GRANITE BUILDING TALK.

LEARNING THE ROPES—A RECOMMENDATION FOR A RECONSIDERATION.

The Calcasieu Log "Jackass" Telegram and the Appraisers—Rise Up, Gainey, and Explain.

Those who have been appointed to positions in the Custom-House shied their castors into that building on Tuesday morning and

WERE TAKING NOTES

As it were or "learning the ropes" that their onerous (?) duties on Wednesday might not drop upon them like a thunder clap and find them unacquainted with their duties. Included in this list was Lew Kenner, who succeeds Mr. Jolly as special deputy naval officer, the latter having been appointed deputy collector of the port at Brashear or Morgan City.

It was stated in the hall of the Custom-House that the reductions had been so sweeping that it would seriously interfere with the proper collections of duties, and for that reason, perhaps, one of the members of the commission is reported to have said that he would vote for a reconsideration of a portion of the report recommending a reduction

IN ONE BUREAU,

or office, in which event that recommodation would, of course, have to be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury before it could be put into practical effect here.

No new developments are reported in the Calcasieu log matters, though from advices received it seems that the logs referred to by Gainey in his "Jackass" telegram, published in Tuesday's DEMOCRAT, it seems that the logs he was about to seize were private property, taken from the ground ceded by the Rio Hondu grant, and were cut within a mile or two of the camp of the United States troops.

Logs have been cut, it is said, from this grant ever since Gainey went to Lake Charles, and he has even seen the choppers while they were cutting.

There was a rumor current about the Custom-House that United States Commissioner Chamberlain and Appraisers Couturie and Sewell were

NOT VERY WELL PLEASED

with Gainey's reference to their "pernicious influence," and it was hinted that they contemplated making a report to Judge Billings, in which they might, if they chose, relate just how Gainey threatened their arrest while performing their duties and obeying the orders of the court in making an inventory of logs.

THE BRIDGES IN COURT.

Administrator McCaffrey Applies for an Injunction.

Messrs. Singleton & Brown, attorneys on behalf of John McCaffrey, Administrator of Improvements, yesterday filed a petition for an injunction, in the Third District Court, against Charles Cavanac, Administrator of Commerce.

Petitioner represents that he was duly elected and qualified as Administrator of Improvements. That on his entering upon the duties of his office he furnished a bond of twenty-five thousand dollars for the faithful performance of his duties; that a part of the duties or functions of his office is the control, management and superintending of the bridges of the city of New Orleans within its limits, including the selection of employes to watch and tend the bridges across the navigation canals.

Petitioner avers that he is informed and believes that Chas. Cavanac, Administrator of Commerce, asserts his right to exercise said specified functions and duties, and is on the point of usurping and taking possession of the same, and that he will do so to the great injury and damage of petitioner to an amount exceeding $500. He prays that a writ of injunction may issue against Chas. Cavanac, Administrator of Commerce, enjoining and restraining him from interfering with petitioner's duties. The injunction was granted on $3000 bond.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Drawing of the Seventh Series of Premium Bonds.

Bernard Naab, of No. 636 Constance street, writes the Mayor about an old wooden building at the corner of Constance street and Louisiana Avenue, adjoining his residence, which he says is in a dangerous condition. The shed of the building covers his alleyway and makes it dangerous for himself and family to pass in and out, as it is liable to fall at any moment. The City Surveyor has been instructed to visit the premises and report to the Mayor.

A LADY FROM ARKANSAS.

A Mrs. William Bridge called at the Mayor's office Tuesday morning to say that she was in a destitute condition, and to ask the city authorities to furnish her with transportation to her home in Little Rock, Arkansas. She states that her husband and herself came down the river and stopped at the McVeigh plantation, fourteen miles above Baton Rouge, where he was employed to put up a sugar mill. He had been working for two days when he was taken with brain fever and died, leaving her without a cent. She had no home, and was obliged to go somewhere, and thought that by coming here she would receive some assistance. Mr. Bridge was an engineer by occupation, and being without employment at home, came South, expecting to get work. There is no provision made by the City Council for such cases, and consequently it was impossible for the city to send her home.

PREMIUM BOND DRAWING.

Acting Mayor Denis, the Administrators, a number of bank presidents and other parties interested, assembled in the room of the Department of Public Accounts to witness the quarterly drawing of the seventh series of Premium Bonds. The drawing commenced at 10 o'clock and the following series were drawn from the wheel:

3216, 8227, 6293, 3281, 9686, 7102, 8289, 6575, 4105, 6079, 2788, 1857, 8213, 9634, 9721, 4686, 646, 1638, 1454, 6170, 2552, 1578, 6976, 2604, 2045, 1821, 5837, 483, 7690, 9366, 1869, 6075, 8442, 3649, 6582, 1516, 2693, 8070, 8630, 7976, 1781, 2015, 3769, 7320, 3363.

THE CITY CONTRACTORS.

