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AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

EXTRA NIGHT.
Monday, May 10, 1875.
JOHN BARNETT, M. SHORT and J. F. PIKE,
Business Managers—Stage Manager,
GREAT HILL OF ATTRACTIONS.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13—AT 7:30—SOUTH AMERICAN CIRCUUS.

BIDWELL'S ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

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For a week only at reduced rates, commencing
Wednesday, May 12, 1875.
WALTER B. AYMAR'S SOUTH AMERICAN CIRCUUS
AND TROUPE OF MOUNTAIN HORSES,
DUGLAS AND MCKEYS,
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SEVEN TALENTED ARTISTS, AMERICANS AND
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The best Equestrian and Gymnastic in the
world. Saturdays and Wednesdays.

FOR RENT.

TO RENT—A HOUSE TO RENT.
LARGE AND PLEASANT FURNISHED ROOMS
in a well situated house, with bath room attached.
All the comforts of a home guaranteed. Apply at
No. 4 Liberty street, between Gasquet and Com-
modore.
MRS. E. N. JOHNSON.

FOR RENT—A DESIRABLE COTTAGE.

TO RENT—A DESIRABLE COTTAGE TO
rent, situated on the new levee, near
Lafayette and Franklin streets, No. 49, at \$12 per
month. Will rent for less to a prudent paying
tenant.
Apply to
MRS. E. N. JOHNSON.

ANY GENTLEMAN DESIRING A

PARADISE OF ISLANDS where there are 20
acres of land, with a beautiful neighborhood, in
the best portion of the city, with all the
amenities, will rent for less to a prudent paying
tenant.
Apply to
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BUSINESS CHANGES.

NOTICE.
Mr. W. P. PIPPEY has associated in business
with Mr. H. H. PIPPEY and Mr. J. P. PIPPEY,
and the firm of PIPPEY & LARA is
dissolved.
Respectfully,
HEATH & LARA.

Referring to the above, we beg to express to our
patrons our grateful appreciation of their past
patronage and respectfully solicit a continuance of the
same.
HEATH & LARA.

SUCCESSION NOTICES.

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A Good Day's Work at the Customhouse.

The following correspondence shows that
a good day's work was consummated in the
Customhouse yesterday—the contemplated
changes in the surveyor's office, the post-
office and the appraiser's department hav-
ing been effected without interfering with
the regular business of either of those
offices.
Colonel Parker arrived here about twelve
o'clock Sunday night, and yesterday morn-
ing proceeded to the Customhouse, and
addressed the following letter to Mr. Ring-
gold:

DEAR MR. RINGGOLD, SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
New Orleans, May 10, 1875.
SIR—I am very glad to see you, and I
trust to inform you that I have re-
ceived a commission from the President as
postmaster of this city, and that I am ready
to enter upon the duties of that office
whenever it is convenient for you to re-
turn to me in that capacity, say one o'clock
today.
In assuming the new position to which I
have been called, it is a measure to which I
trust your change has not been made, with-
out your knowledge and that it is in full ac-
cord with your views and wishes. To me the
matter was one of entire surprise, as well
as to my friends. Let us hope that our
country will be ever more united, and the
country be blessed.
I wish you every success in your new
calling and remain with sincere regards,
Yours most respectfully,
CHARLES W. RINGGOLD, Postmaster.

Mr. Ringgold made the following re-
sponse to the above:

DEAR MR. PARKER, SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
New Orleans, May 10, 1875.
SIR—Respectfully referring to your letter
of the 10th inst., relative to assuming
charge of the post office, I would respectfully
state that I shall be more than pleased to
turn over the office at any time which best
suits your convenience.
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
C. W. RINGGOLD.

Colonel Parker also addressed the follow-
ing letter to Hon. J. Madison Wells, the
newly appointed surveyor:

DEAR MR. WELLS, SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,
New Orleans, May 10, 1875.
SIR—I now hold you as surveyor of the
port of New Orleans, and regret that my
official duties do not permit me to call on
you, so that you have not been able to
enter upon your duties earlier. In sur-
rendering to you the trust, which I have
had for more than two years past, I have
but one regret, and that is, that I cannot
say a word to you with regard to the present
employees of the surveyor's office, and I am
sure that my remarks will equally well
apply to you and to the country.
Mr. Maguire, special deputy to the surveyor,
goes with him to his new sphere of
action, and of him I need not speak. It is
sufficient to say to you that he is a
man of ability and energy, and I shall
not make a single exception. They are
loyal, faithful, competent, and well fitted
for the several positions they fill. None but
men of high character and high ability
and the funds distributed in accordance therewith.
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Chamber of Commerce.

A special meeting of the Chamber of
Commerce was held last evening, about
sixty persons being present.

Mr. J. M. Sandidge, chairman of the com-
mittee on organization, called the meeting
to order, and stating the committee were
ready to report, suggested a temporary
chairman and secretary should be elected.
Mr. Emory Clapp was therefore elected
chairman and Colonel William M. Barwell,
chosen secretary.

