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The Louisville Courier gives the following remarkable story of the mortality of mules in Louisiana. A gentleman, says that paper, who arrived here Saturday, informs us that during the week preceding his departure from Milliken's Bend, La., more than two hundred mules had died on twelve plantations near that place. The mortality had become so serious as to cause apprehensions as to the effect such a heavy loss of animals would have on the production of the growing crops.

Our informant, whom we know to be a gentleman of reliability and intelligence, says that the mules swell up, and while still alive burst with a noise like the report of a musket. It is his impression that the mortality is caused by "buffalo gnats," which get under the hair and into the large veins and into the nostrils of the animals, producing the consequences stated. Old and experienced planters know how to prevent and remedy the evil, but the new incomers who were expecting to realize rapid fortunes at cotton planting, will find that they have much to learn, and that many difficulties beset their pathway.

Through the politeness of the publisher, we acknowledge the receipt of the Life, Campaigns, and services of Gen. McClellan. The book is interesting, and contains 194 pages. Through the same source, we have on our table, a book entitled "Our Great Captains." The work contains a biography of Grant, Sherman, Thomas, Sheridan, and Farragut. It has 291 pages 12 mo. Persons desirous of obtaining the books can address S. M. Kennedy, 194 Clark street, Chicago, Ill.

As the hot weather is fast setting in, some steps should be taken, if practicable, towards checking the rapid increase of negro shanties about the city. These huts are getting as numerous as fleas in warm sand, and each of ten feet square, generally is occupied by the same number of souls, thus buddled together, they will naturally be the means of injuring the health of our city. We hope, for the benefit of the city and the welfare of these poor people, that some plan can be suggested which will operate as it should.

We are creditably informed that Gen. J. Longstreet will arrive in this city on the steamer Louis D'Or on to-morrow, Wednesday. Would it not be well for the citizens of Shreveport to make some arrangements to welcome him on his arrival, as a testimonial of their appreciation of his past gallant deeds.

We are pleased to learn that there will soon be a line of mail coaches running between Natchitoches, Mansfield and this place. The necessity of such a line has long been felt.

A good chance is offered to persons wishing to invest in lots and lands belonging to the Southern Pacific Railroad. See notice elsewhere.

Are you weakened by hardship and privation, slowly recovering from severe illness, afflicted with the infirmities of age, prematurely decrepit, or suffering in any way from general debility, constitutional or otherwise? If so, put your trust in the *Red Jacket Bitters*, which will recruit your system.

Thanks to our friend, Mr. F. N. Sanchez, for Natchitoches papers furnished this office.

Mlle. Coss' Opera and Concert Troupe have been entertaining our citizens. To-night a fine bill is offered, and from all we hear a good turn out may be expected. Go to-night and enjoy a few hours at the Gaiety Theatre.

No change is to be noted in the cotton market this week. Very little business doing, and money scarce.

Messrs. Pitts & Thayer will sell a fine assortment of goods on to-day and to-morrow, expressly for ladies. No gentleman will be admitted unless accompanied by a lady. Remember this.

Mr. C. C. Thayer, of the firm of Pitts & Thayer, we are pleased to learn, has been appointed agent of the Pioneer Southern Accident Insurance Company, of Lynchburg, Va., the only purely Southern insurance company in existence. All wishing to insure should call on him.

A story comes from Richmond that a Union General had won the heart and was about to receive the hand of a proud Southern belle, who had procured the wedding wardrobe and fixed the wedding day, when the wife of the officer appeared upon the scene and prevented further proceeding.

A New York correspondent of the N. O. Picayune, under date of the 23d ult., says:

The excitement in this city in relation to the cholera has completely died out, and even at Quarantine there is a daily abatement of the disease. There are now but one or two cases a day. The passengers on the England who arrived here a week ago, have gone to every part of the city and country, without a single case of cholera resulting from their presence amongst us. As there still continues to be a case of cholera now and then among the passengers of the Virginia, they are yet detained at Quarantine. The law is that fourteen days must elapse after the last case, until parties quarantined are allowed to land in New York. Our prominent physicians believe that cholera will as surely visit this country in summer as that the sun shines at mid-day.

