

THE FIREMEN'S DAY

One Less than Forty

The regular fire department of New Orleans yesterday celebrated its thirty-ninth anniversary, and celebrated it in style, with something of the old real. Not a single company failed to respond, and every company had a full representation of members in uniform. It would be natural to suppose that the fourth of March following so closely on the heels of Mardi Gras, the interest in an outdoor display would be light, yet the streets were almost as densely thronged as on Shrove Tuesday. It was essentially a fireman's day, consequently the weather was superb, and not a single fire alarm sounded. From an early morning hour until late last night all was given over to the fire department. Old age and youth made devotions to fire fighters, and for the time this branch of civil service ruled quite supreme.

The first column was led by the grand marshal, that old time stand-by, Mr. I. N. Marks, who was flanked by many handsome aids, all finely mounted and uniquely attired.

First in the line was old Volunteer No. 1, healthy looking men all, with red shirts of good style. On the bright steamer was a streamer, "The mother company," and nobody will dispute the honor.

St. Bernard No. 1, located near the slaughterhouse, made its second appearance since its formation, and looked well, its engine all in a glitter.

Pelican No. 1, of Algiers, kept up its reputation. Brooklyn No. 2, of Algiers, was out in force, headed by Colonel Loan as marshal. The steamer bore a magnificent set of gilded deer horns, and all pertaining to the company looked as if made to last longer than a parade day.

After Brooklyn No. 2 had traveled over the route Colonel Loan, the marshal, marched them up to his office, near where he had arranged with Colonel P. Barron to prepare a hearty lunch. The Algerians enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. Some inquisitive members expressed a desire to see the first precinct prison cells, and they saw them too well, as a joke was played on them. They were rushed in and locked up, charged with all the crimes in the calendar. Released were eventually obtained, and our friends from over the river were glad when released.

Washington Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, also of Algiers, will compare favorably with any of its city peers. Milneburg No. 1, with a hand engine, looked as solid as in years past.

Lafayette No. 1, Jackson street, made a splendid appearance, its patent truck attracting considerable attention, while the members bore themselves proudly.

This division was under the supervision of Assistant Engineer M. Kay. The second division was looked after by Assistant Engineer Frank Herron, in front of which marched Chief Engineer O'Connor and his assistants, Messrs. F. Horron, M. Kay, F. Scheiber and F. Schneider.

Mississippi No. 2, the second division, headed by a brass band, and appeared with its new Ameskeeg engine handsomely decorated with gold and silver plating and valuable prizes which have been won by the company. This company turned out about forty-five men, who showed off well in their handsome uniforms of black pantaloons and white shirts trimmed with black velvet. They had a representative of Alabama No. 2, of Montgomery, Alabama, as their guest. The smokestack of the engine bore the champion horse, supported by a rich satin cushion with a border of gold fringe. A blue ribbon appeared between the horns bearing the words, "Home again." The auction brackets were ornamented with white satin cushions. On the seat was a fine display of silverware and the figure of an eagle. The engine was dressed in second mourning for some of the members of the company who died during the past six months. They had in the rope their pet horse, "Our Baby," who seemed proud, with his rich white satin saddle with gilt horns and silver cord bridle. The company's officers are: F. Camerden, president; Toby Hart, vice president; J. Berogrey, recording secretary; J. Mat, Jr., financial secretary; C. Taylor Gauche, treasurer; Maurice J. Hart, foreman; O. M. White, first assistant; Charles E. Kennedy, second assistant; William Fagan and James Mudd, marshals.

Vigilant No. 3 made a good showing, outwardly, which was only expected. The members turned out strong.

American Hook and Ladder No. 2 was as bright and cheerful as the day itself. A statue of Justice was mounted on the upper ladder, and set off the handsome home-made truck to great advantage. About fifty men were on the ropes, and inside was the fast horse, C. H. Stoomb. Marshals, W. J. Armstrong and C. D. Lallande. One of the old members, Mr. T. Heatherton, now active president, wore the blue.

