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TO OUR FRIENDS.

The DEMOCRAT has just added to its office a new and complete Steam Job Printing department, with all the latest and most desirable improvements in types, rules, borders, etc.

THE MILITIA ROSTER.

A number of valued friends have complained to us of the omission of many names from the roster which we published yesterday of the officers and privates of the Louisiana militia.

KELLOGG'S JAIL DELIVERY.

The attempt of Kellogg, late usurping Governor of this State, to cancel the bonds of various officers of the State in a surreptitious and illegal manner, of which our columns for the last week have furnished full particulars, will not avail to protect any delinquent or malicious official from liability for any offenses previously or subsequently committed by them.

We publish, to-day, the communication relative to Collector King, upon which we commented in Thursday morning's issue, but which appears to have been crowded out of the paper by a press of other matter.

The gentlemen appointed as aids to the Grand Marshal of the ceremonies for the Golden Jubilee are requested to report themselves at the earliest opportunity to Col. J. J. Mellon, 35 Magazine street, so as to be provided with the necessary badges.

In the roster of the State militia as published on Thursday morning, the name of Col. Gustave LeGardeur was omitted. Col. LeGardeur, than whom there is no finer soldier, truer citizen or more perfect gentleman, commanded the independent companies on the 9th of January, and is entitled to a prominent place among the officers of our citizen soldiery.

The most charming spot imaginable is Sherwood Forest, on the shores of Green Lake, Wisconsin. Those who are fortunate enough to spend a summer there are loth to leave it. As for ourselves, we have often thought what a charming thing it would be if we could take this beautiful lake with us, and have it where the eye could forever rest upon it.

A BELEAGUERED CITY.

Was ever a corporation or individual so harassed, hampered and bedeviled by law suits, claims, doubtful titles and every other form of vexation to which our complicated legal and political system exposes every member of our society, as this corporation of New Orleans now is?

Pandora has emptied her box of plagues and calamities upon the devoted heads of the present city Administrators. The sins of their municipal fathers have been visited upon them to the third, fourth and twelfth official generations, and there is scarcely a ray of hope at the bottom of all these calamities, unless it be the gleam reflected from Mayor Pilabury's premium bond plan.

The present Administrators are the innocent inheritors from their predecessors of all these troubles and vexations. Even if so disposed, they have never had the power or the opportunity of adding to this load, "Pallion upon Osage's plaid," of municipal indiscretions, defaults, omissions and commissions. They all come down to them from their antecessors, who, in nearly every era of our city administration for the last forty years, appear to have been controlled by a virulent and insatiable hostility to their successors and a malignant purpose to impose upon them the inevitable consequences of their own profligacy and misfeasances.

Saturn devouring his offspring is a faint mythological symbol of the policy of the ancient fathers of this corporation. If the legitimate results of their various misdeeds had full scope, the corporation would disappear entirely from the reach or gaze of creditors and eager pursuers.

There has at least been some ingenuity and care in the recent legislation surrounding the corporation with bulwarks and iron chains and fastenings, which must render it rather impracticable and unprofitable to assail and board her, and thus keep off her most enterprising and vigorous foes. Like an up-river raft, she floats majestically and rapidly down the current, and all other craft get out of the way and leave her a free course.

What is to be made by ramming or boarding her but damages, costs of law suits and other exhausting vexations? Nothing certainly for the present, or for some time to come. It is a loss of good ammunition and a wear and tear of material and physical forces to batter and ram so imposing and intractable an iron-clad. By and by, however, she may run on a torpedo, which will fetch her and blow her into atoms like Craven's monitor at Fort Gaines in 1864. To escape this sorrowful fate, it would be wise for those charged with her navigation and defense to make any judicious arrangements which may conduct her into a safe port and relieve her of the many perils that now environ her.

Here are some of the troubles which the sins of their forefathers have transmitted to the present City Administrators. Every one of these is due to some gross delinquency, or to rash and impetuous disregard of wise counsels, sound judgment and ordinary prudence. Mrs. Gaines' recent judgment is the most notable example of this bad administration. When it was proposed, in 1834, in the Council of the First Municipality, to buy the property known as the Blanc tract, on Bayou St. John, the city was blessed with a firm, wise and honest Mayor, Denis Prieur, who was for a long time a Democratic chief in this city and filled the highest offices in the corporation, always worthily and efficiently. Mayor Prieur vetoed this proposition on the ground of the defective title. But the unwise and reckless Aldermen said: "We will buy the property at a low rate, guarantee the title and then sell it at a great profit," and so they did, in spite of the protest of the Mayor, who called attention to the claim of Daniel Clark's heirs.

