler and Mrs. Palfrey, and the organ admirably played by Miss Wilson. The sacrament was administered to a very large number of communicants. In the afternoon at 4:30 the Sunday School children assembled in the church, to celebrate their Easter anniversary under charge of Mr. McConnell, superintendent, and Mr. Hunter, assistant superintendent. Three hundred and twenty six children were in attendance, and their little voices led by the choir mingled in sweetest harmonies as they chanted the dearly loved music of their church; the choir singing Glorias in the intervals. The annual report of the superintendent was read by the rector, showing a wonderful growth and progress during the past year, and a fervent address was delivered the little ones by the bishop before they departed homeward.

Daily services will be held in St. Paul's this week at 5:30 P. M. by the rector.

An election for vestrymen was held at one o'clock yesterday, resulting in the choice of the following gentlemen: Vestrymen—Thos. Henderson, Daniel P. Logan, Jas. McConnell, A. Wallace Hunter, Jno. S. Bein, Wm. Coyle, Thos. Sloo.

THE CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME DE BON SECOURS, (CATHOLIC,)

On Jackson street, was early crowded by its usual beautiful and devout audience. The church is not as large as the other two churches in the same mission, of which the Rev. Henry Giesen is superior, but what it lacks in size it makes up in finished beauty. The altar was the simplest, and yet one of the most beautifully decorated of any that we saw during the day; the flowers and shrubbery were natural, and with the delicate and airy altar ornaments made a picture almost fairy in its finish. It is only doing justice here to say that the flowers were raised in a pretty little garden in the rear of the church, to which one of the assistant fathers devotes his spare hours. High mass was celebated by Father Alexander and the sermon was preached by Father Faivre in his usual refined and finished style. The musical portion of the mass, which was Mozart's Twelfth, was splendidly rendered by the usual choir conducted by A. U. Zorn, who, in the double *role* of conductor and organist had his hands full. The tenor and soprano solos, *In carnatus* and *Agness Dei*, were beautifully sung, the former by Mr. J. S., the able cashier of one our city banks. The name of the lady we were unable to ascertain.

CALVARY (EPISCOPAL) CHURCH, PRYTANIA STREET, NEAR WASHINGTON AVENUE.

There was a very large attendance here too on Sunday morning, the services being conducted by the Rector Rev. Dr. Lewis, assisted by Rev. Dr. Hedges. The decorations floral and in evergreen gave evidence of rare taste and great care on the part of the ladies of the congregation. An election for wardens and vestry men was held last evening, but the result we did not obtain in season for this morning's edition.

CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION, (EPISCOPAL,) CORNER OF RACE AND CAMP STREETS.

This thriving little church, sown as a grain of mustard seed, is rapidly expanding into a full-grown tree of usefulness and independence. The interior of the church edifice, though small, is neatly finished in black walnut, gas fixtures have been introduced throughout, and the entire building gives evidence, both inside and outside, of an energetic rector and a working congregation. It is in contemplation shortly to commence the erection of a new and handsome stone church, after the old English style of architecture, the site to be the vacant corner lot adjoining the present church building.

When the ladies of the congregation shall announce their fair and entertainment to aid in this project, let the public give them a liberal support, for their energies deserve it.

The Easter decorations of the church were simple but very pretty indeed. Upon the altar stood two vases of white camelias, and above it a cross and wreath of evergreens and white flowers. The same were intertwined about the railing around the altar, crept in festoons over the lecturn, reading desk and pulpit, and were to be seen wreathing the melodeon in the chancel and the heavy stone font, which by a happy thought stands at the entrance to the church, emblematical of that first step into Christ's Church which the child of Adam makes in baptism. Above the chancel, in polychromes, was the inscription, "Holiness becometh thine house, oh Lord, forever." The services were read and the communion administered by Rev. Mr. Percival, the rector, assisted by Rev. Mr. Bakewell, of Mount Olivet Church, Algiers.