Columbia No. 5, a company that seldom makes any display, was out in force, having most of its silverware on the steamer. Its splendid dapple gray horse, Phil, felt as proud as could be Marshals, J. Oile and J. W. Donnellan.

Then followed Louisiana Hose, a company without a number, as it needs none, being good enough to rank A. Its machine was tastefully decorated and shone like a polished mirror, and the men were dressed as neat as new pins. Marshals, A. H. Isaacson and C. C. Fletcher. Joseph Fink, foreman of Germania No. 2, of Shreveport, and Joseph Cottreux, foreman of Hook and Ladder No. 1, of Denison, Texas, were guests of Louisiana Hose.

Big Six followed, and, of course, attracted the eyes of all, as its steamer was a glittering mass of burnished silverware. In the smokestack was a fluted column, on top being a royal crown resting on a downy cushion. Above all was a large sized mechanical arm, the hand holding a gilded hammer. The members marched in excellent time and appeared to relish the display. Marshals, George L. Norton and Leon Lamotte.

As soon as the parade was over No. 5 adjourned to the St. Charles Hotel, where one of the finest dinners was laid; it looked so fine that the boys were almost unwilling

to touch it, but good appetites prevailed, and then there was havoc.

Eagle No. 7 kept up its well earned reputation, making as fine a display as any. All that pertains to a fire company belongs to the Eagles. The fast record of "Dusty Bob" was shown—3:56.

Phoenix No. 8, first in the third division, was all that could be wished, as is always the case. The steamer was very decorated with silver trophies earned by virtue of merit.

Hope Hook and Ladder No. 3 turned out grandly, its truck and apparatus as good as new. The ladders were painted white and frosted. Flowers were artistically arranged from end to end. Previous to joining the lines the company accepted an invitation from Mr. J. Foster to partake of refreshments at his house. Mr. A. P. Kip presented a wreath, and Mr. Norton presented a flag, which were received by Mr. N. A. Lambias. This company had several members of Mobile's Torrent No. 5 as guests.

Mr. T. Handy was the marshal, riding at the head of Croole No. 9, and all looked as fine as possible. The steamer Lady Wittz shone like the sun, relieved by gay flowers. The men, all active firemen, are worthy of their company.

Louisiana No. 10, Good Will, made its mark, eliciting applause for the excellent arrangement of the steamer's ornaments. Looser, one of the oldest horses in the department, still lives.

Irish Ferry No. 12 never fails to make a splendid parade appearance, therefore many eyes were turned toward her as that number was announced along the line. Nearly all the company's silverware was placed where it would do the most good, and was fairly dazzling. From the stack projected a slight rod, on which was perched a liberty cap of blue satin. The engine was drawn by six large gray horses. Mrs. Luckett presented a bronze clock and elegant vases. Marshals, John Baker and J. J. Sullivan.

Perseverance No. 13, who wear the motto "Rough and Ready," has lost none of its former perseverance and excellent taste in arranging the ornaments for its steamer. The men marched like veterans, which statement it is unnecessary to make. In the smokestack was a pillar, covered with velvet, and on top was a large crown, which looked really royal. Projecting portions of the machinery were covered with white satin, and in a wreath presented by Mrs. J. H. Rhodens was a picture of Eva Marks. The decorations were superintended by Mrs. T. Heatherton. Mr. A. Boyle was the gallant marshal.

Philadelphia No. 14, headed by Mr. M. Finney as marshal, retains its reputation, and can not be badly beaten at anything it undertakes. Its silver hose carriage, Lola McCabe, the finest ever in this department, showed off handsomely, and was well matched by the steamer Lizzie Egan. The men stepped off lightly, all neatly uniformed. Most of the company's prizes were on the steamer, shining like mirrors. The decorations were attended to by Miss. Houston and Lynch. After the parade the happy marshal guided his company to Finney's Hall, where he had prepared a bountiful repast.