It has been agreed that the city contractors shall receive their certificates for work done during the past month, but they will be notified that they are to have at work hereafter three times as many men as are now employed by them, the number being considered entirely inadequate for a perfect compliance with the conditions of their contracts.

A QUEER CASE.

Among the petitions read at the Council meeting yesterday there was one from a baker named Bernard Schlemmer, doing business at the corner of Prieur and Ursulines streets, applying for relief against the interference of the police, who threaten, he says, to imprison him and even close his bakery, because they charge, in sight of passers by, while kneading his dough, he is nude from the waist up, which, in their opinion, constitutes an exposure of person. The case is a novel one, that may give rise to serious complications if the police do not put a check to their zeal. The next thing we shall hear of will be that the guardians of the public peace are arresting men for bathing naked in the river and navigation canals.

THE PRINCIPAL EVENTS,

however, that occurred at the City Hall yesterday were the receipt of Administrator McCaffrey's injunction against Mr. Cavanac, and the action of the Council against Mr. McCaffrey's proposition to invite the examination of the affairs of our municipal government by a joint committee composed of members of the Property Holders' Union, the Merchants' Exchange and the Cotton Exchange.

The first event has caused surprise to some of the Administrators, who seem to think that Judge Monroe acted somewhat hastily in granting a peremptory order instead of a rule *nisi* against the taking possession of the bridges over the navigation canals by Administrator Cavanac, and besides in not fixing any date for the trial of the injunction. Elsewhere it is thought that Judge Monroe

HAD NO ALTERNATIVE

to adopt in the matter, Mr. McCaffrey having filed the proper affidavit and furnished the requisite bond, fixed by Judge Monroe at $3000.

The second event has attracted considerable attention, especially the remarks of Col. Denis, uttered in giving the casting vote in favor of tabling the resolution.

Those who share the views of the acting Mayor say he might have gone much further in his remarks, and maintained, as an excellent ground against the appointment of the proposed committee, that it would be an interminable business if, at every whispering or innendo against the city administration, a committee had to be appointed to investigate its affairs. That if there are any charges of maladministration to be made they should be made boldly by those who entertain the opinion that there has been wrong doing at the City Hall. Indeed, that the public ought to know it. Considerable stress is laid also on the proposition to give the Property Holders and Taxpayers' Union a representation of five, amounting to a majority of the committee, when that union excludes from its membership all owners or representatives of a bonded interest, State or city, which, of course, would exclude all our bank and insurance company officers, not to speak of other important corporations and nearly all of our large capitalists, who pay heavy taxes annually.

It is the general opinion that this subject is not settled, and will yet give rise to lively discussions.

THE COMING REGATTA.

Who Have Entered.

Last evening there was a meeting of the regatta committee at Johnny Hawkins' saloon, in order to receive entries for the regatta of the Riverside Rowing Club, to take place at the New Lake End on Monday and Tuesday next. On Monday the races will be, first the single scull, double shell, and four-oared gig; on Tuesday, single scull working boat, four-oared barge, and four-oared shell. The distance will be: For the single sculls and double-oared sculls, two miles; for the four-oared gigs and barges, two miles; and for four-oared shells, three miles.

The following named gentlemen will act as judges, and they will select an umpire: B. M. Harrod, Gus. A. Breaux, Chas. Cavanac, P. L. Bouny, J. H. Behan and W. B. Krumbhaar.

The entries, as closed last night, were as follows:

ENTRIES FOR RIVERSIDE REGATTA.

Southern Club.—Four-oared shell J. P. McElroy, 41 feet long, 18 inches beam; built by E. Waters & Son, Troy, N. Y., of paper. A. H. Deckbar, stroke; P. Slessinger, No. 3; J. H. Churchill, No. 2; W. Ziegler, No. 1; W. Reeder, coxswain.

Double scull shell Wm. Mehle, 35 feet long, 17½ inches beam; built by Blakie, of Mass. J. Murphy, stroke; M. Wheless, bow; P. Slessinger, captain. Colors—Blue and white.

Atlantic Club.—Barge Wm. McKee, 32 feet long 47 inches beam; built by Rouse, Borne & Morton, Algiers. Jas. Foley, No. 1; Thos. Higgins, No. 2; W. Heath, No. 3; John L. Smith, No. 4; A. A. Murdo, coxswain; M. James and P. Muleare, substitutes. Colors—Blue and White.

Single scull Eddy, 20 feet long, 12 inches wide; J. J. Burtus, builder. E. Toley, rower.

Perseverance Club.—Shell Annie R., 44 feet long, 18 inches beam; built by Thos. Fernon, of Yonkers, N. Y. F. Rohder, bow; W. Graham, stroke; Jno. Kennedy, No. 2; H. Meany, No. 3; James Ferrer, coxswain.

Gig Katie, 39 feet long; built by T. Fernon, of New York. E. C. Zeagler, bow; H. Bland, No. 2; Jno. E. Sullivan, No. 3; A. Thomas, stroke; Peter Sellen, coxswain.