At half-past 7 in the evening, Bishop Wilmer confirmed a class of twenty-five candidates, nearly all of whom were adults—Revs. Messrs. Percival, Bakewell, Adams and Duncan being present in the chancel, and the church being more crowded than it has ever been known to be before.

Between 1 and 4 o'clock yesterday, an election for wardens and vestrymen was held, resulting as follows: W. S. Brown, senior warden; B. Rhodes, junior warden; Messrs. Alfred Pierson, L. E. Collins, Edwin Briggs, C. N. Pasteur and Dr. Stickney, vestrymen.

Evening services, with a lecture, will be held in the Church of the Annunciation this afternoon. The superintendent, Mr. Rhodes, reports the Sunday school flourishing and increasing with sixty-odd scholars now on the rolls. There is a Ladies' and a Gentlemen's Benevolent Association organized in the congregation, by whom much good has been and is being done.

## RECORDER BECKER.

### HE IS INDICTED BY THE GRAND JURY.

### MISDEMEANOR IN OFFICE THE CHARGE.

Yesterday morning, as was anticipated by current rumors since last Saturday, the Grand Jury of the parish of Orleans appeared in the First District Court of this city and presented a true bill on the following indictment:

That one John P. Becker on the 9th day of February, 1869, with force and arms, etc., being then and there a civil officer, known to the laws of this State, to-wit: recorder of the First District of the city of New Orleans, and ex-officio justice of the peace in and for the parish of Orleans, duly commissioned and qualified, did in a certain case then and there depending before him for examination, as such recorder and ex-officio justice of the peace as aforesaid, accept and receive a certain bribe, to-wit: the sum of one thousand dollars, to influence his behavior in office, and so the grand jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do say that the said John P. Becker, being such recorder of the First District of the city of New Orleans, etc., did then and there in manner and form aforesaid commit a misdemeanor in office, contrary to the form of the statute of the State of Louisiana, etc. Signed, a true bill,

P. S. WILTZ, Foreman.

Mr. Oscar Peyroux, chief of the deputy sheriffs of the First District Court, was immediately placed in charge of the execution of a *capias*, and after being absent for about an hour, returned into court with Recorder Becker, who was required to give bonds in the sum of $1000, to answer for his appearance when summoned to answer the charge. Gust. Truce, a gentleman resident of the Third District, having offered himself as security, was accepted by Judge Abel, and the prisoner was released. The indictment is as published above, and no mention is made of the manner in which the matter was laid before the Grand Jury, but it has leaked out that the person alleged to have paid the amount mentioned to purchase the opinion of the recorder is the same who lays the case before the jury.

Calling upon Recorder Becker yesterday afternoon to learn something more about the matter, we were cordially received by him but failed to obtain the desired information. The recorder, however, stated that he was perfectly confident of a happy result to him; he was entirely ignorant of the nature of the charge, or by whom it could have been raised. He had reason to believe, however, that it emanated from parties who could not obtain his assent to commit injustices. The case will be fixed shortly.

### Arrivals at the Principal Hotels.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL.

Jno Grant, Pasagoula; Jno Toombath and wife, Nashville; A K Richards La; T F Tallmon and wife, Chicago; R S Cheatham, Nashville; W W Allen, Liverpool; O C Lodemam St Louis; F W Latham, Brownsville; J Pleasee, Tenn; M H White, Austin; E Swinford, Jones, Green co; Wm Conner, city; Jos L Le Bourgeois, Coast; Capt Geo L Norton, ship U S. J R Donaldson and wife, Chicago; Miss M Doule, Nashville; Jno H Smith, Ohio; A McDowell, Chicago; D S Underwood, N Y; Thos Turner, Lynchburg; J B Morey, N O; H Rumrigo, Galveston; G W White, Austin; Mrs Jno Hackett, Texas; Wm Wilson, city; J M Mewhinn, city; J W Godberry Jr, Coast;

ST. JAMES HOTEL.