Jackson No. 18 appeared in their usual uniform of black pants and red shirts, with seventy-five men on the ropes. Their beautiful engine, "Little Giant," was handsomely fitted with flowers and ribbons. A liberty cap of red, white and blue was mounted on the smokestack, and small crests of the auction brackets and streamers, with the company's motto, "To Rescure." Previous to the company's marching down to Canal street, they were presented with two handsome large wreaths by Mrs. Siders, on Camp street. They had on a fine silk American flag presented to them last year by Miss Norton, daughter of E. E. Norton, Esq., which they were unable to show at last year's parade, on account of the weather. Their pet horse on "Crazy," who has served fourteen years on the company, appeared in the rope as white lively as ever, decked with a white ribbon and burnished horns.

The pelican was the principal ornament. The drapery was of rich blue, just sufficient to set off everything tastefully. One of the flags in front was presented by Mrs. Roussel. Marshals, Stephen McNeil and Peter McIntyre.

Washington No. 20 appeared in their neat uniform of black pants and red shirts, turning out sixty-five men. Their beautiful steamer "Fannie Marks" was ornamented with a bust of Washington on a cushion of white satin, with gold fringe, and the picture of its godmother, Miss Fannie Marks, daughter of her ex-president Mr. Washington Marks. It was surrounded by a wreath of flowers, the present of Mrs. Tapkins. In the smokestack was a pair of horns, to which was attached a blue ribbon bearing the company's motto "Onward." On the side streamers were the inscriptions, "Washington No. 20" and "Welcome Protector No. 2."

The company turned out their bay horses "Tom Nugent" and "Underwriter," and their old time pet, favorite and exempt horse "Little Mike" appeared as usual in his position. Protector No. 2 turned out as the guests of No. 20. The officers of No. 20 are as follows: Theodore H. Brodie, president; B. Firnberg, vice president; J. H. Henriquez, recording secretary; Charles Bonck, financial secretary; A. J. Desmond, foreman; John White, first assistant; William Berhens, second assistant; J. Fry, engineer; John J. Culligan, housekeeper; P. Tape and Emilie Hahn, marshals. After the parade the company entertained their guests at the engine house on Thalia street.

Orleans No. 21 is still in the ring and yesterday bore herself as of old, having fifty-seven men on the ropes. This company, as a whole, was greatly admired.

Jefferson No. 22 made a grand display in every respect, having an almost countless

number of men on the ropes, and the engine was profusely ornamented with flowers. The Jeffersons deserve credit for their display. Marshals, F. W. Schmidt, John Fry, Dr. Malnegra and L. Franz. Chalmette No. 23, a favorite up town company, was not behind its former efforts. A large basket contained specimens of Fourth District flowers.

Creosote No. 24 was the last but not least in any respect. She still flaunts the motto of "Champion of the United States," though this is disputed by Mississippi No. 2. All the trimmings and ornaments were exceedingly pretty, evidently arranged by artistic hands. Marshals—P. Levy and John Grace.

The Health of New Orleans. At all times the condition of New Orleans as an attractive and healthy resort has been misrepresented in Northern cities. Occasionally there has been an epidemic of fear and sudden and absolute extinction of all unaccustomed strangers who might desire to visit it. Yellow fever is a horrid bugbear, and small-pox supposed to be far more dangerous than at Lowell or New York.

The fact is that, in general, the disease that stands at the head of the mortality list is that scourge of New England, consumption. Nearly all who come here for relief from that come too late for permanent relief, but they pass many more days on earth here than they would if they had remained at home. Many others who come with the seeds of disease, but in time reap the advantages of the climate, live on to a green old age.

At this time and in the autumn New Orleans may be said to be entirely free from disease, the sanitary reports containing so few cases that they may be called exceptions to the general rule. Now it is peculiarly attractive to tourists. Though not so extensive or lucrative as in years gone by, business is at its best. All places of amusement are open. Excursions to the lake, to the gulf ports, on the river, to the passes, and the picnics, one of the most attractive of Crescent City attractions are at hand. The warm, clear, but invigorating breezes, give health to the invalid and enliven the robust.