Single scull Johnnie, 30 feet long, 12 inches beam; built by T. Fernon, New York. Jas. Keegan. Substitutes—J. Bohden, Chas. Rudolob, Thos. Graham and James Hannon.

Pickwick Club.—Single scull working boat Petrel, 20 feet long, 25 inches wide, 9 inches deep; Ed. Boset, builder. Colors—White and red. L. Favares, rower.

Magnolia Club.—Four-oared gig Harry B., Jr.; T. Boresch, New Orleans, builder; 36 feet long, 26 inches beam. Thos. Hadly, bow; P. Carr, No. 2; P. Stublefield, No. 3; A. McDonald, stroke; R. Rooney, coxswain.

Wherry M. Durnia. Colors—White shirt and blue stripe.

Orleans Club.—Four-oared gig D. S. Ramelli. Chas. Buchanan, stroke; H. Kline, No. 1; W. L. Peyton, No. 2; L. S. Watrouse, No. 3.

Single scull Nameless. Rowed by M. Dallas.

Aspinwall Club.—Four-oared barge Lilly Johnson, 36 feet long, 42 inch beam; Rice Cogan, builder, Algiers. Thomas Oliver, No. 1; Wm. Brooks, No. 2; Hy. Lambert, No. 3; Andrew Miller, No. 4; Henry McCabe, coxswain. Colors—Grey.

Perseverance Club.—Single scull working boat, 20 feet long, 2 feet wide; John Mahony builder. L. Wire rower.

Hope Club.—Four-oared shell J. Wolkart, 43 feet long, 19 inch beam; C. B. Elliot, Greenpoint, N. Y., builder. Jos. Lusk, No. 1; John McNulty, No. 2; W. Tanzley, No. 3; M. Carey, stroke; P. Bradley, coxswain.

Four-oared gig Nettie Norton, C.B. Elliott builder. C. Wilson, No. 1; J. Redmond, No. 2; M. Lightly, No. 3; P. Powers, stroke; P. Bradbury, coxswain.

Four-oared barge Mimi Kelt, 33 feet long, 42 inch beam; R. Cogan, Algiers, builder. Pat Walsh, No. 1; Thos. McGrath, No. 2; A. Johnson, No. 3; Jas. Tully, stroke; John Carey, coxswain.

Single scull working boat Hope, 22 feet long, 24 inch beam; Ed. Bosch, New Orleans, builder. Jas. O'Donnell, rower.

Single scull A. P. Kip, J. Maxwell, builder, Pittsburg; length 31 feet, beam 10½ inches.

C. T. Howard Club.—Working boat, Dumont, of Carrollton, builder; length 23 feet, beam 18 inches, depth 6½ inches; Wm. Rafferty, rower.

Double scull shell Frank McElroy, Blakey, of Cambridge, Mass, builder; length 33 feet 6 inches, beam 15 inches, depth 7½ inches; stroke, J. R. Tetze; bow, Thomas Barrett. Colors—Blue and red.

Riversides.—Shell James H. Grover, built by Blakie of Cambridge, Mass.; length 41 feet, 21 inch beam, Spanish cedar. P. Gallagher, bow; Wm. Dougherty, No. 2; Mike Ridge, No. 3; H. Murphy, stroke; Ed. Klien, coxswain.

Four-oared gig Ida Edith, built by Blakie; 38 feet in length, 25 inch beam, Spanish cedar. Tom O'Hara, bow; Henry Frazer, No. 2; Mike Gallagher, No. 3; Robt. E. Diamond, stroke; Ed. Klien, coxswain.

St. John Rowing Club.—Single shell Rose, Elliott, builder. C. T Soniat, rower.

Celestine, Waters & Son, builders. R. G. Musgrove, rower.

Double scull Amelia, Elliott, builder. Jno. Connolly, stroke; T. H. Bayhi, rower.

Wherry Unknown, C. T. Soniat, rower.

The gold badges for the winners were exhibited last night, and they were of the most tasty pattern and exquisitely designed. The artistic bead that gave shape to the work was that of Mr. J. C. Meyer, of No. 321 Old Levee street, who has for so long a time catered to our clubs.

The badges for crew and coxswain are of gold, with oxydized silver oars crossed, and the pattern is most unique. In order that the public may get a view of them they will to-day be placed in the window of Mr. B. T. Walshe, on Canal street, on exhibition.

On Friday evening the judges will meet at Hawkins' Saloon, at 8 o'clock, for conference, and on Saturday evening the captains and strokes of crews will meet at the same place to choose positions.

A Presentation.

Company A, of the Orleans Artillery, in their tasty uniforms, turned out last night in full force, the occasion being the reception of a handsome guidon from the hands of Mrs. Ducros, the amiable wife of Capt. E. A. Ducros, who commands the company.

The officers are: Captain, E. A. Ducros; first senior lieutenant, D. Hauck; first junior lieutenant, A. Lesseps.