On the calling of the roll twenty-seven
members answered to their names.
Mr. Sandidge offered a resolution, which
was adopted, which accepted the charter as
read and published in the REPUBLICAN.

Colonel Barwell stated the Chamber only
owed a small amount of money, more than
balanced by dues outstanding.

Mr. Sandidge moved that before proceed-
ing those present who had been invited to
become members be elected. He presented
the following names, which were added to
the list of members:

W. B. Clarke, John F. Wylie, M. W.
Jores, Joseph A. Aiken, W. G. Thomey, L.
H. Gardner, R. H. Marr, G. L. Hall, W. C.
Raymond, George L. Kouns, Forrester Dol-
beare, Sam. Mullen, N. T. N. Robinson
and R. S. Ricker.

On Mr. Sandidge's motion the rules of
the Chamber previously in force were tem-
porarily adopted.

The Chair then proceeded to elect a
president, two vice-presidents and a secre-
tary and treasurer.

Mr. Bayley nominated Colonel J. M. San-
didge for president.

Colonel Sandidge stated he was unable to
accept the position, and declining, begged
to nominate General Cyrus Busey.

General Beauregard, seconded the mo-
tion, and General Busey was elected unani-
mously.

Mr. Busey, on taking the chair, said it
was but a few months since he had assisted
in the election of the more worthy gentle-
man whose death caused him to receive the
present compliment. He was surprised at
the unanimity that placed him in the posi-
tion he had not sought. He would en-
deavor to do his duty, and believed in the
power of the Chamber of Commerce to be-
come an honor to New Orleans. He had
hope in the prosperity of New Orleans, and
wished there was a law to punish those
who had none. There was a magnifi-
cent future before her. Croakers said the
Chamber had failed, but no great
proposition had suggested that the Cham-
ber had not advocated. The Chamber ought
to have 500 members. It was
the only body that admitted all the
people. Its agitation of the question now
promised to open the month of the Missis-
sippi. By united effort it could secure an
appropriation from Congress for the levees
and a railroad to Texas. In fifteen years
the Chamber would see New Orleans have
a commerce with the East through the
Isthmus of Panama.

Mr. Seixas nominated W. C. Raymond
for first vice president, but he declined,
saying he was already overburdened with
responsibility, but would wish the Chamber
good speed, and do his duty as a member.

Mr. Seixas insisted on his nomination,
trusting Mr. Raymond, representing the
second interest of New Orleans, after cot-
ton, would not refuse to serve, and the
Chamber unanimously elected him.

On Mr. Seixas' motion, Mr. Joseph H.
Bowling was declared the second vice pres-
ident.

Colonel William M. Barwell was then, on
motion of Mr. Joseph, declared re-elected
as secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Sandidge, from the committee on
rules, reported certain changes, the most
important being a reduction in the salary of
the secretary and treasurer to ten dollars,
and the addition of a rule prohibiting any
introduction of political questions.

The rules and by-laws were adopted as
amended.

The regular committee made up at the
meeting in January were continued except
where vacancies had occurred.

Mr. Barlett called up the report of the
railroad committee on the project of form-
ing a company to build a railroad to Texas.
The charter had not become a law, the
Senate not having had time to pass it. The
adoption of a notarial charter and pur-
chase of franchises were recommended.

Mr. Barlett stated Mr. W. C. Black had
disagreed with the majority, thinking the
time had not come yet.

Mr. Bayley stated the plan was to form a
board of directors, seven from the New
Orleans Company and four from the road,
to remain in charge two years from next
March; that the property sold should be
\$2,000,000, expecting New Orleans to give
\$1,500,000, and to ask from the State the
release of the judgment for the return of
its subsidy. He stated also that Mr. Morgan,
so soon as he recovered the property in
his road that had been sold, would com-
plete it, and perhaps the twenty-two miles
graded to Vermilionville; that he would
subscribe to stock and contract pro rata
with the New Orleans company, and would
work in common with it.

Mr. Barlett stated that the committee
had merely suggested the opportunity by a
determined effort to form a company by
the people of New Orleans to secure the
railroad to Texas.

Mr. Busey stated that he believed all
these routes would be built in ten years.
He considered the proposition to raise a
million dollars, take the Western road at
\$2,000,000 on the conditions offered the
best that could be done. It was only
necessary to go before the people with a
tangible proposition.

Mr. Putnam offered the following:
Resolved, That a standing committee of
five be appointed, charged with the duty
of inquiring into such modifications of the
quarantine system and laws as may be
practicable, by legislation or otherwise,
and that the committee confer upon this
subject with the Board of Health.

Messrs. Barwell and Bayley stated the
Board of Health was desirous of having
such a quarantine as would help commerce,
but the law was imperative.

The resolution was adopted, and Messrs.
Putnam, Copes, Bayley, A. Thompson and
A. K. Miller appointed as the committee.
President Busey said Captain Eads would
arrive in the city to-day, and would be met
by delegates from various bodies at the St.
Charles Hotel this evening at half-past
seven o'clock, to tender him the hospital-

News from the Interior.