S Denney, La; A Elston, Canton; Gen A Arnold, U S A; Miss L Cavenda, N Y; W C Compton and wife, Texas; W Cameron, Galveston; G W Alexander, N Y; R H Barrett, Houston, Texas; Wm Preeling; M C Johnson, Miss; Lettingwell and child, N Y; Thos B McDonogh, N Y; S D Harlan, Galveston; S E Lewis, Miss; E E Hamilton, Miss; A A Beattie, Va.

CITY HOTEL.

S Hrsh, Boston; T H Jones, Ala; P Maloney, Tenn; C B Clark and wife, U S A; C D Kelly, Miss; S C Hart, Texas; C P Cullen, Mo; W Winder; Mrs Winder; A Chusby and svt, St Louis; E Rodes N O; L Rosenfield, La; H S Robinson, Ala; Miss Williams, do; J J Thornton, Miss; J S Heuster and lady, Boston; F R Carlese, Miss; Wm Hart, Austin; W W Toby and wife, N Y; G W Jackson, Va; J J Dunnington, Texas; W D Eastland, Waco, Tex; C Conoway, U S A; J P Clements, Texas; Dan Openheimer, do; J G Rosenfield, do; M L Pany and daughter, Tex; J Oatney, N Y; T T Fitts, Miss; D G Jones, Ala; D L Lewis, N C; L C Nowel, Miss; W Murray, Va; W D Shea, La; J S Marmouth, Me; J Smith, Miss; T M Cash, Memphis; J Lee, Frankfort; J A Dodds, Miss; H E Lawrence, Coast; Fred Jaeger and wife, Ohio; Miss Georgia, Ala; S T Phillips, do; W J Britton and boy, Miss; O M Brooks, Miss; M Howard, Austin; M McCombs, Austin; E C Finney, Texas; G R Seward, Texas; N Guerney and lady, Texas; J W Hutchings, Texas; J T Britton, Texas; S Bummer, do; S Z Toman, do; J W Stoner, La; C O Weller, Texas; M Mudsung, Miss.

OUACHITA HOUSE.

W W Lee, La; R Hough, La; T W Meeks and son, Ark; G M McGeamin, Texas; P T Black, do; D B Sanford, Ouachita; W T Rodman, Ky; John C Mitchel, city. R T Dawson, La; M W Duelling, Mo; W Babcock, Texas; J T Gains, do; RC Clark, do; S W Dusby, lady and 2 children, Mobile;

COTTON SALES OF DAMAGED COTTON PICKINGS, PAPER STOCKS, REJECTIONS, ETC.—We are requested by Messrs. Nash & Hodgson, auctioneers, No. 170 Gravier street, to inform our cotton factors, brokers, insurance company, pickery men and others, that they are making up an extensive sale of the above descriptions of cottons for sale at auction, on Thursday, the 1st of April, (day after to-morrow,) at the various presses, and would desire those who have any odd lots unfit for the table to be sold, to send in their orders with marks, numbers, location, etc., as early as possible to-day, so that they may receive the proper attention.

COTTON, SHIP CHANDLERY, RUNNING GEAR, SAILS, ETC., BY AUCTION.—Messrs. Nash & Hodgson, auctioneers, will sell to-day at 11 o'clock A. M., at the Szymanski Press, some fifty odd bales cotton, life-boats, oars, anchors, ship's guns, etc., and at 12½ o'clock P. M., at Chandlers' Warehouse, an extensive list of sails, ship chandlery, etc., all for account of whom it may concern, from the wrecks of the steamship Pantheon and the steamboat Cuba No. 2, ex steamer Caroline. For full particulars, see the advertisements.

On a recent Saturday night, as John Morrissey walked down Broadway he was appealed to by a woman of haggard beauty, who said that her husband was ill and her children famishing. The expugilist went along with the woman to her wretched room in a Baxter street tenement, where he found the sick husband and the children cuddled together in a corner, lying "spoon fashion" to keep from freezing. Morrissey sent for his own physician, and gave the woman fifty dollars for immediate relief.

