

AMUSEMENTS.

VARIETIES THEATRE.

Director: JOHN E. OWENS. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and Saturday Matinee. Belles Lamar. Monday Evening. Mr. OWENS will appear in his great character of CALBE PLUMMER, THE OLD TOY MAKER.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.

Benefit of the queen of proteas stars, LITTLE NELL. Friday Evening, December 11, 1874. The new comedy proteas play entitled NO NAME. Little Nell in four different characters.

BIDWELL'S ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

Last three days of HUMPHY DEMITT TROUPE. Friday, December 11, 1874. FAREWELL BENEFIT OF GEORGE L. FOX, upon which occasion the performance to commence with the LOTTERY TO K. T. FOX as a warm-up.

OPERA HOUSE--OPERA HOUSE.

Opera House, December 12, 1874. Monday, December 11--Double Matinee. Grand Opera in four acts. Saturday Evening, Performance at 7 P. M. LA JUVENE. Grand Opera.

ST. PATRICK'S NEW HALL.

Grand Opera, Fancy Dress, Masquerade and Casino Ball. Monday, December 11, 1874. Grand Opera in four acts. Saturday Evening, Performance at 7 P. M. LA JUVENE. Grand Opera.

ANCESTORS OF FIBBERGANS.

ANCESTORS OF FIBBERGANS. Saturday Evening, December 19, 1874. AT ST. PATRICK'S HALL. CHARACTERS OF ANCESTORS. Mr. Finney, Mr. K. H. Jones, Mr. Brown, Mr. Davis, Mr. A. G. Boyer, John Fitzpatrick.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTICE TO BUREAUX, FACTORS, PARTNERS and the public. James H. Brown, 117 Poydras street, New Orleans, La. Applications for invitations to be held at James H. Brown's office of Customs and Excise, 117 Poydras street, New Orleans, La. on Monday, December 15, 1874, at 10 o'clock.

CITY DIRECTORY NOTICE.

SEND IN YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS. Also your subscription, if not given. Parties who may have reason to suppose they have been omitted by our canvassers for the 1874 CITY DIRECTORY.

J. F. DICK, ATTORNEY AT LAW.

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Office, No. 21 Union street, between Customhouse and Bienville streets, opposite the Customhouse, NEW ORLEANS.

STEAMER ELECTRIC SPARKS.

Drivers of gas to the electric Spark, from New York, in 1874, are hereby notified that unless their claims are filed AND WITHOUT DELAY, they will be barred. Claims received with dispatch by J. G. BURTIS, United States Commissioner, No. 35 Canal street.

P. A. MURRAY, GISTERN MAKER.

No. 191 Magazine street, between Julia and N. Joseph streets.

MARSHAL'S MONITIONS.

E. A. Yorke et al. vs. ship Transmanian. THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, District of Louisiana, No. 1973--In obedience to an admiralty warrant, to wit directed in above entitled suit, I have caused to be taken into my possession the ship Transmanian, her tackle, boats, apparel, etc. now lying at the wharf of the United States Court of Louisiana.

FOR RENT.

PLEASANT ROOMS, WITH OR WITHOUT board, can be procured at No. 220 St. Charles street. Terms moderate.

EDUCATIONAL.

PHONOGRAPHY. The advertiser wishes to form a class young men desiring of learning the above art. MURPHY'S SYSTEM will be taught, in which the undersigned has had experience as an able and successful teacher. For terms, etc., address BLAKE POSTER, at this office.

PUBLIC SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The examinations yesterday were in the Third and Fifth Districts, and passed off creditably. This finished the exercises in the primary schools, and taken altogether proves that our public schools were never in a better condition than at present. We have endeavored to give our readers an unbiased report of the examinations, and found nothing but pleasant words for each school. In a few instances we might have given more praise than we did, but abstained from saying all that might have been expressed, fearing that perhaps our motives would be misconstrued. Teachers have not been paid regularly, yet in every instance they have been faithful to their trusts, toiling and waiting patiently. The children have made more than the average progress during the past year, as is proved by the large number of applicants for transfer to the High Schools.