The summer comes late, and there is an unhealthy season it is not dangerous to those who exercise proper care. Epidemics of any kind are not likely to occur again. Yellow fever has ceased to be feared any more than any other. Besides, in the summer, though many take that time for relief from business, the city is a year in the more refined pleasures than at any other season. It will soon come to be known that even in that dreaded season this city is healthier than any other of the Union of 200,000 inhabitants. Its hotels present more attractive and homelike accommodations than those of Northern cities, and its lodging and boarding houses, in French flats or in American style, are unique in their excellence, and the restaurants unequalled.

The lines of travel by river and rail are superior. The steamboats are well known as luxurious dwelling houses. The Mobile line, the great through route via Louisville, at present represented by Mr. Norman C. Jones as general agent, has the best laid and easiest riding track in the United States, and runs through Pullman palace cars from all points.

The Atlantic and Great Western Railroad Company and the Erie railway have secured the services of Mr. M. B. Ross as general passenger agent at New Orleans. Mr. Ross is familiar with all the ways of this city, whether those of the transient residents, the traveling public or of old citizens whose lives have been principally spent here. Some years before the war Mr. Ross was a successful merchant here, but removed his business to New York. Old residents well remember him, and will be glad to meet him in this line of business.

Captain George H. Grace, general manager of the Southern and Atlantic Telegraph Company, arrived in the city yesterday. He did not divulge his business, but it is fair to presume that he has in contemplation such extension of his lines and improvement of facilities as the public are interested in.

Mr. H. W. Grans, one of the most popular of the commercial travelers who visit the South, is in our city. Mr. Grans represents the extensive house of Reid & Barton, whose silver-plated ware is celebrated all over the country; and of the Bradley & Hubbard Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of bronze lamps, chandeliers and gas fixtures; Bliss & Deane, manufacturers of chains and bracelets; Waterbury Clock Company; J. Fradley's canes and Hendryx & Bartholomew's bird cages. During his stay Mr. Grans will make his headquarters at Messrs. Navra & O'neer's.

WORTHY OF ATTENTION—The display of hardware, tools, etc., made by Messrs. J. S. Atkins & Son, Nos. 236 and 242 Tchoupitoulas street, near St. Mary Market, is one of the most deserving at the Exposition. In a space near the stairway in the Art Hall, neatly arranged, they have samples of bolts, nuts, wood screws, cotton tie shears and rivets, cast steel, iron, brass and galvanized wire, rope, cloth, machinists' moulders, carpenters' and pattern makers' tools, supplies for foundries, cotton presses, etc.; brass and galvanized hardware, crucibles, lace leather packing, sheet brass and German silver, and edge tools. This house, established in 1840, is one of the most reliable, prompt and popular hardware firms in the South. Long experience enables them to furnish all that our people need, and as their goods are purchased for cash, and of the best manufacturers, they are prepared to sell the best at articles at the most reasonable prices. They have been awarded the highest premiums at the present exhibition on all the goods they entered for competition, viz: on bolts, nuts, wood screws, cotton tie shears, cast steel, edge tools, machinists' tools, brass and galvanized hardware. Visitors now in the city should not go away without calling at this house, where they are sure to be courteously received, and get the full value of their money.

FLORIDA—This recent discovery from the cotton plant is a certain specific for all diseases, peculiar to females, and cures neuralgia and all nervous affections. Circulars at M. B. Morrison & Co. For sale by Frederickson & Harris.

(For the Sunday Republican.) AVE MARIA.

It is the hour when pitying stars Look through the veil of night, And, as we gaze, our souls are filled With their soft, holy light. Amid them all one beaming star Was sweetly, mildly cast A ray into our saddened souls As we recall the past.

Post with all its sternal grief, Its care, its woe and strife— (And oh! the bitter pang of all, That of a wasted life)— Come or us in a tide of thought, Through which hope now clinging fast To thee, Maria, as we pray Could we recall the past.

