

# The Daily Comet.

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"THE DAILY COMET" is published every day (Mondays excepted) at the low rate of five dollars per annum, and will be punctually delivered every morning within the City, by the carrier.

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We are authorized to announce JAMES S. BAILEY, as a candidate for the Lower House in the next Legislature.

We are authorized to announce Col. A. L. H. DUNCAN, as a candidate for a seat in the Lower House of the next Legislature.

We are authorized to announce PETER McKITRICK, Esq., as a candidate for a seat in the Lower House of the next Legislature.

We are authorized to announce T. B. R. HATCH, Esq., as a candidate for a seat in the Lower House of the next Legislature.

Editor of the Comet:—You are authorized to announce GEORGE McMICHAEL, Esq., of the Parish of Livingston, as a candidate for the Senate for Senatorial District composed of the Parishes of East Baton Rouge & Livingston THE PEOPLE.

Service at the Catholic, Methodist, and Presbyterian churches this morning at 10 o'clock.

We see that professor Brunns has arrived in town and proposes to open his dancing academy immediately. Madame Brunns is with him and will assist in teaching the young ladies. Professor Brunns visits us annually, and is too well known to need our commendation.

His school will open at the Town Hall, and we feel assured that he will have a good class.

Walk in and see Musselman. He has just received from New York, a very large stock of fancy articles for Christmas Presents.

Go and look at them if you cannot purchase. His articles are of novel patterns and will reward you well for spending an hour with him.

We see that Mr. W. Hutchison has purchased the Livery Stable of J. Holt, Esq. Mr Hutchison will keep on hand good Horses, Carriages, and Buggies, and will be prepared to accommodate the public in the best manner. Mr. Hutchison is known to our people, as one of the late firm of W. Cline & Co., He is obliging and accommodating in business, and will meet with the usual patronage from the public which such business qualifications commands.

It will be remembered that on Tuesday next the Races over the Magnolia course will commence. The Stables now ready, are composed of the fastest rigs—the track is in the finest trim, and the weather the best that could be given. Many of the most celebrated sporting characters will be on the field, and we anticipate a large gathering from the country and neighboring towns.

Accommodations for the ladies on the most magnificent scale and a large concourse are expected to lend their smiles to the occasion.

Over 98,000,000 of letters passed through the post office of the United States during the last fiscal year. The revenue, under the reduced rates of postage, has fallen off nearly \$1,000,000.

Maine Law in Vermont—The Vermont Legislature adjourned a few days since, after the passage of a law by one majority—similar to the Maine Liquor Law, which is to be submitted to the people in February next, and if sustained, to go into effect March following. If not sustained by the people, it is not to go into effect until after the next session of the Legislature.

## The President Message.

In our yesterday's edition we gave the principal portion of Mr. Fillmore's last message to Congress. We only regret that we could not give the document entire, for there is not a sentence in it but breathes the purest patriotism, couched in the most forcible and eloquent language.

It puts to rest several vexed questions which during the *interim* of Congress have furnished food for the Politicians, and copy for the newspaper publishers. It is not to be wondered at that a great nation of newspapers and "remarkable men" (as Chuzzlewit say) should be tickled into a furious excitement about trifles.

The mammoth newspaper in the city labors and groans for its daily twenty-four columns of original matter, and it is not at all surprising that chaff should occasionally get into the mill. The country editor is but an echo of the city, thus thought acts upon thought—echo upon echo, and people who do nothing but read papers, and talk politics are kept in a continual hubbub of excitement.

It is astonishing how coolly and dispassionately the President in his message disposes of the "fishery question" to an amicable adjustment—how the obstacles in the way to the ship canal across the Isthmus is disposed of—the expedition to Japan is robbed of its mystery—the exports and imports computed in a few words—with substantial and wholesome reflections for the benefit of our commerce. All these matters that have made so many newspaper paragraphs are condensed into a few words, robbed of all superfluities, and deductions of wisdom and sound policy given in a spirit of the purest patriotism.

The closing paragraph of the message is a death blow to Filibusterism, and contains wholesome reflection for those who would "extend the area of liberty" at the cost of freedom itself.

With regard to the Spanish authorities in Cuba, we did not know before that the Captain General was so unimportant in power and authority from his sovereign.—Such being the case, we think that we should call him to account for inhospitable and childish acts, whereby our citizens are made to suffer.