WILLMORE--BOYS.

This is the largest school in the city, and although the building is large it is hardly sufficient for all the pupils within its walls, for there are over 700 pupils attending. More pupils were admitted to the High School from it last year than from any other school, and sixteen pupils are aspiring for that honor this year. The building is kept in perfect order, its neatness invariably attracting attention, and strict discipline is maintained, the boys being drilled every morning, and in proof of its good effect the average of tardiness for last month was but two. In the extended programme of exercises yesterday there were many worthy of notice, especially the German song, "Myzel Solder's Barty," by William Gordon; the "Declaration of Independence," by J. C. Myer; "Alone the Brave," by P. Michalich, and an excellent recitation of "The Soldier from Binger," by B. Brock. The teachers of this school are--Thomas J. B. Flynn, principal; Lewis L. Bourgeois, Mr. M. A. Stevens, first assistant; Miss A. J. Cell, Miss C. Leonard, second assistant; Miss M. A. Ferguson, Mrs. C. Woodcock, Miss J. A. McAnulty, Miss E. Quayle, Miss M. Perez, Miss Annie Twomey, Miss A. W. Dural, Miss M. G. Spooner, Miss Emma Sweetwater, third assistants.

DEARBORN--GIRLS.

The scholars of this school were found engaged in the customary exercises of the day, the exhibition merely giving them extra work. The complaints often made by principals, that the exhibitions come at the most inconvenient time, was apparent. The higher classes are now engaged in preparing to enter the High School, and the attention of the teacher is demanded more than at any other time. The end of the summer term would perhaps be a better season for these exhibitions. There are at this school 115 pupils--rather crowded, certainly, but the attendance has averaged 100. Little Miss Marco, the daughter of the Cuban exile, is here, and her remarkable talent for declamation was displayed. The teachers are Mrs. V. Decatel, principal; Miss O. Fitar and Miss C. E. Watson, first assistants; Miss Kate Munster, second assistant; Miss K. Tule and Miss A. Hart, third assistant; Miss E. Tobin and Miss Frances Devonshire, superintendents.

LAHARRE--BOYS AND GIRLS.

This school had no exhibition yesterday, that being fixed for next Thursday evening. On that occasion an opera, under the direction of Professor Watts, will be given by the well drilled pupils. An organ, purchased and insured by the proceeds of exhibition, is owned by this school, which has eight departments and 278 scholars--112 girls and 166 boys, including a branch on Roman street. That the school is a credit to the teachers is evident from a commendation of a visitor written on the blackboard: "All the children looked beautiful."

BAYOU BRIDGE--BOYS AND GIRLS.

This school, occupying one of the handsomest buildings and grounds of any devoted to the purpose of education in New Orleans, has 150 pupils, sixty-five of them being girls. The exercises yesterday were of a mixed character, like the school. One young gentleman gave a tribute to Washington, with an appreciation surprising in so youthful a declaimer. "L'Amour Meritai" was finely rendered, and so was "Beautiful Snow." The school is much more prosperous than it was a year ago, when only sixty pupils attended it. The teachers are Mrs. C. Collerton, principal; Mrs. A. W. Brown, first assistant; Mrs. E. Dahlgren and Miss L. Dismonne, third assistant; Miss H. J. Crowell, superintendents.

VILLIERE--BOYS AND GIRLS.

At this school there seems to have been more attention paid to proficiency in studies than to develop display. There were but few songs and pieces, but those were good. "Come ye Robins," sung by the whole school, was very pleasing, and so were some other songs and recitations. The school has 131 attendants, sixty-four of them being girls. Miss Roxborough is proud of her first class in arithmetic, and so would any teacher be. The school staff is Miss E. F. Roxborough, principal; Mrs. L. M. Knox, second assistant; Miss S. Sherlock, third assistant; Miss Bessie Byrne, superintendents.

BRETTON--BOYS AND GIRLS.