Ave Maria, hear thy prayer, As we now pray to thee, To pray for us, and be our star Upon life's troubled sea; And the waves of bitter grief, And in that hour, the last, When earth is fading from our view, Be thou our shield at last.

Southern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition. To-morrow being the last day of this enterprise, which it is gratifying to note has proved a success, it is desirable that every one should have an opportunity of attending. In accordance with this idea, the commissioners have urged that there be a general closing of the stores for at least half the day. In this they have been joined by the Mayor who, in a proclamation, makes a request of the same tenor. Both are given below:

To the People of New Orleans: The board of commissioners of the Southern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition appeal to the people in behalf of an enterprise which contributes so greatly to the commercial and general interests of New Orleans, and urge that on the closing day, Monday, March 6, all places of business be closed from 12 M. to 6 P. M. in order that all citizens may have an opportunity to visit the exposition.

ALBERT BALDWIN, WILLIAM E. SCHMIDT, JAMES I. DAY, JOHN G. FLEMING, JAMES D. HILL, Commissioners.

PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR. MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, March 5, 1876. Whereas, The Southern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition now in progress will close on Monday, March 6; and

Whereas, It is desirable that a full opportunity be accorded to all citizens to visit the exposition, and thereby encourage an important public enterprise;

Therefore, at the suggestion of the board of commissioners, I hereby request all the merchants, manufacturers and others, to close their places of business on Monday, the sixth instant, from 12 M. to 6 P. M., in order that their employes may be permitted to attend the exposition.

CHARLES J. LEEDS, Mayor.

Amusements. The influx of strangers brought an unusual harvest to the theatres during the past week, and the matinees more than made up for the loss of Mardi Gras night, which was given up to balls.

The Varieties Theatre worked "Sam" during the entire week. On Monday evening Mr. Chanfrau will produce his greatest success, the drama of "Kit." He has made of the hero of this piece a clear cut and original character, a vivid portraiture of an Arkansas traveler. The drama is a long way from the fashionable society plays, and will be a new departure for the Varieties stage; but it is full of action, will receive a strong cast and good stage setting, and prove attractive.

At the Academy of Music to-night Mr. Frank Mayo and company will appear in "Davy Crockett," a drama which has never been acted here.

At the St. Charles Theatre to-night the wrestling athletes, Jules Rigal and Emilie Regnier, will engage in a wrestling contest. They are men of muscle, and will draw the lovers of athletic sports. On Monday night Jennie, Minnie and Maud Wallace, a dramatic trio of fascinating young ladies, with a full supporting company, will appear in John Brougham's drama called "Minnie's Luck." The Wallace Sisters will play one week.

Captain Paul Boyton will give three exhibitions on the water of Lake Pontchartrain to-day, commencing at noon. Captain Boyton was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania. He came to this city with his father when a boy, and lived some years here. Since then he became a rover, enduring the hardships of a sailor and following the fortunes of a soldier in several European wars. Few young men have seen more of the world, receiving his hard blows and favors. In exhibiting his life-preserving suits and performing aquatic feats of endurance, his fame has become world-wide. Yet he remains at all times a modest American gentleman, and wins friends wherever he goes. Other attractions here have kept many from witnessing his exhibitions, and they will embrace the opportunities offered to-day. There is something more than amusement in his swimming contrivances. He suggests a means of saving life from the cruel and swallowing waters, and all who go down to the sea in ships should see his appliances and work. At the exhibition to-day Colonel R. M. Montgomery has promised to don a life suit and test its use. Water will be a new element to the colonel, except as he has become acquainted with it by ordinary ablutions, but Captain Boyton will give him such an intro-duck-shun as he will be likely to remember.

