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The city is remarkably healthy, but business is unusually dull.

The Southern Express Company favors us with the New York Tribune of Monday.

"A backward spring" is produced by presenting a red-hot poker to a man's nose.

The weather was too hot for comfort yesterday, but it was hotter the day previous.

Little fish have a proper idea of business. Not being able to do better they start on a small scale.

Worcester comes along with a Mrs. Flynn, eighty-two years old, who recently walked eighteen miles in five hours.

In London, it is said, for many years mercantile men have been the most liberal supporters of the fine arts.

It is quietly suggested to Horace Greeley that he will be more useful as a journalist than as a candidate for office.

It has just been discovered that nothing will make a woman so mad as looking for her night cap after the lamp is out.

Mrs. Jones, of Bay City, Michigan, made her hubby hand out fifty dollars for a new dress. She did it with a little revolver.

The far-famed banking house of the Rothschilds, having been founded in 1771, will be one hundred years old this year.

Professor Mudge writes that he has found at Fort Harker, in sandstone, a rich deposit of ten new varieties of fossil leaves.

Messrs. Louis Stern & Brothers will sell to-day at ten o'clock, at No. 16 Chartres street, eight hundred cases boots, shoes, and brogans.

The stock books of the Louisiana State Lottery Company will be closed from the thirtieth instant until after the dividend is declared. See advertisement.

Mrs. Amodeo Ducatel, Jr., extended to the REPUBLICAN editorial staff the courtesies of an invitation to attend the Beaugard school exhibition yesterday.

We have received a polite invitation to attend the Peabody Normal Seminary commencement at Minerva Hall, Clis street, to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

Miss Althea Maureau and Miss Eugénie Coulon invite a reporter of the REPUBLICAN to be present at the De Soto school exhibition to-day at eleven o'clock.

The season of pilgrimage to Mecca is now over, and has been marked by no epidemic. As many as a hundred thousand pilgrims were assembled at Mount Arafat.

The Atlanta Sun flies the name of Alexander H. Stephens as one of its three proprietors. Archibald M. Speights and J. Henly Smith are the other proprietors.

From M. D. Cooper, principal of the Bartracs street school, came an invitation to the editors of the REPUBLICAN yesterday to witness the closing exercises of that school.

There remains but a single county in Mississippi and a single township in Arkansas to be heard from to complete the census returns from the entire United States and Territories.

James A. Rayner, Esq., president of the New Orleans, Mobile and Texas Railroad Company, left this city for New York yesterday on the eleven o'clock train, via Mobile, for Louisville and New York.

An ambitious American offered two thousand francs for the privilege of being the last to ascend the column Vendôme. The communists were very poor, but not enough so to speculate in nonsense, and refused.

The thermometer yesterday morning at seven o'clock was 81° at New Orleans, 78° at Augusta, 85° at Charleston, 79° at Savannah, 84° at Cincinnati, 80° at Louisville, 82° at St. Louis, 67° at Nashville, 83° at Key West, and 84° at Havana.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation from the "Lincoln Republican Club," of Gretna, to attend a celebration to be given by them on the Fourth of July, 1871. We shall take great pleasure in being present on that occasion if circumstances will permit.

It is reported that the Central Democratic Committee of Tennessee proposes to call a conference of Southern politicians, to meet at Nashville during the coming summer, to consider the political situation and to determine their most advantageous course of action.

Some excitement has been occasioned at Arlington, a part of Boston, by the report that the venerable old parsonage mansion recently removed from Pleasant street was haunted. No ancient edifice has a better right to be disturbed by goblins than the Bradshaw mansion.

Commissioner Pleasanton, of the Internal Revenue Bureau, is greatly praised for giving the women clerks a chance at the higher grade of clerkships. One lady in his bureau, after sustaining a thorough and most difficult examination, has been made a first class clerk, and three other ladies have successfully passed the examination for second class clerkships.

CLEMENT L. VALLANDIGHAM.

The announcement of the sudden death of this noted Democrat has been the cause of the exhibition of much feeling all over the country, and his funeral, which took place at Dayton, Ohio, on the twentieth of this month, is represented as one of the most imposing characters. The telegraph announces that many distinguished gentlemen from all parts of the Union, among them men who had bitterly opposed Mr. Vallandigham's political views in the past, were present at the funeral. This is proper. The following distinguished gentlemen acted as pallbearers upon the occasion: A. G. Thurman, S. S. Cox, George E. Pugh, George W. McCook, Judge Gilmore, General O. C. Maxwell, John Howard, Samuel Creighton, Elisha Thompson, D. R. Boyer, W. H. Gillespie and D. A. Hawk.

It is to be presumed these gentlemen were his personal friends and admirers during his lifetime, and, as such, assisted in the solemn ceremonies of consigning his body to the tomb, where, from his sudden and unexpected death, there was much cause for serious reflection upon the uncertainties of this life. But a few days before their departed friend, then in the prime of life, and brimful of hope, had arranged for "a new departure," yet he little dreamed of the new departure that was then in store for him. He was arranging to renew the battle of political life, when by the accidental discharge of a pistol in his own hands he was suddenly called to close his accounts in this world, and take his departure for that bourne whence no traveler ever returns. Although we disliked very much the course Mr. Vallandigham took during the war, we can admire the fine qualities and high character of the man. His friends claim that he was "frank, genial, reliable; a live friend and a charming companion." It is said that to the bold, robust character of the Western man, he united the high tone, generous impulse and refinement of the Southern school of statesmen.