This building is perhaps too far out of the way for attention of the authorities, but as it is on city property some care should be taken of it. The iron cistern, if not soon supported, will fall over, and some little one will fall into the well if it is not boarded over. Heavy damages will doubtless follow if the new administration do not heed the warning. Miss Fair caused for rather contracted room to be bandaged, decorated, evergreen being prominent, and as going to send four good children--Ellis Guerrier, Charlotte Camp, A. J. Ellis James Morris, and one had little good scholar to the High School. She has 161 pupils, nearly two-thirds boys, and many who should be mentioned but will make a white mark by and by. In addition to the other teacher Miss Clementine Ber and Mme. Stacker assisted to cause a success in the musical department. Director McCarty owes his thanks to them. The teachers are--Miss A. Farr, principal; Miss E. Belloquet, second assistant; Miss

L. Van Dyke, Mrs. S. Blanc, third assistants; Miss Annie Gordon, superintendents. GENTILLY AND PONTCHARTRAINS--BOYS AND GIRLS.

At these schools, under the direction of Miss M. Devenshire and Mrs. M. Chambers, the exercises were creditable to both pupils and their proficient instructors, as was well remarked by Superintendent Boothby and his assistant, Mr. Calhoun, when visiting them.

HANCOCK--BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Hancock School is located on the levee near the Jackson Barracks, and is attended by about 108 pupils. The building is very well adapted to the purpose for which it is used, and the school is flourishing under the direction of Mrs. S. G. Thayer, principal, and Miss J. Mylod, first assistant. An additional teacher might be employed there to good advantage.

ELMIRA--BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Elmira School is located on Congress street, and is well provided for in the way of a building. The teachers are Mrs. S. Williams, principal, and Miss S. Houston, first assistant. About 125 pupils attend.

McARTHUR--BOYS.

This school is held in the old McCarthy mansion, which is well adapted for the purpose. It has 400 pupils, five of whom are ready for the High School. No special exhibition was given here. The teachers are Mr. Peter Graham, principal; Miss E. Kennedy and Miss A. Harris, first assistant; Miss E. Clark and Miss A. Sheehan, second assistant; Miss M. Myers, Miss R. Fortune, Miss M. A. Murphy, Miss E. S. Leslie and Mrs. E. T. Trout, third assistants. The school is well disciplined, and in a flourishing condition.

WASHINGTON--GIRLS.

The Washington School is situated at Chartres and Poydras streets, in an elegant building erected for the purpose. It is in all respects a first-class grammar school and has 150 pupils. The teachers are Miss L. P. B. Wilder, principal; Miss M. A. Tyrrell and Miss E. Vance, first assistant; Miss M. E. Anderson and Miss J. Mayberry, second assistants; Miss P. E. Conner, Mrs. M. Mulvey, Mrs. A. Maddox and Miss K. Harby, third assistants. An increasing exhibition of the pupils was in progress, which was largely attended by the friends of the children. The Washington has five girls prepared for a higher school.

MARIGNY--BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Marigny street school is taught by Miss S. Easton, principal; Miss E. P. McCarthy, first assistant; Miss A. L. Desjardins, second assistant, and Miss L. Faust, third assistant. Miss Easton is an excellent teacher, of ability and experience, and under her direction the school is progressing finely. Very good building accommodations are now provided for it. It has 299 pupils.

McDONOUGH--BOYS AND GIRLS.

This school was formerly known as the Chalmers School, and is located in the fine new building erected on the site of the old one, which was destroyed by fire. The building is admirably arranged and adapted for school purposes. Yesterday an exhibition was in progress, in which the youngsters showed to good advantage. Pupils to the number of 305 attend this school, and twelve of them are candidates for the High School. The teachers are Mr. J. Weber, principal; Mr. L. J. Leche and Miss M. Sweeney, first assistants; Mrs. A. Stockdale and Miss M. Little, second assistants; Miss M. A. Stewart, Miss L. Bertus, Miss L. M. Webb and Miss L. Kenny, third assistants. Graded as a grammar school, it is a flourishing one, and the improvement in building accommodations is visible upon the scholars, for it can not be denied that light, airy and attractive school rooms help much to make cheerful and willing scholars.