## THE AUDITORIAL ROW.

### A Conflict of Authority Between Two Courts.

### A General Arresting of All Parties Concerned.

This little difficulty, as if it were not sufficiently complicated already, was yesterday further mixed up by the action of Mr. Delassize, Governor Warmoth's appointee to the auditor's office. He appeared in the Fifth District Court and there, after stating that Mr. Wickliffe intends taking forcible possession of the auditor's office, asked for an injunction, restraining him or any one else from so doing; to this he tacks a suit for damages against Mr. Wickliffe for $1000. Judge Leaumont granted the injunction, after requiring $2000 bonds. Here are the closing words of Judge Leaumont's decree granting the injunction: "And it is further ordered that the petitioner be authorized and empowered, by virtue of his above commission (meaning the commission issued to Delassize by Gov. Warmoth) and by virtue of the authority of this court to perform all the duties appertaining to said office of auditor of public accounts, *any order of any district court to the contrary notwithstanding;* but until further order of this court."

This was a clear inquiring of the authority of the Seventh District Court.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon Mr. Wickliffe went before Mr. Justice Sadler and sued out a warrant of arrest against Delassize, police courier Macduff, Superintendent Cain, special officers Boullosa and Dumas and Dr. Southworth, charging them with burglary, in having entered and taken forcible possession of his office and the papers therein. Mr. Sadler placed the warrant in the hands of his constable, Mr. Plattsmier, for execution, who accordingly immediately arrested the parties above named and brought them before Mr. Justice Sadler. He released them on $5000 bonds each.

Then Judge Leaumont, hearing of the arrest of Delassize, to whom he had only yesterday morning given permission to hold the office of auditor, "the order of any district court to the contrary notwithstanding," for taking possession of that office, issued a warrant of arrest against Mr. Justice Sadler and his constable for contempt of court. Meantime, Mr. Plattsmier had gone with Mr. Wickliffe and put him in possession of the office; he accomplished this, Delassize being absent, and then, leaving another constable in possession, left the office. But, when the last named officer saw the deputy sheriffs whom Judge Leaumont had sent to enforce his order, he vacated the office, which was then left in peaceable possession of the deputy sheriffs.

Such is the present aspect of the affair. How it will all end, those who make it their business to unravel legal complications alone can conjecture.

### The Texas Cattle Disease.

[From the Galveston Bulletin, 26th.]

We had a call yesterday afternoon from Prof. Gamgee, who spent an hour enlightening us on the mysteries of the Texas cattle disease. He recounts his connection with it in this fashion: Being in the country at its outbreak, and having been employed by the British government in the investigation of cattle plagues, General Capron, commissioner of agriculture, employed him in the investigation of the Texas cattle fever. He devoted himself for months to the investigation. He pleads "not guilty" to the "creyptogamia theory," and disavows the fungi. He says that it is a fact that when Texas cattle were in the North they did communicate a disease, and that he ascertained the following facts:

1. That all Texas cattle have larger spleens than Northern cattle, and in all diseased cattle the spleen is greatly enlarged.

2. That some Texas cattle have died of the disease.

3. That the meat from these diseased cattle is not unwholesome, however unpleasant the idea of dining upon it may be.

4. That one diseased steer or cow will not impart the infection to another. Calves sucking diseased cows have escaped.

5. There is no known instance in which cattle passing on cars have communicated the disease to the cattle of the country.

6. Cattle separated by a single fence from Texas cattle are not affected.

7. After a period of ten weeks or three months in the North Texas cattle lose the power of infecting others.

6. Corn-fed cattle are harmless.

From these he adduces a theory that there is some quality in Texas grass which imparts to the *excretia* the power of engendering disease, as is the case in that human ailment the cholera.

Upon the representation of Prof. Gamgee the Chicago market for Texas cattle was kept open the whole summer, only such cattle as were found to have enlarged spleens being rejected. He claims that there is no necessity for discontinuing the trade, which may be safely carried on during the whole year, save in the heat of summer, and even then if the cattle are kept separate from others, and Northern cattle kept from their pastures.