After the presentation Mr. George E. Forstall responded in a neat speech, and the line of march was taken up, and many friends and the DEMOCRAT serenaded.

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Judge Miltenberger says, in reference to an article published in one of the city papers on Sunday last, about recorders charging one dollar for each appearance bond, it is untrue, so far as his court in concerned. He says positively, that no fee has been charged by himself or clerks for any bond given in the Second Recorder's Court since he has occupied the position of Judge.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL MATTERS.

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS—IMPORTANT MATTERS DISCUSSED.

The Kellogg Board Injunction Under Consideration—It is to be Contested in the Courts.

The Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural College met yesterday at the Executive office, pursuant to call, there being present the ex-officio President, his Excellency the Governor; Dr. Williams, of East Baton Rouge, Vice President; Gen. Brent, of Ascension; Dr. Taylor, of St. Landry; Mr. Roundtree, of New Orleans; F. L. Grimes, of Avoyelles; Wm. H. Harris, of Pointe Coupee; Dr. R. H. Ryland, of West Feliciana; R. M. Lusher, Esq., of Orleans, and Mr. Graby.

The minutes of the meetings held some weeks since

AT BATON ROUGE

were read and approved, and on motion the Board, according to the provisions of the law creating it, approved and ratified the action had at those meetings.

The Governor stated that since the Board had met, an injunction had been taken restraining the Auditor and Treasurer from warranting for or paying moneys to the proper officers of the Board. He had consulted the Attorney General upon the subject, that official expressing the view that he could act in the matter only as far as the Auditor and Treasurer were concerned, therefore he thought it would be necessary for the Board to employ an attorney.

The Attorney General had stated that this board had not been made a

PARTY TO THE SUIT,

and, therefore, he thought that he would not feel justified in making or filing an exception to that claim; that if any exceptions were taken it must be by the board as intervenors. He did not think this board could go into the merits of the case, but the counsel employed by the board could determine that. The Governor thought that the Attorney General was correct when he stated that he does not, as a part of his official duties, represent this board.

A communication was read from Prof. Cross, of the Faculty of the old Board of Control of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, in which the proposition was made that his party would take no further legal steps or proceedsngs provided that the whole matter be

LEFT IN STATU QUO

until the meeting of the next Legislature, when the whole subject matter would be submitted to that body, and insimating that unless such a course was agreed to the old Kellogg board would carry it to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Some of the members of the board, not understanding exactly the nature of the injunction issued upon the petition of the old board, a copy was obtained from the office of the Attorney General and read in detail. The petition goes on to quote various acts of Congress donating lands to the State for the benefit of the college, recites the act of incorporation, and alleges that said college has, in its corporate capacity, made purchases and acquisitions of land, and incurred obligations on account of the same.

The petition alleges that the semi-annual interest due July 1, 1877, on $196,200, new consolidated bonds, deposited with the State Treasurer under acts No. 125 of 1874, and No. 20 of 1875, in conformity with the arrangements of the State with petitioner, amounting $6867, being due and payable to petitioner, demand for the same was made on the State Treasurer and State Auditor, and payment of the same refused by each of them, upon the pretended ground that petitioner had no longer control over said funds; that act No. 145 of extra session of 1877, entitled "an act to unite the Louisiana State University, as now established and located near Alexandria, in the parish of Rapides, and the Agricultural and Mechanical College, as now established, and located in the parish of St. Bernard, into one and the same

INSTITUTION OF LEARNING

to be known and designated under the name and title of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College" is valid and binding and creates a new board of control of these united colleges. Said Auditor and Treasurer further claim that said act creates in section 5 of said act a corporation, under the style and title of the "Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State Universary and Agricultural and Mechanical College," and in section 17 of same act places at the disposal of said board of supervisors of these united colleges all the interest and income derived and to be derived from the sales of lands granted, or that may hereafter be granted, to the State of Louisiana by the United States for the use of a seminary of learning, and all the interest and income of the fund derived and to be derived from the sales of all lands and land scrip granted, or that may hereafter be granted, to the State of Louisiana by virtue of an act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, etc.

PETITIONER ALLEGES

that said act, uniting said colleges, under the title of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, is unconstitutional, null and void, because it violates article 110 of the State constitution, and article 1, section 10, paragraph 1, of the United States constitution, forbidding the passing of any law impairing the obligation of contracts, etc.

Petitioner alleges that article 145 undertakes to create a united college, in which the leading object will not be to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and mechanics, but said act provides for an immense scientific and costly college, in which the object of the donation by Congress is entirely ignored or must necessarily occupy a subordinate position, and consequently said act is in violation of the laws of the United States, and especially in violation of the act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, and section four of said act.