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for the excellent grade that this school has gained. The attendance is almost perfect. The building is not suitable for a school, but before many more months a new one will be constructed. The rolls of honor make a fine showing: Misses Josephine Lawson, Annie Garner, Emma Gardner, Maggie Crawford, Isabella Woodman, Mary Dwyer, Lizzie Croton, Annie Lanman, Kate Cooney, Lizzie Donnenfeiler, Manie Cruanas, Kate Frazier, and Masters William O'Brien, P. H. Joyce, A. Kelley, G. Berry, N. Covell, William Burgess, William Howe, S. Heap, H. Ormond, J. Burke, A. Duvie, L. Willis, S. Donwar, C. Oust, J. Forrester, William Short, James Heist, G. Forrest.

Teachers--F. Lowe, principal; Mrs. A. B. Craig, first assistant; Miss R. Collyan, Mrs. K. N. Stanislaus, Miss E. Anderson, Mrs. K. J. Richer, Miss E. M. Browne, Mrs. T. W. DeKlyne, Miss C. Dyer, Miss M. Lilly.

One hundred and sixty-three children are striving to obtain such an education as will fit them for the active life which will be their own soon enter on. The school is held in a church, and of course there is only one room for the four teachers, but notwithstanding this misfortune the teachers have brought their classes up to a good standard. Several boys could easily pass an examination for promotion, but ever since the school has been in existence the first class quietly withdraws, seemingly content with having gone through a primary school. The roll of honor is as good as Charles Clever, George Briggs, Homer Walker, Moses Wadley, Francis Graham, Henry Green, William Young, Lizzie Daniels. All the exhibition yesterday all the classes joined in a song, singing as sweetly as one could wish. A piano was kindly loaned by Mr. Weidman, as he has done at each examination.

Teachers--Miss I. Fredericks, principal; Miss M. W. Clinchey, first assistant; Mrs. I. C. Jones, second assistant; Miss M. Bryan, third assistant.

More than a hundred children assemble here and seem to take kindly to books, but the first class is kept down in consequence of the plodders leaving just when they ought to be in the High School.

Teachers--Miss E. T. Hayden, principal; Miss A. Michael, second assistant; Miss N. Skiffington and Miss C. Latrobe, third assistants.

Mr. Williams has a good school, about two miles below Algiers, and gives the children every advantage in his power. His scholars do not attend as regular as he wishes, but this is caused in consequence of the children living long distances from the building.

The Cut-off Road School, for boys and girls, is tolerably well sustained, and Mr. E. North manages to do some good service.

The Dunn School, for boys and girls is as good as circumstances will permit. Mr. J. S. Marshall does not tire in teaching all the children who choose to avail themselves of his school.

Immediately after this body was called to order yesterday, Mr. Arroyo made a statement in regard to the returns of De Soto parish, reiterating what Democratic counsel had previously said about them--the reported attempt to dispose of the returns by the supervisor of De Soto parish; his mysterious disappearance; the attempt to have the board get possession of the returns by writ of sequestration, etc. After this story of Democratic counsel had been fully retold by Mr. Arroyo, that gentleman informed the board that there was still another chance to obtain the returns from De Soto. He said the clerk of the district court of that parish was present with original copies of the returns, which (Mr. Arroyo) desired the board should receive as evidence of the result of the election held in that parish on the second of November last.

President Wells reminded the gentleman that the clerk of the district court of De Soto parish was not authorized by law to furnish the board with returns, and that the board had no authority for receiving returns other than those transmitted to it in accordance with law. The president said there were no returns before the board, and ruled that none could be received except by law through channels authorized by law.

