

THE WEEKLY CLARION

A happy Christmas to all our readers.

Chas. O'Connor is in Washington looking after the interests of Mr. Davis.

Gen. Sherman passed up the road this morning from New Orleans—having just returned from Mexico.

THE NOBLE NINE—There were nine Senators in favor of extending the right to vote to ladies when the bill came up in the United States Senate the other day. They were "Anthony, Brown, Buckner, Cowan, Foster, Nesmith, Patterson, Riddle and Wade."

STOCK COMING SOUTH—A Nashville telegram of the 17th informs us that hundreds of mules and horses are constantly passing through Nashville, going South over various railroads. Fifteen car loads arrived at Nashville on the 17th on Louisville line, and will be distributed to Corinth, Miss., and various points in Georgia, per Nashville and Decatur and Nashville and Columbus roads.

IMMENSE FIRE!

Several Blocks Burned!!!!

LOSS OF LIFE.

One of the most appalling and destructive conflagrations which ever occurred in the Southern country swept over the city of Vicksburg last night. It broke out about 8 o'clock in the evening, in the house of Mr. Hank Myers on Levee street, and was caused by the explosion of a Kerosene lamp. The day had been warm and pleasant, with little or no wind, but toward dusk quite a stiff breeze sprang up from the North, which, in an incredible short time fanned the flames into fury, and carried them rapidly to the adjacent buildings on the same street, and when the line of houses became completely ignited, the intense heat caused those on the opposite side to catch. The sparks from this already immense fire were borne up toward Washington street, on which stood the finest and largest business houses, and settled upon the low wooden tenements on Clay street, back of Klein's new establishment, when for a long time the impression was general that all the large brick stores recently erected adjacent to Klein's would be consumed; but here the fire took a quartering course, struck Smith & Parsons, burned several stores north of that, and at this writing is continuing its fiery career toward the depot. The loss was fearful, but we are at present unable to give many of its details.

In a house on Clay street, two children are reported to have been killed. Mr. Peter Casey, who lives in the house, says that he saw the children in the street, and that they were killed by the falling of a chimney.

The rising sun this morning shows many thick and desolate acres, but yesterday teeming with business and life.

The following are among the principal sufferers:

- A. L. Jacoby & Co., Levee street.
Johnson & Larkin, "
Kiersky & Co., "
Ph. Sartorius, "
Col. Oliver Matthews, "
Sam. L. Osborne & Co., "
Peter Casey, Mulberry street.
Gantt & Co., "
Wells & Green, "
Cowan & Herring, Washington street.
Patterson & Co., "
John G. Veiser & Co., "
Edward W. H. Hart, "
Manlove & H. Hart, "
Smith & Parsons, "
Geo. C. Kross & Co., "
F. C. Wadsworth, "
Daniel Sweet, store and residence, Crawford and Washington streets.
George Bruner, Clay street.
George Smith, "
Mrs. Rohrbecker's boarding house on Mulberry street, together with many other tenements and shanties, the owners of which we have not learned up to this writing, were totally destroyed.

LATER.

The fire was checked on the north at the house of Max Kener, and on the south at the house of Mr. Peter Casey.

Many thrilling and heart-rending accidents occurred during the prevalence of the conflagration, which we are unable to chronicle in this connection.

The firemen, as individuals, did nobly; but as organizations, were totally inefficient. A full of clouds hangs over the fated Hill City, and Christmas will find but a sorry welcome at the hands of an impoverished community.

THE DEPTHS.—We have as yet no definite information concerning the death of the children mentioned above. A painful rumor is in circulation, that some new rumor is in circulation, that some new rumor is in circulation, that some new rumor is in circulation.

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The Vicksburg Calamity. To a mail agent on the Southern Railroad, and also to Mr. John G. Cashman of the Vicksburg Times Office are we indebted for copies of a special edition of the Times of yesterday, from which we transfer to our columns an account of the great calamity that has befallen our sister city. The property destroyed must approximate to two millions; some lives were lost, and there is uncertainty as to the fate of others. The very best business portion of the city has been laid in ashes, and hundreds are homeless and homeless. The sufferers not only command the sympathy, but demand the active assistance of the people of the State. Let Jackson be the first to lead off in coming to the help of so noble a sister in her hour of distress. Let the Mayor appoint some suitable persons to wait upon our citizens at once, and let whatever may be contributed be forwarded immediately to the authorities of Vicksburg. And thus we will show how substantially we sympathize with a generous but now afflicted community.

Since the foregoing was written, the following has been received from our worthy Mayor:

MAJOR'S OFFICE. Monday Night, 9 o'clock, Dec. 24, 1906. The terrible and distressing situation in which the people of our sister city are left, from the great calamity which has just befallen them by the great fire, calls for the immediate relief and warm sympathies of all our community. The prompt, liberal and generous manner in which the people of Vicksburg have always gone to the aid of suffering communities, demands our attention. I hope all our citizens will be willing to meet and devise ways and means for relieving those so suddenly distressed. Any suggestions from our citizens as to the time of meeting and mode for giving relief, will be thankfully received. D. N. BARROWS, Mayor.

A GIRL ON A MARKED TRAMP.—A young lady belonging to a respectable family in Nashville donned male attire the other day and attempted to leave the city on a steambot in search of adventure. Her flight was soon discovered, and she was arrested and returned to her friends.

A force of bushwhackers, under Pool and Clemens, entered Lexington, Mo., on Friday, Col. Montgomery and his troops engaged in a fight with them, and Clemens was killed and other bushwhackers were mortally wounded. Several of the most prominent secessionists in the town were then seized by Montgomery and held as hostages for the safety of loyal citizens.