Petition represents that an injunction is necessary to restrain said Jumel and said Dubuclet from paying over said funds to any other persons than petitioner, until petitioner's right to the same can be judicially determined. Petitioner therefore asks that an injunction issue restraining them from paying over the proceeds of said coupons, attached to said State bonds, or delivering said coupons or their proceeds, now or hereafter, to any other persons than petitioner, and that said pretended act of 1877 be decreed to be unconstitutional, null and void.

After the reading of the petition was concluded, some discussion arose as to whether or not the Board of Supervisors was a party to the legal proceedings.

The Attorney General was called in, and while in his opinion he did not think that the board was a party to the suit, he said he would in a few days

FILE AN EXCEPTION

to the injunction, and maintained that the board should employ counsel to represent it should the case come up for trial on its merits, as his office was overrun, and should he take a position as the legal representative of the board, he would have more than he could attend to.

The Governor thought the board should make a demand on the old board for possession of the property, when it was stated that the custodian, Mr. Ducros, had made a demand, and was refused.

Gen. Brent moved that the President be authorized to take legal advice or institute suit, and appear in court whenever he deemed it necessary. Carried.

The board then took a recess until 8 p. m., agreeing to meet at Parlor P, St. Charles Hotel,

Evening Session.

The Governor being absent, Dr. Williamson called the board to order at 8:25 p. m.

Dr. Williams, from the committee on selections to the presidency of the University, reported referring to a letter from Prof. Brown, of the Danford University, declining the presidency and urging that the board insist that Col. Boyd should accept the position.

Other communications were read, including one from J. W. L. Vouton, who said he would pay $1000 per annum for the college farm in St. Bernard parish, he stipulating that he should be permitted to cut wood, fuel and fencing timber.

Another proposition from the same party offered $1200 for the second year.

Mr. Gundy moved that A. W. Rountree be appointed an agent of the farm, empowered to lease the property at not less than $2100 for the first year.

Dr. Ryland thought that $1200 or $1500 rent could be secured for the first year, and offered as an amendment that Mr. Harris and Mr. Stoddard Howell be added to the committee of agents. The amendment was accepted and the motion carried.

The committee to whom was referred the matter of the land donation by the city of Baton Rouge, etc., reported, and a letter was read from the Mayor of Baton Rouge setting forth that the City Council would carry out the provisions of the resolutions of that body, and in effect that one hundred acres of land, adjoining the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, would be donated in addition to "Mexico" Square for the agricultural farm as soon as the Agricultural College and University was located there.

Mr. Gunby moved that the board accept the donation tendered, and that the vice president be authorized to enter into the necessary agreement with the city of Baton Rouge. Carried.

A letter was read from Prof E. W. Hilgard, of California, (elected to the chair of agricultural chemistry and superintendent of the farm), in which he declined the proffered position.

Some ten or twelve applications for various positions in the college were reported by the secretary, but were deferred.

Mr. Gumby offered a resolution authorizing the treasurer of the board to call upon the old officers of the Agricultural College and demand a delivery of all funds, property, rights, etc., belonging to this board and held by the old board.

Dr. Ryland stated that all of those parties were absent from the city.

A resolution was adopted forbidding the use of any Agricultural College funds to the liquidation of the University debts.

Adjourned until 12 m. to-day at the Executive office.

During the day session a question arose as to the right of the old board to hold a meeting, pending which it was discovered by the files of the DEMOCRAT that four members thereof did attempt to hold a meeting on June 5, at which there was present Messrs. Shaw, Russell, Bonzano and Edwards, who did not constitute

A LEGAL QUORUM

even of the old board.

This gives rise to the question as to whether the bills and accounts audited at that meeting will be considered legal or whether the amounts can be recovered.

FILTH AND CORRUPTION.

A Terrible Condition of Affairs at the Fish Market.

Yesterday afternoon while strolling along Ursulines street, the writer was accosted by two tradespeople doing business in the neighborhood of the fish market, who hailed his appearance with something akin frenzied joy. After a short parley the party walked into the fish market, but the representative of the DEMOCRAT had to withdraw after making four or five steps under the roof of the structure, the stench of the market having had upon him the complete effect

OF A VOMITORY.

The test seemed to highly please our tradesmen, who now went on to give a terrible account of the sights that were seen by them every morning, which, together with the pitiful condition in which the market is kept, they claim, has fairly driven their customers away from their places of business. Every morning, they assert, the fishmongers are in the habit of pouring their slops and decayed merchandise into the gutters, to the great annoyance of the shopkeepers and residents of the locality. And they add, what is almost incredible, that hordes of negroes congregate about the gutters, cursing, howling and fighting over the cast away fish and shrimps, which they

USE FOR FOOD!

We were of course unable to make anything like an examination of the condition of the interior of the market, but our experience on its very threshold satisfied us that the assertion was true that it has not been washed for months, possibly for years. It is simply infamously filthy. We inquired of our informants whether

ANY COMPLAINTS

had been made to the authorities regarding this market. The reply was that ten or twelve days ago a complaint was made to the Board of Health, but nothing had come of it. As to the commissary he had been repeatedly applied to in order that this unendurable nuisance should be abated, but no improvement has ever manifested itself. Yet they are determined that the market ordinances shall be enforced, if they have to go to law about it, and claim a compensation from the farmer of the market and the city

FOR DAMAGES

done to their business.