Upon being further pressed to receive the papers in the hands of the clerk of the district court, the president said he had already ruled them out; but if the gentleman (Mr. Arroyo) was dissatisfied with the ruling of the chair he could appeal from it. In that case the consideration of the papers Democratic counsel desired to have introduced would rest with the board. If the board desired to receive them as returns from De Soto, it could do so by overruling the decision of the chair.

After some further discussion upon the subject, indulged in chiefly by Democratic counsel, President Wells reminded speakers that they were uselessly consuming the time of the board; that he should adhere to his ruling until the board had determined to act differently. If members were dissatisfied with the ruling of the chair an appeal should be taken. He repeated that there were no returns from De Soto parish before the board.

Mr. Arroyo said that returns could be had if the board would decide to receive them. He again offered the papers, contained in a package, and sealed, in possession of the clerk of the district court of De Soto, and said the board could order them opened.

The president said the board had no authority to do this, as the papers did not belong to the board.

Mr. Arroyo then handed them back to Mr. Reynolds, the clerk of the district court of De Soto parish, as that gentleman owned the package. The papers were examined by Mr. Anderson.

Messrs. Whitaker and Ziegler, who attended that they should be received and acted upon by the board.

The president firmly adhered to his ruling, and again reminded gentlemen that it was useless to further discuss the matter, and again advised an appeal from his decision if any member was dissatisfied with it.

Mr. Anderson, after looking over the papers, said he believed the ruling of the chair was correct; that there was nothing locally before the board from De Soto parish; but he would consent to receive the papers before the board for what they were worth, leaving the board to determine what disposition should be made of the case hereafter.

Mr. Arroyo then appealed from the decision of the chair, and his appeal was duly seconded.

The president stated he had ruled that there was nothing before the board from De Soto parish, and from that ruling Mr. Arroyo had taken an appeal, and it remained for the members of the board to determine whether the ruling of the chair was to be sustained or not.

The question was then put to a vote and the chair was sustained by four yeas to one nay.

Mr. Arroyo asked permission to enter the following protest, which was agreed to, with the understanding that President Wells should have the privilege of giving his written reasons for the ruling made by him in the De Soto case:

The undersigned, a member of the Returning Board, protests against the decision of the board in rejecting the duplicate original election returns offered to establish the vote of the parish of De Soto, because the supervisor of registration of said parish had failed to transmit the report required of him by law, for the following reasons, to wit:

1. Because for the wanton and criminal failure of the registrar in filing with the board the duplicate returns, election returns, tally lists, etc., of the commission of election in the parish of De Soto, the people of that parish can not and should not be deprived of the right which they have and are entitled to by the laws of this State when all the formalities of the law have been complied with and when that manifestation has been expressed through the people of that parish, by the solemn and purport of which should remain inviolate and sacred. And in the absence of such documents, the next step to arrive at that desired conclusion is to compare the duplicate original election returns filed by the commissioners of election at the different polls of said parish through the supervisor of registration, with the clerk of the district court for said parish and now in this city and offered to be examined and compiled.

2. Because the action of the board in this case is a reversal of its decision in the case of the tenth ward of this city, where, in the absence of the regular returns, this board has sent for the ballot box in the possession of the clerk of the court, and the same was adopted by the board.

3. Because the duplicate original returns to the board are equal in authenticity and dignity to the duplicate in the hands of the supervisor of registration; that they are legal records of the court, deposited by virtue of law for the sole purpose of being used in evidence before any court, board or any other legal tribunal, and only differ from the returns of the supervisor in that they lack the manual transmission by that officer, whose functions are only ministerial in this regard.

4. Because if the failure of the supervisor of registration to make his statement to the board prevents the board from examining the original duplicate returns and certified copies thereof, then the entire result of an election depends, not on the vote of the people legally cast, but on the unrestrained will of the supervisor.

5. Because the supervisor of registration, being an appointee of the executive, would hold in his hands the result of an election, thereby giving to the executive complete absolute control of the entire vote of the State, opening the door to fraud in favor of the political party to which the executive may happen to belong.

OSCAR ARROYO.