Fish, Lewis & Co. This firm, composed individually of William Fish, John A. Lewis, James A. Girder, L. A. Saxon and F. R. Matthews, and doing a wholesale grocery business at No. 44 Gravier street, publishes a card to the public, which appears in another column. They confess themselves charged with irregularities in keeping the wholesale liquor dealer's books prescribed by the internal revenue department, though liquor dealing is but a small item in their regular business. They do not plea to forestall judgment of the court that many consider the case at some future time, but to inform the public that the wholesale grocery business is still carried on by them at the old stand, and that the hot breath of the whisky steam is not likely to sweep the firm out of existence.

Twenty thousand handsome Chinese tea canisters will be given away free this week at the tea depot, No. 5 Camp street.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

THE MILLER OF SLOOTT MILL. A novel. By Mary Dorrington Desoude. This is a true novel, dealing in character and mystery, and displaying talent of a high order. The plot is rather involved, but so well worked out that even an experienced reader of romances would hardly be prepared for the collocation. The character of Lydia Croft, the heroine, is admirably developed; that of the hero, "The gentleman miller," is noble and interesting, but less individualized. Mrs. Cairn, however, is a gem; strong yet sweet, self-reliant, hopeful, patient, she is the true heroine of the book. In the development of the plot are introduced an artful widow, the same with whom our readers are so familiar in real life and in fiction, a villain, of course; a selfish, elegant, beautiful society, a domestic tyrant, all savvies in life; all brutality in his family; a weak, down-trodden wife; a strong independent, high-minded girl—in short a multiplicity of marked characters, besides other misty and dim who have yet important parts to perform. In point of humor, the description of the Meggs family and their house-keeping is almost equal to anything in Dickens; Meranda Jane, with her spunk, her shrewdness, her affection for her family and her oppressive consciousness of red unstaked legs, being a bright particular star in the comic way, besides having a most important part to play in the unmaking of villainy.

The notion that "blood will tell," in other words, that hereditary tendency will assert itself in spite of adverse circumstances, is a prominent feature in the unfolding of the two leading characters. The whole tone of the book is high and pure, and it does not contain a line which might not be read aloud at the family fireside, where, indeed, it would be listened to with eagerness and delight.

American Union Club. The organization, composed entirely of citizens of the State of Louisiana, who served their country in the army and navy during the war, in fact, the only political organization made up of such material in the State, at its last meeting adopted the following resolutions. It will be remembered that at a former meeting of the club a resolution was adopted declaring as its choice, for the Republican candidate for President, Hon. Oliver P. Morton, of Indiana:

Resolved, That the American Union Club hereby reasserts its faith in and adherence to the great principles of the national Republican party, and will earnestly support that organization in all its efforts to secure the future liberty, full citizenship and the means of acquiring education to the whole people.

Resolved, That believing the objects of government to be to attain the ends stated in the foregoing resolution, that the machinery must be brought about with the least possible expense to the public, and all sums of money taken from the people, more than is necessary to achieve the objects of good government, is oppression and robbery.

Resolved, That being dissatisfied with the management of the Republican party for the several years past, and of the government under its control in the State of Louisiana, we announce our purpose to sustain the party locally in future only upon conditions that its nominations are fairly made; that its nominees are men of recognized capacity and integrity, and that it shall be pledged to a vigorous execution of the laws for the suppression of crime; that the machinery of government shall be simplified and made vastly less expensive, and that no taxation shall be imposed beyond what is absolutely required for a government administered upon principles of the most rigid economy.

Resolved, That the members of this club desire peace and order throughout the State, and the utmost harmony of feeling among all classes and races of people, to the end that emigrants and capital may be attracted hither, and that the social and material condition of the people may be as good as that of any other section of the United States.

Resolved, That we desire to forget war and its animosities, and see developed among the people an intense love of the whole country, and a sentiment of independent political action, which can alone secure good government to a people.