If the authorities do not take immediate steps to remedy this crying evil, it is our fixed opinion, unless all the accepted theories on the subject are false, that it will not be long before a pestilence breaks out in the vicinity of the fish, the fruit and the meat markets, for these two last name markets appear to have been neglected as well as the first mentioned one.

Trades people in the vicinity of the fish market also complain again of another nuisance, referred to a few days ago in the DEMOCRAT, that is the invasion of poultry dealers and peddlers of all kinds,

WHO BLOCK UP

streets and sidewalks with their wares, whilst there are forty or fifty vacant stalls in the market of which they might avail themselves.

Railroad Personals.

BY THE MOBILE ROUTE.

The departures by the Mobile route last night were as follows: Hermain Rice, New York; Rev. James Morrow, Virginia Springs; C. J. Macmurdo, Virginia Springs; Miss Nannie Robinson, Lynchburg; Mrs. W. T. Ingalls and family, Virginia Springs; F. Heidham, Chicago; Mr. Antonio Boglinghn, Mrs. Angelo Barbara, Giovanni Baptiste and Michael Arcangello, Europe, via New York; Ulric Bettison and family, Niagara Falls; J. Dreyfus, New York; Alex. Moses, St. Louis; Charles Handy and lady, of Canton, Miss., Atlanta; John Holozman, St. Louis; J. L. Harrison and family, Cincinnati; James Brandin, Jr., Baltimore; Miss Minnie A. Middlemiss, Boston; Capt. J. W. Blanks, Capt. John DeHart and Capt. Joe. Holmes, Cincinnati and the North.

BY THE JACKSON ROUTE.

The departures by this route were: F. W. Darrell, Yellow Springs, Ohio; John Edwards, San Francisco, Cal; Henry Cohen, J. H. Blenk, New York; Mrs. I. Bloom, Miss Israel, Little Rock; Chas. Miller, Miss A. McDonald, Chicago; P. Casse and daughter, Niagara Falls; J. G. A. Lyon, F. W. Wheaton, St. Louis; E. Stern, Monroe, La.; Peter Fague, Hot Springs; J. H. Davis, Knoxville, Tenn.; E. A. Pierson, Savannah, Ga.; J. H. Peters, Charleston, S. C; John Mitchell, Columbus, Ga.; Warren Morton and family, Cedar Keys, Fla.

Palais Royal.

Among the many changes to take place soon on the grand boulevard none will be more striking and more indicative of the good time to come than the swaying to the breeze the banners of the grand "Palais Royal." Our enterprising friend Levy, who has for so many years been the popular proprietor of the dollar store, No. 137 Canal street, seems to have had his faith shaken in republican institutions and ideas, and is determined, with one fell swoop, to obliterate the name of dollar store forever. He is making preparations for the opening of this elegant and gorgeous establishment, and nothing will be spared in making it the most attractive place in the Southern country. Levy's dollar store is known throughout the whole South, and as it has been known for its promptness in filling orders and the polite attention of the clerks, and the place to get everything, so will the Palais Royal grow into popular favor, for we will see in the large and gilded signs that are to adorn the building evidences of a new era, a prosperity which we have longed for but never expected until the present time.

Body Found.

At five minutes to 4 o'clock last evening the body of John Mullen, who was drowned Sunday evening last from off the steamer Oriole, was found floating in the river between Nunn and St. Mary streets. The coroner held an inquest and returned a verdict of accidental drowning.

Died Suddenly.

At half-past 3 o'clock yesterday a white man, name unknown, died suddenly at the Seventh Sub-Station. The coroner held an inquest and returned a verdict of congestion of the brain.

SELPH WON'T HAVE IT.

THAT IS, THE PLACE ON THE AMERICAN TEAM.

He Will, However, Stick to the Crescent City Team and See Them Through.

It was announced by the DEMOCRAT on Monday morning that Capt. Dudley Selph, the champion long range rifle shot of America, had received an invitation tendering to him a place

ON THE AMERICAN TEAM,

which he declines, as will be seen by the following reply to the letter received by him:

NEW ORLEANS, July 20, 1877.

To Committee on Selection of American Team:

Gentlemen—Your favor 23d inst., received last Saturday, the 28th, and its contents discussed by the officers and members of the Crescent City Rifle Club, and the consequence I will explain, only postponing a thorough explanation to the time when we shall meet. To your generous and kind offer to place me on the national team if my skill entitles me to such an honor, and to your desire that I should precede the other members of our State team in my arrival at New York, thereby granting me time to contest for a position.

The members of the team, and also the officers of the club, are desirous that I should remain and accompany them on or about the 10th of August, and, like myself, keenly feel the regret that circumstances operate so strangely against our desire.