At the request of Mr. Solving, the board consented to take up and consider to-day the protest made against the returns from the parish of Iberia.

By request of counsel, the board also consented to take up to-day the contests made against the returns of Carroll and Terrebonne parishes.

The returns of the following parishes are subject to protest, and will have to undergo a trial and judgment of the board before they can be finally disposed of:

Ascension, Assumption, Carroll, Terrebonne, Avoyelles, Bienville, Bossier, Cadeo, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, Grant, Iberia, Jackson, Lafourche, Lincoln, Natchitoches, Rapides, Red River, Sabine, St. Helena, St. Martin, St. Tammany, Vernon, Webster, Winn.

Evidence is to be filed in case of each of these parishes, except Carroll and Terrebonne.

Democratic counsel expressed themselves ready to prove what had been said in regard to the returns from St. James parish and Mr. Bovee, if the presence of that individual could be had before the board. The board did not promise, so far as we know, to have Mr. Bovee brought before it, but there was a general feeling among members that if parties had been engaged in any conspiracy against the will of the people of St. James expressed through the ballot box, all should be visited with the heaviest penalties prescribed by law.

On motion the board adjourned until eleven o'clock this morning.

A Record of Humanity.

We are indebted to Hon. Louis A. Wiltz for a printed copy of the report of the receipts, disbursements and operations of the general relief committee of Louisiana, in aid of the sufferers by the overflow of 1874. This little pamphlet gives a list of the contributors to the relief fund, and the report of the committee that disbursed the same. It shows the gigantic labor voluntarily imposed upon and performed by Mr. Wiltz and his colleagues, and shows that they did their duty well. It is a record of deeds to be remembered, and it was a wise thought that put it in type, so that it can be available to the many.

IMPROVED REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION BY THE SHERIFF--We are requested to call attention to the sales at auction to be made to-day at noon, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, by the civil sheriff of the parish of Orleans. Said sales comprise:

1. A certain lot of ground, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the first district of this city, corner of Magazine and Iberville streets.

2. And three lots of ground, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the second district of this city, on Customhouse street, between Roman and Treize streets.

For full particulars and terms see advertisements.

The Temperature.

The thermometer at Louis Frigero's, No. 50 Chartres street, on December 11, stood as follows: At 8 A. M., 50; at 2 P. M., 64; at 6 P. M., 69. Lowest point during the night of December 10, 55.

The woman who can make a mince pie has a higher place in this world than one who can only play the piano.

BY TELEGRAPH.

CONGRESS.

House.

WASHINGTON, December 11--The day was spent in bill extending the patent of Edwin White for firearms, which was rejected.

A warrant has been issued for E. B. Irwin, agent of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, who is charged with a conspiracy in connection with the additional subsidy for the China mail, he having failed to appear before the Committee of Ways and Means, which is investigating that subject.

The House adjourned until Monday.

Senate.

No session to-day.

WASHINGTON.

The President will Suppress Violence if

WASHINGTON, December 11--In response to urgent requests that the President place troops in the Louisiana State House, he is thus quoted: "I will not provide against the danger, but if violence occurs, I will suppress it."

Draft of a New Civil Rights Bill.

At the meeting of the House Judiciary Committee this morning a sub-committee was appointed to draw another civil rights bill. It is understood that the bill will contain all the essential features of the Senate bill now on the House calendar, omitting therefrom the cemetery and school sections.

A Freighter Whose Time Has Come.

At the residence of Silver Springs today the remains of seventeen Confederate soldiers, killed in the attack on Washington, near Fort Sumner, July, 1864, Dr. A. F. Garnett, of this city, delivered a eulogy. He congratulated those present that the time had come when they could do justice to the memory of their friends, and perform such ceremonies unopposed, and declared that they should not perform the duty coldly and with subdued spirits. He alluded to the willingness of the South to take up arms to defend their homes from invasion, when a voice in the crowd said: "And we are still willing to do it, doctor." He alluded to the South as "our people," and Jefferson Davis as "our President."