Mr. Vallandigham was undoubtedly a man of considerable ability and force of character. He was bold and earnest in his political career, which commenced in 1859. He was then elected to represent the third district of Ohio in the thirty-sixth Congress. He was what was termed in politics an ultra Southern man at that time, and to that extent was undoubtedly of the "Southern school of statesmen." He was re-elected to the thirty-seventh Congress, and gained considerable notoriety in his opposition to measures calculated to enable the United States government to resist secession. After the close of the extra session of Congress held in 1861, Mr. Vallandigham turned up in Baltimore, where there was much excitement. He added to the inflammation in the minds of the people by making incendiary speeches. This conduct was disapproved of and denounced by many of his friends in Ohio, who, when the time came, did not fail to vote against him. In 1862 he was defeated by a large majority of the voters of his congressional district, and another man sent to represent them who would support the government in defending the integrity of the country. Mr. Vallandigham did not leave Congress, however, without giving still further proof of his belief in secession and his bold determination to help it as long as he remained where he could oppose the voting of men and supplies to the government to enable it to resist rebellion. At that early day in the civil war, which he helped to inaugurate, Mr. Vallandigham was freely denounced by the Union men as a rebel and traitor. And at that time there were still a few men in Ohio who thought and acted with him. In 1863 he was nominated as the Democratic candidate for Governor. In the course of the canvass his invectives against the government and military became so coarse and violent that it was deemed right to arrest and try him by court-martial. This was done, and he was sentenced to confinement in a military prison until the close of the war. President Lincoln changed the sentence by ordering him to be sent beyond the military lines of the United States armies. He was sent into the "so-called Confederacy," and from there made his way into Canada. While he was there the election for Governor in Ohio took place, and the rather distinguished exile had the supreme pleasure of being defeated by an overwhelming majority of his countrymen, who chose to materially differ with him in regard to State rights. This put an end to Mr. Vallandigham's political ambition for the time being, and closed his political history until quite recently. For several years he remained "shelved," and it was not until within a few weeks that the great Ohio secessionist again appeared in print as a political actor. Just before his unfortunate death he had become prominently before the country in quite a new character. This time he appears as a Union man in a manifesto advising the Democratic party to accept the results of the war. In this character he might have done some good, and it is to be regretted that he was not spared to atone for his past political errors by a patriotic course in advocating unity among the people of the States composing the American Union. Mr. Vallandigham was comparatively a young man—not much more than fifty years of age; and once upon the right path, his great talents, ardent spirit and experience would undoubtedly have rendered him a valuable man to his country. It is doubtful, however, whether he had sufficient influence with the Democratic party to cause it to abandon its long cherished notions of State rights, as understood by Southern politicians of the Democratic faith.

ALABAMA AND CHATTANOOGA RAILROAD.

Several days since the mails for Washington, New York and the East were ordered to be sent from this city over the Mobile railroad by the 5:30 P. M. train, which was intended to connect with the Mobile and Ohio trains at Mobile and the Alabama and Chattanooga railroad trains at Meridian. Just then, however, the Chattanooga road was beset with difficulties that led to the suspension of the trains, and for several days the suspension continued.

The Mobile Tribune of yesterday says of the Alabama and Chattanooga railroad: "The differences between debtors and creditors on this road, we are informed, are so far adjusted as to enable the road to resume regular trips, according to the schedule, to-day. Trains will run through from Meridian to Chattanooga to-day, and regularly hereafter." "An order came here Tuesday to transfer the mails referred to from the New Orleans and Mobile railroad to the Jackson railroad just as there was a resumption of through trains by the way of the Chattanooga short route, and so there was possibly another error in mail transportation. The Louisville Ledger, in discussing the affairs of the Alabama and Chattanooga railroad, starts out with this declaration: "We are safe in saying that this road in its appointment of equipment and general construction is superior to any railroad in the South, with the single exception of the Louisville and Nashville railroad. It is 235 miles in length; commences at Chattanooga, in Tennessee, and extends to Meridian, Mississippi. It is claimed for it that it is the shortest route between New Orleans and New York, and it is capable of still shortening the distance by being so well built as to be able to make forty miles per hour without danger to travel. It is said by its friends that the time can be easily made in from six and a half to seven hours."

The Ledger adds: "Mr. J. C. Stanton, its projector and builder, has been over three years in its construction, in which he has exhibited energy and pluck. Mr. Stanton was the enterprise, had the assistance of the State of Alabama in the shape of indorsements of its bonds to the amount of \$1,000,000 per mile, and a further grant of 956,000 acres of land, with which to build the road. Mr. Stanton has completed his road and has stocked it well, and was moving on swimmingly, but in order to accomplish this he found at last that he owed a floating debt of \$1,500,000, or perhaps \$2,000,000; of this over \$400,000 was due to the State of Alabama, and the remainder to energy and pluck. Mr. Stanton was the enterprise, had the assistance of the State of Alabama in the shape of indorsements of its bonds to the amount of \$1,000,000 per mile, and a further grant of 956,000 acres of land, with which to build the road. 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