THE CLOCK OF ST. JOSEPH'S.—On yesterday morning our old friend in the steeple of St. Joseph's awoke and commenced striking. We know not what could have influenced him to this proceeding. It has been a year ago since he paid off his hands—wound up his affairs and hid his face in shame for the parsimony of the town. We had thought that he would never run again, and carry a time for us, in the peculiar method of quatters and half quatters for which he is celebrated. When he awoke yesterday morning and struck four quatters out of existence, what a crowd of pleasant reminiscences he brought with him! Alas! the year is now gone; and must we not say that he has come in order to celebrate the birth of the christian world.

"Some say that ever against that day wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated Clocks go without being wound."

"No spirits walk or ghosts have power to charm, So gracious and so hallowed is the time."

Certainly honors are very cheap in this Great and Glorious and Growing Country. All kinds of mountebanks and sword swallows are called "Professors" all the learning necessary to get the title of M. D., is to know how to "bleed," and the title of Bishop is given to any man who can read the service for "Pentecost" in canonicles A spring back pen of Hinks Wells manufacture, to the hands of any fool makes an editor and as for Generals and Colonels a tea party of them can be mustered up in any country town when a bottle of champagne is to be broken. We do not complain that such is the fact, it is just as it should be, and goes to prove Pope's right when he says, 'Honor like shame from no condition rises.' Act well your part &c.

The Mobile Artesian Well.—The Mobile Tribune of yesterday has the following in relation to an Artesian well in that town:

The progress of this work has been somewhat slow since our last notice. The sand bed still continues, having already been penetrated about sixty feet. A slight admixture of quartz pebbles and clay balls are still observable. This sand is so loose, being almost silica, that on the withdrawal of the boring apparatus, it forced itself into the pipe, and rapidly occupying the greater part of the vacuum created but a few minutes before. Thus the operation is rendered slow and tedious. But Mr. Reid hopes to get through this thick stratum within a short time, when he will go ahead with greater speed. Yesterday the bone of a fish was brought up from the depth of some seventy feet and a distinct impression of a shell. The entire depth attained is nearly eighty feet.

THE CHINESE JUGGLERS.—The extraordinary troupe attracted a crowded house at Placide's, last evening. They are certainly, in some particulars, the most remarkable performers, of their kind, that we have ever seen, and quite unsurpassed for dexterity and skill. Independently of the pleasure derived from the exhibition of their surprising tricks, they possess a peculiar interest in being veritable Orientals, and presenting to us outside barbarians perhaps the only reliable authentic specimens we have seen of the subjects of the Celestial Empire. Hence they are real curiosities, and cannot fail to be regarded with general interest. They appear again this evening. They are engaged for a few nights only.—Bulletin.

AN AMERICAN VESSEL SEARCHED AT PALERMO.—A letter of the 8th ult., from Naples to the London Daily News, says, "An American trading ship, on its arrival from the United States at Palermo, recently was searched by the police authorities, who supposed she brought political correspondence. The American consul at Palermo had written for instructions in the case to the American Minister at Naples."

On the 29 ult, Souling gave what is called a "dress rehearsal" in New York, in which the staple of the audience was composed of clergymen. At the close, one of the reverend gentlemen got up on the staging and proposed that somebody should be selected to make a speech to the fair vocalist. Dr. Cox was accordingly chosen and did make a speech. It was the Boston scene repeated, except that nobody cried, and no Bibles figured in it.

NEW ORLEANS AND JACKSON RAILROAD.—We have received information that Mr. Robb, President of this road, has ordered sufficient iron for one hundred miles of the route. He has contracted for the locomotive.—Picayune.

In Siam the King terminates his dinner with an entertainment in the open air. This consists either of the baiting of a tiger or the impalement of a missionary. Nice place that to expound the Prophet.

A rich man may amuse himself of a morning playing the Croton upon his side walk, and the plants in his yard. If we in our mediocrity, if not in our poverty, do it, we must rise with the sun, and be thro' with the refreshing exercise before our neighbor looks out of his front door, or we are degraded to the level of a "man servant." Your millionaire can refuse to subscribe to a benevolent effort; we are mean if we decline. If he gives of his income a fraction whose numerator is a unit, and its denominator a sum larger than ever was entered in our account books, he is applauded. When we give to the amount of the hundredth part of our salary, we are ashamed.—N. Y. Times.

Somebody says when David slew Goliath with a sling, the latter fell stone dead, and of course was quite astonished, as such a thing had never entered his head before.

"John, how's your ma?" "Oh, she's fat and strong; how's yours?" "Feeb'e enough; I've got so that I can lick her now, and have every thing my own way. You don't see me going errands and doing chores about home as I used to."

MR. ROSS.—We learn that the health of this distinguished citizen, who is now in Philadelphia, is improving. He expects to be here by the 20th inst.—Pic.