Like yourselves, gentlemen, in the coming contest, where the skill and nerve of bone fide American riflemen will be pitted against the world, then the patriot's pride is awakened, and my Southern friends, as well as the writer, are as desirous of success as you gentlemen of Creedmoor, and would feel as bitterly the pang of disappointment, if defeated.

Whether or not a member from our Pelican State, or of any State be on the team, we recognize the importance of success in the coming match, and join our Northern brethren in their desire for victory.

It is true we would like to feel that the skill of at least one Southern rifleman entitled him to the honor of a position on America's team, and if that lucky one had been myself, I would have done my "*level best*." As it is, I wish you success, and when our little team are on the grounds as spectators you will have warm hearts beating for bullseyes and watching for the end of the forty-five row, and then score another battle won for America.

Accept my sincere thanks for your kind letter, and believe me to be your friend,

DUDLEY SELPH.

Capt. Selph, as will be seen, prefers to

STAY WITH HIS OWN TEAM,

which he will do and take his chances with them at Creedmoor.

Apropos of this subject it would be well to bear in mind the fact that the Crescent City team entertainment takes place to-morrow at the Old Lake End, commencing at 2 p. m. and lasting until late at night.

The programme, already given, includes boat racing, rifle target practice, trap shooting at glass balls, artillery practice, firing with a Gatling gun and a *soiree dansante*.

It may be possible, also, that some of the Philadelphia "melish" will have arrived here, on their celebrated run, by the time named, in which event they will be at once placed on exhibition.

Trains will be run from the Pontchartrain depot every twenty minutes, and it is expected that the attendance will "donate" amply enough to defray the expenses of the team to Creedmoor.

BILKED LEVI.

A Half Bottle of Champagne at the Richelieu.

Yesterday evening, about half-past 8 o'clock, a well dressed young man arrived in a buggy with two ladies at Mr. Richelieu's restaurant and ordered half a bottle of champagne, selecting the best brand. He came down stairs shortly afterwards with his companions, with whom he walked to their home, leaving his buggy at the door of the restaurant, telling Mr. Levi that he would soon return.

After a while Mrs. Levi noticed him sneaking along the dark side of the street and into his buggy, and called her husband.

Levi held on to the horse and demanded his two dollars and a half, while the stranger stated that he never was in Levi's house, and it must be all a mistake.

"No mistake," said Levi, and grabbed for the reins, when the man put his hand on his back pocket, which caused Levi to run into the house for an iron bar, while the Champagne-Charley drove off. Young Levi trotted after him shouting down Camp street, "Stop thief! he stole the horse! Police! Watch!" He ran down to the corner of Poydras, down Poydras to Tchoupitoulas street, and there the horse gave a long pull and was soon out of sight.

For two hours afterwards there was great excitement at the Richelieu over the loss of that half bottle of wine, which was not paid for by that fine gent with the red moustache, whom Levi will be able to identify again if he should return for another half bottle.

THE ARMY OF TENNESSEE.

Last evening, at Mechanics' Institute, the members of the Army of Tennessee Association met, Col. James Lingan in the chair.

Mr. John C. Golding being absent, Capt. N. T. N. Robinson acted as secretary.

The principal business before the Association was the consideration of the report of the committee on membership.

All the applications previously made had been acted upon. The report was adopted and the following members elected:

Henry Andry, Joseph A. Duval, John Pemberton, Jr., L. J. Freemore, Henry Gould, Wm. McVicker, P. O. Peyroux, Hugh Pierson, J. A. Ruiz, Pat. Sheehan, Chas. L. Sinclair, Louis Timon, John K. Renaud, Geo. S. Pettit, Ed. T. Manning, Wm. F. Hosmer, A. H. Clark, J. W. Noyes, David Hughes, Geo. B. Childress, M. B. Childress, Fred. Ernest, Wm. H. Renaud.

The attention of the association was then called by a member to a destitute soldier, and the president requested that an application should be made to the executive committee, which would meet it with prompt attention. The president took occasion to remark that the executive committee would be glad to receive at any time applications from deserving ex-members of the Army of Tennessee; that it was the desire and intention of that committee to make it an active and efficient instrument of charity toward the disabled or indigent who properly came within the scope of its ministrations.

The attention of the finance committee was called to a large accumulation of unpaid dues. It was explained that the necessary delay in the committee on membership had left many persons in doubt as to their election, and hence they had not settled: The committee was instructed to push the collection with energy, and notify the members to come forward with their initiation fees and monthly dues, to the end of enabling the association to carry out its charitable purposes.

The meeting then adjourned until Tuesday evening, the 14th of August next, when the further report of the executive committee will be read.

That Yacht Match Race.

We are informed that the owner of the crack little yacht Adelia has expressed himself willing to sail a match race with the Maggie for a thousand dollars a side; nothing less, however, for he would have to bring the Adelia from Bay St. Louis, where she has gone since the regatta.