T. S. JOHNSON, President. T. W. EXTON, Secretary.

Fire in St. Joseph. The steamboat that descended the Mississippi river from Vicksburg yesterday morning saw a great fire in the town of St. Joseph, in Texas parish, at about four o'clock. Dispatches from there to Messrs. John Jannet & Co. and Messrs. Meyer, Weil & Co., stated that a large portion of the town was burned. A later dispatch, to E. H. Farrar, Esq., from Fayette, Mississippi, says that all the buildings north of Beaumont's, including Gilbert's Hotel, on the levee, are burned. Beaumont's is saved.

The property thus destroyed consists chiefly in one small butcher's shop, one large store for general merchandise, a small grocery, a confectioner's store and a boarding house. The fire extended from nearly the centre of the town, but the majority of the dwellings and principal stores are south of it.

Court Items. There was no business done in any of the courts yesterday, less even than usual on Saturday, because of the parade, and the gates were locked at one o'clock.

The report that the grand jury of the United States had found an indictment against E. E. Norton has no foundation. Nothing has been announced of any action of that body on Friday, and yesterday they were dismissed by the court without retiring to their room.

No necessity to suffer from a coming fever. Kernine will certainly avert it in twenty-four hours if taken at the commencement. This guaranteed. For sale by Vogel & Tams, No. 9 Camp street. M. B. Morrison & Co., general agents.

PERSONAL—Mrs. S. Liberman, of No. 200 Canal street, left for New York yesterday, where she will secure a choice and elegant stock of goods, wherewith to please her numerous patrons and friends.

The sale of Italian marbles, vases, columns, brackets, etc., at George Pearson's auction rooms, will be continued to-morrow at 11 A. M., when the whole of the fine stock will be disposed of without limit.

Professor A. T. Selover, the expert card writer, is on hand with information to those who want visiting cards.

THE EXPOSITION.

"Firemen's Day" interfered very much with the attendance on the Fair Grounds in the morning, but by the time the races were called the grand stand was filled with visitors, a large proportion of whom were ladies and children.

Of No. 240 Canal street, makes a handsome display for housekeepers, being samples of the crystal glass, manufactured by the Manhattan Manufacturing Company. It is an admirable article for cleaning painted wood work, walls, oil cloth, window glass, mirrors, marble, brass, tin and other articles.

THE ELGIN NATIONAL WATCH COMPANY Exhibit a large collection of the watches of their manufacture, the fine movements and elegant finish of which deserve the praise bestowed upon them. The collection is under the courteous management of Mr. W. H. Cloudman.

EDWARD L. HALL. No. 81 Tchoupitoulas street, makes an attractive display for housekeepers, being samples of the crystal glass, manufactured by the Manhattan Manufacturing Company. It is an admirable article for cleaning painted wood work, walls, oil cloth, window glass, mirrors, marble, brass, tin and other articles.

Is a very ingenious article, invented by J. L. Van Horn, editor of the Texas Advertiser and Bee Journal, of Corsicana, Texas, which will prove of great advantage to those who raise honey for market, as that article, by its use, can be shipped in clear and beautiful shape. Mr. Van Horn is a son of our esteemed fellow-citizen, T. D. Van Horn, Esq., cashier of the Metropolitan Bank.

L. C. ARMY'S BOTTLING HOUSE, Nos. 25, 28 and 30 Bienville street, is ably represented by Mr. James A. Roberts, and the ales and porters which have been sampled on the grounds have been pronounced equal to any in the market by hundreds of competent judges.

THE STOVE PAGODA. Of Henry Haller, No. 49 Camp street, has received a large share of attention during the past week, and no wonder, as the buns, biscuits, bread and cake cooked there on the Buck's Brilliant stove, and freely distributed to visitors, are of near perfection as anything can be in this mortal sphere. Mr. Haller deserves much credit for his public spirit, and the stove he is agent for all the popularity it enjoys.

THE CORD BOUND MATRESS. Manufactured by Mr. J. J. Donahoe, deserves the special attention of all housekeepers, steamboatmen and hotel proprietors. It is a home invention, neat and desirable, and Mr. Donahoe is confident that when once understood it will become universally popular.