The French have withdrawn from Rome at last. They have been about ten years in withdrawing. At the same rate, we can judge how long it will be before they leave Mexico.

Administrator's No. 100. WHEREAS, Letters of administration on the Estate of HENRY D. JONES, deceased, were granted to the undersigned, at the September term, A. D. 1906, of the Probate Court of Newton county, Mississippi; now all persons having claims against said decedent, are notified to present them, duly proved, within the time, limited by law, or they will be forever barred.

All persons indebted to said decedent will make payment to the undersigned. LEVY JONES, Administrator.

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The great change in the labor system necessitates a corresponding change in the implements used, and we have prepared ourselves to offer the best approved labor saving machinery, both agricultural and mechanical, for your purposes. We will repair your Kettles, pumps, and all kinds of machinery, and will contract for any kind of work done at our establishment, at their prices. Nov 11 d&w

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Founded, 1864; Chartered, 1861. This is a full course Commercial or Business College, in all its departments perfect. Books and notes are prepared, goods actually bought and sold, the books regularly kept, and all the attendant duties of the clerk, book-keeper, correspondent and salesman, are practically performed by the student.

The Diplomas and Premiums for the best Penmanship and Pencil drawing were awarded to this institution, over all competitors at the Louisiana State Fair.

Mr. E. F. Montgomery, Premium Penman, has charge of our Writing Department. All branches of a thorough Business Education are taught by instructors of experience and ability.

For circulars, containing full information, call at the office, or send for them. Dec. 15, 1906

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CHAS. E. SMEDES, MANAGER

THIS ESTABLISHMENT IS NEWLY furnished from the Kitchen to the roof. Spring Beds, Hair Mattresses, Linen Sheet- ing, etc. The Furniture and Table ware, ALL NEW, of the latest style and most costly material. The Table is furnished with every luxury the Market affords. The Bars with liquors equal to any used in private families, and the comforts and pleasures of a home, as far as possible, guaranteed to its guests.

The House itself may be said to be entirely new and fresh. The undersigned will spare neither labor or expense to merit a continuance of the liberal support with which he has thus far been honored.

Nov 20 d&w CHAS. E. SMEDES.

DANIEL & ECHOLS, REAL ESTATE AGENTS, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

PROPOSE to publish a sheet, free of charge, for gratuitous distribution, which will contain a description of all real estate placed in their hands for sale or rent. Persons wishing to buy, sell or otherwise dispose of real estate, will find it to their interest to call on us and learn our terms.

Dec 20 d&w

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Will give strict attention to the purchase of Merchandise and Groceries. Cash orders solicited. Instructions strictly obeyed. Nov 6 d&w

FASSMANN'S PATENT IRON TIES! For Cotton Bales.

UNITED STATES PATENT, APRIL, 1865. IN FASSMANN'S PATENT IRON TIES, the hole in the bottom is punched with eye-bolts as one and one and fifteen at the other. The hole has only to be drawn tight, the holes in the two ends to be brought together, and the iron tie is ready to use. The button inserted. One button will answer, but it is better to insert two.

With the Buckle Tie one end of the hoop is fastened to one section of the Buckle, the other end is inserted in the other section, and simply shoved through it under the other end, so that there is no slack. A bit on the buckle holds it securely to its place.

They are painted to prevent rust, and out in lengths of 10 ft and 12 ft. Ten feet are most generally used, but 10 and 12 are sometimes required for large bales. The buckles are fastened to the hoops, the buttons will be put up in small boxes.

The Weight is About 10 Pounds to the Bale of Cotton.

The advantages of iron over rope for baling cotton are now universally acknowledged. It holds the bale in a much smaller compass, is applied and fastened with as much facility, both in the country pressing and the re-compressing at the sea port, it is immensely the risk from fire, and it is stronger, and is not impaired by time and exposure as is that of rope. This last advantage has been strikingly manifested during the war. The bales of cotton have been lost by the rotting and breaking of rope which could have been prevented by iron ties. The iron tie is superior to this, it can be furnished cheap and light. The derangement of labor in the baling process has reduced the supply of bales to such an extent as to cause prices to rise unreasonably high; indeed a sufficiency for baling a moderate cotton crop, cannot be relied on at any price.

I have arranged for the importation of a large quantity of the best English Iron, and have made arrangements with Messrs. Chambers & Letting for the sale and delivery of my Ties.

The undersigned, Fire Warden and Fire Insurance of the New Orleans Insurance Companies, are of opinion that the Iron Tie affords greater protection against fire than any other device. JOHN ADAMS, Fire Inspector. I consent in the above. ALFRED BELANGER, Ex-Chief Inspector, Fire Department. SHIP REPORT, NEW ORLEANS, July 7, 1906.

H. Fassmann, Ex-Orleans Cotton Press. Sir: In January last I received from your Press 1000 bales of cotton, of which about 1000 were re-pressed and found with your new "Iron Tie." I can safely affirm that the cotton so baled was received in better order than I generally come from the Presses, that it stood better, and enabled the ship to carry more than any previous voyage.

The cotton when discharged from the ship in Liverpool was in better order than the rope baled in this country. It is highly preferable for a ground tier, as it will not break up so much as the rope baled in this country. It is highly preferable for a ground tier, as it will not break up so much as the rope baled in this country.

I am Sir, Yours Respectfully, JOHN H. WARD, Master.

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