

Member of Congress.

The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held last evening, President Owen being in the chair.

Mr. Sandage, by Mr. Burwell, offered the following in that connection, which was adopted:

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upon the Atlantic coast as may be deemed expedient.

Resolved, That it is respectfully suggested to the treaty making department of our government that the United States is amply able to guarantee the international use and neutrality of any international waterway or waterway...

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted to the President of the United States, to our Senator in Congress, for the consideration of Congress and the President.

The meeting then adjourned.

Letter from District Attorney Read.

District Attorney Read, of Baton Rouge, has addressed the following letter to Governor Kellogg in answer to the Governor's recent communication to him:

BATON ROUGE, March 29, 1876. His Excellency William F. Kellogg, Governor of Louisiana, New Orleans.

Your letter of the twenty-eighth instant came this morning. You must have labored under a very grave misapprehension in supposing for any instant that the court, the grand jury or myself would fail to take cognizance of and act upon any application of law that may have occurred in this parish, and I regret exceedingly that you should have deemed it necessary to be taken to secure the amendment to those treaties in such of their provisions as ought to be modified or abrogated, and also the courteous and cordial manner in which the Board of Trade of the resolutions of the Chamber of Commerce of New Orleans concerning trade reciprocity with Mexico.

Mr. Tupper offered the following, which was adopted:

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The Connecticut Election.

If there was any for Republicans to rejoice over the election in New Hampshire, when Governor Cheney was re-elected by an increased majority, no little cause for congratulation is shown this morning in the election returns from Connecticut. More than half of the time since the war Connecticut has been under the control of the Democratic party. Most of the time a majority of less than a thousand votes has determined the election; but for the past three years the Democrats have carried the State by large majorities. A year ago Governor Ingersoll was re-elected by a majority over all of 638 votes. Green, the Republican candidate, received 44,272 votes, and Smith, temperance candidate, received 2942. Yesterday all of this was changed. The returns show that in seventy-one towns Ingersoll received a majority of only 1208 votes, leaving more than half the State for Green. The Associated Press dispatch claims Ingersoll's re-election by the popular vote. This may be so, or further returns may tell a different story; but if he is re-elected, it is by a vote so close that the Democrats will have nothing to console themselves with but the bare facts.

In 1868 the Democrats carried their State ticket by a majority of 1765 votes; in the presidential election in the fall of the same year the State gave a majority of 3041 for Grant. In 1872 the Republican State ticket was carried by a majority of only twenty-eight votes; in the presidential election succeeding Grant received a majority of 4218 votes. Judging of the future by the past, therefore, Connecticut may be set down as sure for the Republican party at the next election.

At the Varieties Theatre last night Mr. Charles H. Morton's comedy, called the "Women of the Day," was produced for the first time in New Orleans. This comedy stands numbered among the successes of the New York Fifth Avenue Theatre; it sparkles with humor and timely points; it receives a good case at the Varieties, including Mrs. Chanfrau, and considering the merits of play and performers, the entertainment to-night and to-morrow night, repeating the same bill, should be well attended.

The St. Charles Theatre, under the management of Mr. James Flynn, opened last night as a variety house to large audience. It is a free and easy place, where men are allowed to smoke and to drink without leaving the house. The stage performances were up to the usual standard of the variety halls which have become popular in other cities. The illusion act of Miss Angie Sobott, with rapid and mysterious changes of costume, was very clever. A drama, introducing Admiral and Luis Yale, closed a performance which in no way offended an orderly audience.

Mr. A. F. Steber, who has received honest and careful training under the tutelage of Mr. P. Gleason, remains at the St. Charles Theatre in the box office.

Second Lieutenant Simon C. Vedder, Nineteenth Infantry, acting signal officer, has been relieved from duty at Fort Whipple, and ordered to Santa Fe, New Mexico, to assume charge of the construction and maintenance of so much of the lines of telegraph provided for by acts of Congress as may be designated by the chief signal officer of the army. Lieutenant Vedder is pleasantly remembered here, and the confidence shown toward him by his superiors is gratifying to his friends.

The supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, S. S. Davis, arrived yesterday, and is stopping at the St. James Hotel. He will be given a reception during the week by the city lodges.

M. A. Peck, Esq., the enterprising agent of the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine Company, left Sunday evening on a trip through Mississippi in the interest of his company, which he so ably represents in this section.

Hon. Jacob Hawkins, judge of the Superior District Court, occupied the bench yesterday for the first time in several weeks, and appeared to be perfectly recovered from his illness.

Colonel James Lewis, member of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners, has received ten days' leave of absence.

The Friseurs. The working and practical representatives of the art preservative will give ample proofs of life by holding a convention at Philadelphia in the centennial season. This convention will be the annual meeting of the International Typographical Union, which assembles July 3, 1876, at Philadelphia, according to time and place fixed at the last session in Boston. The craft in New Orleans will be worthily represented by Messrs. Henry Z. Osborn and E. A. Brande, who were elected delegates at the regular meeting of New Orleans Typographical Union No. 17 held on the second instant. Mr. H. W. Green was elected as alternate delegate to the International Union. These gentlemen are well known as standing among the best members of the typographical fraternity, and will do honor to the printers of the Crescent City and the machinery of the press of America.