LEIGHTON'S CORNER. Is fitted up with the usual good taste of this veteran dealer in shirts and gentlemen's furnishing goods. The display has been admired by all visitors to the fair.

BARSHIDE & MAES, No. 17 Tchoupitoulas street, whose fine display has received so much admiration from visitors, have been awarded the blue ribbon for the best display of preserves, jellies, fruits in liquor, pickles in glass, bottled white vinegar and for best display in their class, making six blue ribbons.

WOODY'S display receives much attention, and deserves all that is bestowed upon it. For a quarter of a century the name of Woody has been inseparably connected with shirts and furnishing goods, and the popularity of their goods is ever on the increase. The principal attraction yesterday was

THE RACES. The first was a trotting race, mile heats, three best in five, and was won by Leonard & Maxwell's bay stallion Almont, Jr. The second was a running match, mile dash, and was won by P. O. Minor's bay horse Falmouth.

The grounds will open to-day, but the machinery will not be in motion. To compensate for this, Captain Bogardus will shoot a match against time for a purse of \$500.

National Republican Conventions. Soon after it was announced that the Republican National Convention would be held in Cincinnati it was reported that, anticipating a great influx of travelers, the hotels and other places of entertainment would raise their prices to an extortionate amount. Some credit was given to the rumor because it was circulated by a portion of the press.

It is gratifying to announce that it is entirely unfounded. Mr. W. B. Shattuck, corresponding secretary and chairman of the committee on entertainment, writes that he holds a contract with all the leading hotels of Cincinnati, agreeing to do all that can be done to accommodate visitors at the regular rates of \$2 to \$4 a day, according to the class of the hotel.

He also states they would not if they could, advance the rates during the holding of the convention, realizing fully the importance of having their guests go away with the feeling that they have received the best accommodations possible, knowing that there will be a larger attendance than at any political convention ever held in the United States.

Arrangements with railroads will soon be announced.

Bredging at Southwest Pass. During February, 1876, the depth of channel, at mean low tide, ranged from fifteen to sixteen feet, and at high tide ranged from seventeen to eighteen and one-half feet. Eighty-seven sailing vessels passed in and 147 out; twenty-six steamers passed in and thirty-one out. Twenty-two vessels crossed the bar drawing from eighteen to nineteen feet. Eight vessels drawing eighteen feet and over were detained by grounding on the bar an aggregate of 106 1/2 hours; eighteen drawing less than eighteen feet were detained an aggregate of 145 1/2 hours. Many of the grounded vessels were of very light draft, of much less than the depth of water in channel, and were grounded by not being able to keep in channel.

The elegant bouquet and wreath, which formed so attractive a part in the decorations of Vigilant Steam Fire Company No. 3, was the handiwork of that accomplished and popular modiste, Mme. Rosa Reynolds, No. 9 Chartres street.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE MEXICAN REVOLUTION.

REYNOSA CAPTURED BY INSURGENTS.

REGULAR SOLDIERS TAKEN

The Commandant Crosses the River and Escapes.

CAMARGO IN DANGER

[Special to the New Orleans Republican.]

SAN ANTONIO, March 4, 1876. Day before yesterday morning the revolutionists, under General Delapena, attacked and captured the town of Reynosa about sixty miles above Matamoros, some of the inhabitants coming to this side. The revolutionists also captured sixteen out of a detachment of twenty regular soldiers at Reynosa. The captain and the rest of the detachment made their escape. The captain is in Edinburg.

Reynosa is a point on the line of telegraph between Matamoros and the capital and its capture cuts off communication between the two points.

It is believed here in San Antonio that Camargo has been taken by the revolutionists this morning. If not, it will be shortly. BEXAR.

WASHINGTON.

Briefery.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Dr. Dent officiated as chemist in the patent office under investigation last night.

The Belmont impeachment articles. The sub-committee have completed the articles of impeachment.

Belknap's Wealth. The committee on expenditures of the War Department, in the annual report that Belknap's possessions are worth \$