Are you feeble, emaciated, broken down by care and anxiety, or exhausted by undue physical exertion? If so, put your trust in the *Red Jacket Bitters*, which will recruit your system.

## News Items.

Washington, May 29.—Senate.—The following joint resolution is a complete proposition to the constitutional amendment and is said to be the result of the deliberations of the Republican Senatorial caucus:

Sec. 1. All persons born in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal privileges of law.

Sec. 2. Representation shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within the Union, according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each State, excluding Indians not taxed, but whenever in any State the elective franchise shall be denied to any portion of its male inhabitants, being citizens of the United States, not less than twenty-one years of age, or in any way abridged, except for participation in the rebellion, or other crimes, the basis of representation in such State shall be reduced in the proportion which the number thus excluded bears to the whole number of male citizens, not less than twenty-one years of age, in such State.

Sec. 3. Senators, Representatives in Congress, or electors of President and Vice President, or any officer holding any civil or military position under the United States, or under any State, who, having previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State Legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof, Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each House, remove such disability.

Sec. 4. The obligations of the United States incurred in suppressing the insurrection, or in defense of the Union, or in the payment of bounties or pensions incident thereto, shall remain inviolate.

Sec. 5. Neither the United States, nor any State, shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or claim compensation for loss or emancipation of any slave, but all such debts, obligations or claims shall be forever held illegal and void.

Sec. 6. Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of these articles.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the special order bill reported from the Reconstruction Committee, April 20, to provide for restoring the States lately in insurrection to their political rights. Mr. Ashby, of Ohio, contended that the Government has the right, as conquerors, to impose such conditions as are deemed necessary for the national safety.

He wanted the hands of loyal men South strengthened by giving the blacks the ballot. Mr. Latham argued that the presumption that the Southern States were not a part of the Union was unfounded. He could never agree to the proposition that the approval of three-fourths of the States now represented in Congress was sufficient to ratify the amendment or that the ratification by each of the rebel States is required as a condition precedent to the right of representation. Further consideration of the bill was postponed until to-morrow.

New York, May 30, 2:30 P. M.—Cotton is dull at 39 to 42c. Gold 138 1/2. Sterling exchange 109 1/2 to 109 3/4.

A store keeper the other day stuck upon his door the following laconic advertisement: "A boy wanted." The next morning, on opening the store, he beheld a little urchin in a basket, with the following label: "Here he is."

**What to Get as Disinfectants, and How to Use Them.**—The people have been told over and over again to procure disinfectants, but they are uninformed as to the best articles for disinfecting purposes they should procure.

The following may be relied upon as good, being recommended by an acknowledged authority in sanitary matters:

For disinfecting clothing in the wash, get *alkaline permanganate*, and mix one ounce with ten gallons of water. This is an expensive but powerful disinfectant.

The most permanent and valuable antiseptic to be used about filthy places is carbonic acids, and coal tar compounds.

Common coal tar, from gas works, possesses all the disinfecting properties necessary, when used as a paint for cellars, vaults, etc.

Sulphate of iron, or copperas, is the cheapest and most effective disinfectant to use for privies, drains and foul floors. It is especially powerful as a disinfectant where cholera has been present. Three pounds in a gallon of water, should be used as freely as necessary. It should be kept daily in places, which are to be kept disinfected.

Chloride of lime is an antiseptic that acts diffusively and rapidly, though less permanently than some others. It is active in destroying compound gases.

The reader may select from this list for any exigency which may arise, or for preventive measures.

**Fashionable Singing.**—A sarcastic genius thus satirizes the present style of singing:

Many a time have we listened to a song terrified forth in the most artistic manner, querying mentally the while whether it was French, Italian or what foreign tongue, and have been chagrined to find that it was only English; but the keenest ear could not have detected a word or syllable analogous to any hitherto known in our vocabulary. At a school exhibition not long ago, the first music performed was "Teach me, O Lord," &c. It was sung thus: "Teach me, O Lord, on the day of thy statue san di shall kee pit unto the end, dan di shall kee pit unto the end." An anthem was next performed commencing, "Turn, O Lord, O turn away." It was rendered, "Telurn, no Lor do tschurn away."