In this connection we might add that the owner of the Maggie stated to us the other day that he was not particular as to the place where the race should take place, and that he might be even induced to make the run from New Orleans to Galveston. Let's have that match by all means.

Fell from a Gallery.

At half-past 12 o'clock yesterday a negro boy, aged eight years, named Albert Erlmeires, fell from the back gallery of the third story of the brick house No. 39 Burgundy street. The boy was attended by a physician, who pronounced his injuries not dangerous.

Sent Down.

H. G. Gernon, charged with shooting and wounding Chas. Brown, at the Lake End, with intent to commit murder, and Pat Collins, with being an accessory before and after the fact, were yesterday before Judge Smith on a preliminary examination. After hearing the testimony, his Honor sent the principal before the Superior Criminal Court under $500 bail, and discharged the accessory.

THE COURTS.

Second District Court.

In the case of John T. Pettigrew vs. Mr. and Mrs. M. Nugent, Judge Tissot rendered judgment yesterday. It was a suit for a partition. On the 12th of April, 1877, plaintiff filed a petition for possession of certain property, which is nothing less than a suit in the nature of a declaration of trespass and a demand of ejectment against defendant. Defendant excepts. It is clear that plaintiff cannot engraft such a suit on this petition. This court has no jurisdiction of a case for trespass and in ejectment, and such jurisdiction cannot be given to it in the manner sought or otherwise. The exception of defendants was maintained.

Fifth District Court.

E. W. Burbank has filed a petition in this court against J. H. Oglesby for the settlement of their partnership affairs. The plaintiff alleges that the partnership between himself and Oglesby was dissolved some time since, but in the settlement the books were not properly kept and he was charged with more of the debts than he should have been.

The Police Board.

The Police Board met at 6 o'clock last evening, Dr. Kennedy in the chair.

Patrolmen Jas. Capo and Thos. Ferguson, Third Precinct, for sitting down together on their beats, were fined five days' pay.

Patrolman O. H. Long, Third Precinct, for brutally beating a woman while having her a prisoner at the station, was dismissed from the force.

Patrolman F. Clew, Harbor Precinct, for neglect of duty, was fined five days' pay.

Supernumerary J. Scully was dismissed from the force for conduct unbecoming an officer and neglect of duty.

This being all the cases to be tried, the board then adjourned.

Coroner's Inquest.

Coroner Roche, last evening, resumed the inquest in the killing of Louis Sincer, on the Canal Street and Lake Railroad.

Several witnesses were examined, and the evidence went to show that the youth was stepping from one car to the other on the same train, and lost his life owing to the fact that one of the cars had no platform.

The inquest was continued until Monday evening next.

Watermelons.

Over five thousand watermelons were brought to this city yesterday from Alabama, all of the Mexican zebra species, the most delicious of the watermelon family. We have never seen this beautiful fruit so rich and lucious as it is this summer nor so abundant.

Fire.

At half-past 5 o'clock last evening a fire, caused by a defective flue, broke out in the roof of the house No. 462 Fulton street. This property, which was owned by Mr. Gobbler and occupied by Chas. Jacques, was damaged to the extent of $40. Whether this house was insured or not could not be ascertained.

Sunstroke.

At 6 o'clock last evening a man named Harry Hall, aged 47 years, was sunstruck on the levee, from the effects of which he died at his residence, corner of St. Louis and Claiborne streets.

Summer Oysters.

It has been a popular superstition for some centuries past that oysters eaten in months without an r are pernicious and not to be trusted. J. P. Zatarain is now proving the contrary to a hungry public. His oysters, of which he has an innumerable lot on hand, are almost as good and fat as winter oysters, and as salt as the briny waters of the sea can make them. Amateurs can try it any day at No. 17 Royal street.

Brevities.

The ship Governor Morton was sold yesterday as "old horse" for $2500. The anchors and chains were sold for $132.

Some one said it was wiping hot yesterday.

Jackson Steam Fire Engine Company No. 18 give their grand anniversary ball at Grand Hotel, Point Clear, on the 4th inst.

On Sunday the Nicholls Base Ball Club met and defeated the "9 Stars" by the score of 18 to 12.

Short Items.

A. C. Christopher, alias Santa Anna, charged with being an accessory to the cutting and wounding of Emile Lazard and W. Riley, was discharged by Judge Smith on this charge, but sent to the Parish Prison for thirty days for being a dangerous and suspicious character.

John Doyle and H. West, charged with cutting and wounding W. Riley and Emile Lazard, were honorably discharged by Judge Smith. Riley, the prosecuting witness, was sent to the Parish Prison on a supposed contempt of court for refusing to tell which of the accused stabbed him.

At a quarter to 6 o'clock last evening a boy named Pascal Compatera accidentally fell into the river from off a lugger lying at the foot of St. Philip street, but was rescued from drowning by Salvadore Speosetoni.

W. Hawkins, charged with crime against nature, was y