He is not sure but that the systems of the cattle might be purged of this offensive matter in a much shorter time than ten weeks. But Professor Gamgee is of opinion that the remedy for the whole trouble will be found in a practice of feeding corn to the cattle for a period of say four months before sending them North. He says that the profit on a corn-fed steer is more than double that on one sent direct from grass, and that it will be found both safe and profitable. With a view to establish the absolute safety of corn-fed Texas beeves, he proposes that the agricultural department shall procure a drove of beeves, and, having taken them North, mix them in the same pasture with Northern cattle; he is willing to stake his reputation as a man of science that there will result no development of the disease. He was not present at the Springfield convention, and does not agree with its conclusions.

Prof. Gamgee is here for the purpose of practically testing his plan for preserving fresh meats. He visits Houston, where he will slaughter some forty or fifty animals, sending some to New York, others to Washington, and others to England. His system preserves the beef in quarter sections of its original color and appearance. Should he succeed, he will open a mine of wealth to his State, and especially to the grazing interests thereof.

### What is Fitness in Marriage?

The secret of fitness in marriage is opposition of temperament with identity of aim. Partners thus mated are in perfect sympathy of interests and purpose, while the difference of the methods which they use in seeking these common interests supplies a stimulus, a novelty, an unfailing variety to the daily experience of their lives. Each is thus the compliment of the other's nature. One may be grave, the other gay; one mainly intellectual, the other all heart; one impetuous, the other cool and deliberate. The most timid and delicate bride may wed the sturdiest and loudest Ajax of a husband; but these very differences will be mutually attractive, delightful, adjuvant to married lovers that have a single heart and will. Unity of purpose, variety of means toward that purpose—these are the conditions which lead to the truly happy marriages—the marriages in which each partner fulfils

Defect in each; and always thought in thought,
Purpose in purpose, will in will, they grow,
The single, pure and perfect animal,
The two-cell'd heart, beating, with one full stroke—life.

And when this unity of purpose and difference of temperament combine in a pair whose natures, intrinsically superior, have been developed by sufficient culture, and warmed by genuine love, do not all the conditions seem to exist that make life as well as marriage happy? When men and women aspire toward strength, fineness, nobility of nature in themselves, and require this intrinsic excellence in their mates, when they choose their partners according to these laws of inherent fitness, they gain possessions which are not trivial, like the culture with which the coarsest human grain is often veneered; which are not unstable, like fortune; which are not mistaken or transient like so much of love. "Where the superior man dwells," says Confucius, "how can there be wretchedness?" The superior man, the superior woman, these are the prizes in any relation of life; and especially in that of marriage. Finding them, one need not ask the question with which I began. Their well mated love is sweet; their happiness, their highest fortunes, are secure.—["To Marry or Not to Marry?" in April Galaxy.

Rodney French, of New Bedford, who wears a wig and dyes his whiskers, recommends the friends of the prohibition law in the Legislature to sit there until they are gray before accepting a substitute.—[Boston Post.

## GRAND LEVEE.

### ITS UTILITY AND ITS COST

### FACTS AND FIGURES.

### WITH SOME ACCOUNT OF AN EXCURSION THITHER.

On the classic banks of the Rhine stand now, as they have stood for 2000 years, embankments of great magnitude, protection earthworks; the swollen Vistula lashes its sides, but finds its fury idle and its wrath broken by earthen barriers; the thrifty Hollander, thanks to his dykes, can till his fields in security, and we of Louisiana, bearing in mind that "what man has done man can do," must guard our broad savannas against destructive floods and reclaim for commerce (and irrepressible taxation) millions of acres of once prosperous plantations. To effect this will require much of treasure and of toil. Already has the good work been begun. Several important levees, closing disastrous crevasses, have already been constructed. It was to inspect one of them, that an excursion party left last Thursday on the steamer Great Republic. The party consisted of Gov