From the Opelousas Journal of the
evening:

The death of Miss Hollier is peculiarly
sad. It is thought that she was bitten near
the mouth by a spider or fly a few days
before her death. No one considered it
serious until her sudden demise caused a phy-
sician to be sent for, when it was too late.
The case is said to be one of genuine
cholera.

There was a ball at Mr. Edward Higgin-
botham's in Coulee Croche, last Saturday
night. As usual, six-shooters were part
of the male guests' toilet. They were depos-
ed on the bed, while the owners were danc-
ing. Mrs. Higginbotham's child went to
sleep, and in removing the pistole, to lay it
on the bed, one of them dropped from its
holder, and on striking the floor, Fred,
Loring's man, Higginbotham, in the night.
The wound is not considered dangerous;
but when last heard from the efforts of
the surgeon to extract the ball had failed.

The man who was lynched, as reported in
this paper last week, after carrying a day
or two, was taken down and buried. Our
enterprising coroner took a physician with
him, went out there and had the corpse
examined, a post mortem examination had
an inquest held by a jury of the neigh-
borhood. The verdict was that the deceased
came to his death by the hands of persons
unknown. Well, the coroner's bill for the
inquest went up to the police jury this week
to be paid, but that honorable body couldn't
see it, and now Jake is not happy. He says
he had no money to pay for the inquest, and
he'd like to see the coroner's bill paid for
himself. Some of Jake's friends
tell him that the law in his bill is that the
found a rope around the neck they stopped
right there and did not disinter the body.
Others of them told him that the law is
that the coroner's bill is not payable until
reporting that the hanging was done by
persons unknown; that the police jury
went criminals long out, and that if they
were criminals charged with the murder
of persons in a long-out case like this,
there is no use in having such inquests—
in other words, that the coroner's pay must
be measured by his success. We suggest a
correction.

On Tuesday last week Mr. Joseph
Roy, son of David Roy, a resident of Mer-
mentau, in this parish, was shot and mor-
tally wounded on the levee of the ocean,
not far from Mr. W. G. Welch's, in the
parish of Calcasieu. Mr. Roy is a well
known contractor. He had had Sharkey em-
ployed to carry the mail. By some negligence
of the mail man was not carried according
to law, and his employer, Roy, suffered a
deduction or forfeiture of pay by the gov-
ernment. He discharged Sharkey, owing
him the balance of \$20, which he declined to
pay on account of the loss which Sharkey
had caused him. On Monday, Mr. Roy
and Sharkey met at the levee, and
Welch's on the day above mentioned, and
Welch's on the day above mentioned, the
balance of \$20, which he declined to pay.
Roy started home, and Sharkey loaded
a double-barreled gun with buckshot
and followed him. On coming up
to the levee, he told him if he did not
pay the \$20 he intended to kill him.
Roy gave him \$2, and Sharkey asked for
the remaining \$18. Roy assured him that
he would pay it, and Sharkey began raising
his hand to strike him. Roy made a false
step, and Sharkey put a load of buckshot in
the small of his back. Parties from Welch's
followed and found him, but his murderer
escaped. It is thought that the man who
did not die, but has no hopes are entertained
of his recovery.

Since writing the above, Sheriff Dixon
has been notified from a brother of
Mr. Roy. When Sharkey drove the mail
he got drunk and let the horses run away
with the stage; the mail bag was lost, and
reported to the department. For this
Roy's contractor forfeited his mail pay,
and he refused, therefore, to pay
Sharkey the balance of \$20. The day he
was shot he had been to Welch's, one of
the levees, and was not carrying the mail.
He was shot in the back with five buckshot,
but was still alive when the letter above
mentioned was written. Roy's brother
collected a reward of \$200, which the citizens
of that section offered an additional one of
the same sum.

From the Donaldsonville Chief of the
10th:

A quarrel took place on the Adelard
Landry plantation, in this parish, last
evening, between a Frenchman and an
American named Joseph Melancon and Joseph
Jean Baptiste, which resulted in the fatal
wounding of the latter. Melancon was ar-
rested and taken to the parish jail. The
case was examined by Parish Judge Har-
lan last Wednesday. The facts elicited by
the testimony of witnesses are substantially as
follows: Melancon originated at an open
bar, about some trivial personal matter,
ceased some Melancon with an open
knife, and as the latter retreated, Melancon
continued to advance upon him threatening
him, and Melancon, in a moment of anger,
which lay in his path, and as his antagonist
rushed toward, struck him on the head
with the weapon, causing a fracture of the
skull, from which a portion of the brains
escaped. Baptiste, a Frenchman, and
then died of his injury. The nature
of the evidence proving conclusively
that Melancon had acted in self-defense.
The judge ordered his discharge from
custody.

From the Sacramento Times of the eighth:

The northeast corner of Caddo parish,
known as the "Black Bayou country," has
for some time past enjoyed a very un-
pleasant notoriety for acts of violence and
murder by lawless desperadoes, who, being
favored by the isolated location and many
facilities for hiding, have baffled all efforts
to arrest them. From gentlemen just down
from the local market, we learn that some
weeks ago a party of men (said to be from
Texas) captured a man named Martin,
living near