## New Advertisements.

To the Public. A FINE stock of Provision and Groceries, for sale by barrel or box or package, fresh from the West. Dec. 12th S. M. HART, & Co.

To the Public. WE HAVE on hand Extra, Fancy and Super Fine St. Louis flour for sale by Dec. 12th S. M. HART & Co.

To the Trade. WE HAVE received this day from Cincinnati per steamer "Dolphin" One hundred bbls Ohio flour; 50 kegs Lard, new; 25 boxes Cheese, best; 50 lbs Butter Biscuit; 40 Large and Small Kegs Dairy Butter for sale by, Dec. 12th S. M. HART & Co.

NOTICE. H. B. VIBBERT respectfully informs his numerous friends and patrons that he has disposed of his drug store, on Lafayette street to Mr. WILLIAM BOZEL, recently from New Orleans. He also takes great pleasure in recommending him to the public as a gentleman possessed of every qualification for an accomplished and scientific Apothecary. November 20th 1852. dec 11

Cheap Pittsburg Coal. AT 50 cents per barrel. Apply at the Baton Rouge Foundry. December 11.

COAL! COAL! THE Subscriber has just received a load of superior Pittsburg coal; for sale at the lowest market price, in lots to suit purchasers. Dec. 10 1852. W. F. TUNNARD.

Piano for Sale. A FINE centre Rosewood French Action Piano with seven Octaves, Iron plate and Bar. Warranted to stand the climate. Further particulars enquire at the Comet Office. Persons desiring a fine Piano will please call and examine. Dec. 8th. The Advocate please copy it.

Auction! ON SATURDAY the 11th inst, at 11 o'clock A. M. will be sold a fine lot of furniture, at the Old College. Consisting in part of: Mirrors; Bed Steads; etc; etc. Tables; Fine Counting room desk; Bureau; one fine Chickering Piano. Dec. 9th. 3-1/2 E. BOEGEL, Auctioneer.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY. A number of house servants for the Louisiana Institution for the Deaf and Blind. Those having servants to hire are requested to make it known to W. S. Pike at the La. Branch Bank, or to J. S. Brown, at the Harney House. Dec. 10. 1-w. Gazette and Advocate copy 1st

Garden Seeds. JUST received from the Society of Shakers, Pleasant Hill, Ky., a large and fresh supply of garden seeds. dec 7-y. JOHN C. LANOUE.

WHITE WASH BRUSHES—A few dozen, very best make. For sale by dec 3-y. H. T. WARDEN, Drug.

Just Received. A fine lot of fresh currents; 10 kegs fresh Goshen Butter; 50 1/2 Boxes London Packed Raisins. F. H. MUSELMAN.

TO RENT. FROM the 1st of Jan. 1853 for (not less than) one year or a term of years, a convenient brick dwelling with eight or ten rooms on Lafayette street nearly opposite the Harney House. To a responsible tenant for some time fair inducements will be offered and improvements made to suit—apply to Dec. 6th Dr. FAY.

LOUIS GRANDPRE. Dealer in Watches, Clocks and Jewelry CHURCH STREET, East of the Harney House.

I HAVE JUST received from New Orleans a small stock of very choice and fashionable Jewelry. Consisting in part of fine Gold Breast Pins, Finger Rings, Ear Rings, &c., &c. I have also at my stand a good stock of Fine Gold Watches, and Mantle Clocks, all of which will be sold low for cash. Mending and repairing in all branches of this business done with neatness and despatch. LOUIS GRANDPRE. aug. 4-6m.

BULK PORK. 12,000 Bus Bulk Pork just rec'd from St. Louis and for sale by THOS. PRENDERGAST. [dec 5 ly.]

Fabers Magnetic Gauge. THIS invention, combining simplicity and elegance, for indicating the height of water in STEAM BOILERS, is all that can be desired for the purpose. Planters and others—proprietors of Steam Engines, are invited to call at the Baton Rouge Foundry and judge for themselves. for sale by oct 2-y. HILL & HENDERSON.

NOTICE. THE subscriber having just returned from New Orleans with a new and complete stock of Jewelry of the latest fashion; begs leave to inform the ladies and gentlemen, who may favour him with their patronage, that having made arrangements with a direct importer, he is enabled to sell as cheap as the cheapest, and warrants his goods to be what he says, otherwise, he will refund the money paid. Please call and examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere. sept 28-y. THOS. GOLDMANN.

MACKRELL—by barrels and Kits. For sale by TROUSSEAU.