And now comes the Carrollton Railroad Company, with its claims to property on which Poydras Market stands and to other property adjacent thereto, and to a certain portion of St. Charles street, to which, it is averred, the corporation has a good legal and equitable title. This tangle is also traceable to the failure of the city, thirty or forty years ago, to execute in a perfectly clear and proper manner the contract with the company.

This is only one of half a dozen other similar scrapes in which the corporation involved itself through the recklessness, negligence and mal-administration of its public authorities. Other notable examples are the loss by the city of Annunciation Square, Coliseum Place and Dryades Market, each of which properties was recovered by the original proprietors through the neglect of the city to perfect its title.

Lastly, the city, by the recent decision in the Maenhaut case, is subjected to the peril of being compelled to increase her rate of taxation, now limited to one and a half per cent. In presenting this array of the city's embarrassments, we take occasion to say that these troubles are largely due to that timidity in grappling with existing evils which has constantly led our Administrators and people to evade and turn away from difficulties and dangers which should be boldly confronted and, if possible, overcome by a wise, firm and judicious action. Had the predecessors of the present Administrators pursued such a course, these calamities would never have fallen upon our present government. Let us profit by their example, and keep our own record free from such follies and mal-administration.

The subscription to the Waterworks stock foots up nearly \$112,000.

Our contemporaries experience great difficulty in keeping up with the various phases of the tangled and perplexing Gaines case. Some of their references create natural alarm and anxiety among parties whom they represent as seriously affected by the recent judgment in favor of Mrs. Gaines. We have seen letters from persons at the North who are interested in property on Canal street, situated within the imaginary limits of that preposterous rope-walk claim which was determined against Mrs. Gaines several years ago by the Secretary of the Interior, asking if the title to their property would be imperilled by the decision rendered by Judge Billings. This alarm was created by an article in the Times which was corrected and the full extent of Judge Billings' judgment explained in the DEMOCRAT of the 21st of April, a copy of which was sent to our friends to allay their anxiety. And now comes the Picayune with another erroneous statement calculated to alarm the friends of some of our good citizens. It is as follows:

There does not seem to be a desire to further contest the legality of Mrs. Gaines' claims, and those whose property now reverts to that indefatigable litigant, request that the city reimburse them the money paid by them for the ownership of the property. The question, however in these cases, which takes precedence over all others, is that of the relief of the city's bondsmen. It was expected that the City Council would adopt some measure at its meeting yesterday for this purpose, but owing to the press of other business, no action was had.

How all this matter will be arranged is yet a mystery, as several propositions which have been submitted are deemed not as being likely to accomplish the desired results satisfactorily to all parties.

The only bondsmen who have been held liable for the city are the sureties on the appeal bond in the old case of Gaines vs. the city of New Orleans. Their whole liability was for about \$160,000, from which they have been released and, as we understand, the money has been paid into court, where it is now being wrangled over by lawyers and creditors of Mrs. Gaines, with little chance of her ever getting a dollar of it.

The city's only present difficulty in the Gaines matter is one which does not involve her bondsmen. It is simply to make some fair settlement with the property-holders of the Blanc tract against whom Mrs. Gaines has obtained judgment, and who bought their property from the city some thirty years ago.

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ALLEN JUMEL, Auditor.

OFFICE LOUISIANA EQUITABLE LIFE INS. CO.

Annual Board Meeting, May 1, 1877.

Extract from the Minutes.

Resolved, That this Company, recognizing the justice and equity of the Insurance Law of this State, entitled "An act to better secure the holders of Life Insurance Policies," etc., approved April 2, 1877, cheerfully comply with all its requirements.

Resolved, That a copy of the above resolution and the certificate from the Auditor of State be published in the daily papers of this city.

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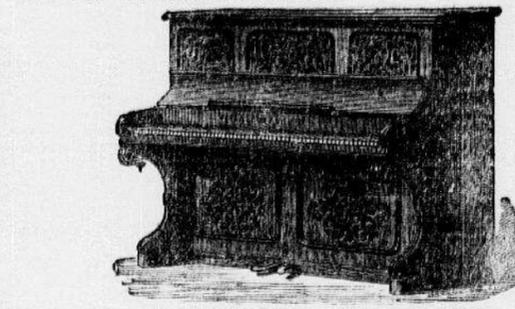
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