The Levee-Break at Milliken's Bend. From several dispatches received in this city yesterday and Saturday, from Tallulah, and from information in possession of the engineer's office, the alarming rumor that the levee at Milliken's bend had caved is confirmed. The break appears to be about 100 feet wide, in the old levee, opposite Withnash's house. There is three feet of water in the laborer's camp. All men have been sent to Omega. The dispatches state there is no wharf there, and stuff is wanted immediately to close the break. General Thompson left yesterday, and sufficient lumber has been sent in addition.

Commercial News. The schooner Antia is loading and is to sail for Lagayras on the 5th instant. She has all her cargo engaged, consisting of the bulk of 1000 barrels of flour, potatoes, corn, bran, beef, pork, cheese, butter, lard, coal oil and candles. All her accommodations for passengers have also been secured, and we are informed more room is called for, especially for passengers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

HERSCHE MATAMORAS

CAPTURED BY THE REVOLUTIONISTS

Flight of General Labarra and his Officers.

EFFECT OF THE NEW CONTROL

(Special to the New Orleans Republican.)

SAR ARRONO, Texas, April 3, 1876. The following telegram was received this morning at headquarters:

Four Brown, April 3, 1876. General Diaz captured Matamoras this morning, and now occupies the town. General Labarra has fled here. Two officers, some federal troops, National Guards and customs-house officials have also crossed to this side. JOSEPH H. POTTER, Colonel Commanding.

As the Diaz party is known to contain all of Cortina's adherents, their supremacy at Matamoras will be likely to complicate matters on the Rio Grande. As they have no body to fight, cattle owners on this side will suffer. BEJAR.

CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The Chair laid before the Senate a communication from the chief of the engineer corps, in regard to the trouble and unnecessary delay of boats passing through the Louisiana, Fort and canal, and recommending certain legislation. Referred to Committee on Commerce.

Many petitions were presented against a change of tariff.

Mr. Hamlin gave notice he would on Wednesday call up the postage bill for third class matter.

Mr. Morrison presented the resolutions of the Wilmington, North Carolina, Chamber of Commerce, recommending the organization of the signal service with separate corps.

The Committee on Claims reported adversely on the petition of the Seaboard and Roanoke railroad for compensation for the use of their road by the United States during the war.

Mr. Morton introduced a bill amending the second, fourth and fifth sections of the enforcement act. Mr. Morton said to bring the bill to pass to amend the act to bring it within the decision of the Supreme Court.

Several petitions were presented asking liberal appropriations for the signal service.

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General Labarra was in Fort Brown he surrendered. The particulars of to-day's doings are being ascertained. General Labarra was with General Toledo re-occupying Toledo last night with the Casa Mata. About a quarter past seven o'clock a light took place between the Ninth Regular Cavalry and the remnants of Lagarona and Aguirre. The result was outside the fort. The cavalry surrounded the place. Two pieces were taken at the Monterey fort by the revolutionists and carried by hand to the lower part of the city. The former garrison served them and they were opened on the Casa Mata. The Twenty-second Regular Infantry abandoned Fort San Fernando and entered the Casa Mata. The fight at the Casa Mata was brief for half an hour.

The revolutionists attempted to take the works by storm and were repulsed. Just as they were ready for another attempt a white flag was raised. Colonel Crisostomo Diaz ordered General Diaz. The latter complimented him for his brave defense and told him to wear his sword. The number surrendered by Crisostomo is variously estimated at from 150 to 300.

Colonel Parraut was thrown from his horse in an affair outside of town and is a prisoner.

The list of General Diaz gives the following list of captures: 530 men, seventeen pieces of artillery, 712 stand of arms, besides these in the hands of prisoners. The surgeon reports three killed and twelve wounded. Officers report five killed and sixteen wounded.

General Treviño and Mavajro have General Ordonez surrounded.

Travis sent a courier to General Diaz saying he will defeat Ordonez. Travis is expected in Matamoras within three days. Ordonez is the officer who defeated Naranjo a few days ago.

General Diaz was preparing a note to-day to General Potter, requesting or demanding the removal of the garrison from before Matamoras. Her presence is said to be disagreeable to him. He has expressed determination to remain at Matamoras until his troops enter the city of Mexico. An entire change is progressing. The Diaz men are crowding out the Casa Mata, and the Casa Mata men are coming to this bank.

Still later.—A special to the Galveston News from Brownsville, Texas, April 3, says:

General Toledo has taken service with General Diaz. That decides the question moved yesterday as to having betrayed General Labarra.

The wounded number about twenty-four. The loss on the government side are not known.

General Labarra has been joined by his family, and occupies the house recently occupied by General Diaz in Brownsville. Colonel Crisostomo and a great many other officers are in this place.

General Diaz is on the march from Brownsville to Matamoras. He is expected to arrive in five or six days. General Diaz has issued a proclamation requesting citizens to remain at home and attend to their business. He promises them amnesty for all rights guaranteed by the constitution of 1857. General Labarra anticipates leaving the frontier. General Diaz has not forwarded a communication to General Potter, but he was reported to have written a letter that saying the Rio Bravo on the Mexican side is not a violation of neutrality.

Arms and ammunition were received to-day, some consigned to parties on this side, some to General Labarra, and some to the commanding officer at Matamoras.

General Diaz is reported to have received \$40,000 by the last Morgan steamer.

NEW YORK.