## Malaria Everywhere.

Rarely has there been a season so fruitful in the production of malaria. Not only on the prairies and in the valleys of the West, but merely in all the old haunts of Fever and Ague and Billious Remittent Fever here these prostrating diseases have been unusually violent, but they have extended to towns and cities never before infested with them, and have even ascended the mountains and attacked thousands of people supposed to have been placed by the laws of Nature above their reach. Hence we are compelled to admit that a fatal miasm pervades the Universal Air, in season and should at once resort to the only approved preventive of its consequences.

**HOMIOTIC STOMACH BITTERS.** A tonic so potent, an antiseptic so powerful, an alternative so irresistible, and a stimulant so pure, that it enables the human system to resist and battle off the prostrating causes of disease. With one confidence that one clothed in immaculate garments might move among blinding buildings, the man who arms himself against malaria with this powerful *defensive agent* may walk a fever-ridden district fearless of its insalubrious atmosphere. The intermittents and remittents at present so general in all parts of the country may be met, the foreman of a distillery now on his way westward from the East. Prepare the system with

**HOMIOTIC BITTERS** for a successful battle with the mephitic causes of all epidemics. Beware in time. Sold everywhere.—N. E. World, Nov. 9, 1865.

**Will be Sold** A public auction in the City of Marshall on MONDAY, 15th June 1866, the lots and blocks of land, belonging to the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, adjacent to their Depot and line of Road, near Marshall, Texas. Terms, Cash, or audited and approved claims, to be paid to the Company. J. M. WASKOM, President.

**NOTICE.** This firm of HENRY, PARKS & CO. is this day dissolved by mutual consent. W. R. HENRY, R. P. PARKS, J. J. SAVILLE.

## THE CAPITOL HOTEL.

MARSHALL, TEXAS.

DAWSON &amp; BROOKS—Proprietors.

THIS Hotel formerly known as the "Adkins House" is one of the most magnificent and elegant hotel buildings west of the Mississippi river. Its interior and arrangements correspond with its exterior. The rooms are well furnished and every thing has been provided to promote the comfort of guests. The proprietors embrace the occasion to say, that neither pains nor expense will be spared to render it one of the very best hotels in the State.

Mr. Brooks has become lately so occupied with the house, and pledges himself to endeavor to give entire satisfaction.

**THE STABLE.** The proprietors have purchased the large, elegant Brick Stable east of the hotel. It is provided with an abundance of good, wholesome provender, attentive manager, and servants.

**HORSES, BUGGIES, and HACKS.** for hire or sale, or sold on commission. Their SPLENDID BAR cannot be surpassed. They will keep on hand the very best and choicest Liqueurs, Wines, and Beer throughout the season. Mr. Scott who has an interest in the bar, will be very attentive to this department.

The proprietors are determined to merit patronage, confident that they will receive it.

G. W. L. DAWSON, W. T. BROOKS.

June 5th.

An Irishman, giving his testimony in one of our courts, a few days since, in a riot case, said: "Be jabbers, the first man I saw coming at me, when I got up, was two brickbats."

Mediocrity despatches and exults; the man of talent congratulates himself on the success of his exertion; genius alone mourns over defeat & expectation.

## Pitts &amp; Thayer's Sales.

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Groceries, Liquors, Cigars, Tobacco, and Furniture.

By PITTS & THAYER.

CLARENCE C. THAYER, Auctioneer.

Will be sold on

Wednesday, June 6th, 1866.

At the Store Room, Millam street under the Verandah Hotel.

An excellent assortment of Dry Goods, Shoes and Hats.

Also—

Groceries, Liquors and Cigars 20 Boxes of Tobacco.

Also—

Furniture, such as Bedsteads, Bureaus, Washstands, Armchairs, Sofas, Chairs, &c.

Terms—Cash, in U. S. Treasury Notes.

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LARGE AND UNRESERVED SALE OF

Hardware, Tinware, Saddlery,

Crockery, &c., &c.

AT AUCTION,

By PITTS & THAYER,

C. C. THAYER, Auctioneer.

Will be sold on THURSDAY, June 7th, at