STATE PRINTING.

MEETING OF THE BOARD YESTERDAY—PROTEST FROM SPEAKER BUSH.

The Board Unanimously Elect Geo. W. Dupre as State Printer—His Address.

The members of the State Printing Board held a short consultation in the office of the Speaker of the House yesterday, and then met in the Executive office, where the board was called to order by Gov. Nicholls, there being present Lieut Gov. Wiltz, Speaker Bush, Senator Robertson and Representatives Lamare and Leonhard.

The Governor requested Mr. Lamare to act as secretary because of the absence of Senator Steven, after which his Excellency stated that the only business before the board was the

ELECTION OF A STATE PRINTER.

Notice had been given, he said, in the papers, and if there were any persons present who desired to become candidates, let them make it known.

Speaker Bush said that before that was done he would ask the permission of the board to present a protest, and desired that it should be made a part of the record. He desired it to go upon the minutes to show his own ideas. The protest was then read by the Speaker, as follows:

The State of Louisiana:

I, Louis Bush, Speaker of the House of Representatives, as such member of the Printing Board created by Act No. 49, approved March 12, 1877, do hereby and herein protest against the course pursued by the Board in awarding the printing contract to be entered into on the 31 inst., for the following reasons, viz:

1. Because by refusing to invite offers on the basis of the resolutions presented by me last Tuesday, which resolutions are hereto annexed, open competition has been denied.

2. Because the mode adopted is contrary to the spirit and intent of the legislation of 1877, which sought by every proper means to lessen the burdens of the people by diminishing the public expenditures, and that mainly by inviting and allowing free and open competition, as evinced—

First—By the 19th section of said Act No. 49, prohibiting police juries and municipal corporations, including the city of New Orleans, from awarding any contract for printing otherwise than to the *lowest bidder*.

Second—By Act 100, extra session, relative to publishing the decisions of the Supreme Court, wherein a *bonus* is required and was obtained.

Third—By Act 101, extra session, relative to registration, wherein it is required that all the necessary printed blanks, etc., shall be let out by the Printing Board to the *lowest bidder*.

Fourth—By Act 117, relative to obstructions in Red river, wherein when the work is to be performed by contract, it is to be let out to the *lowest bidder*.

Fifth—By Act 140, relative to levees, which imposed upon the Governor the duty of letting out contracts to the *lowest bidder*.

Wherefore I submit this protest and ask that it be placed of record as part of the minutes of the Board.

Done and signed this the first of December, 1877. LOUIS BUSH.

There having been no objection made the protest was made a part of the minutes.

The Governor remarked, after the reading had been completed, that his own opinion upon the subject was unchanged, but that he did not care about taking any action in the matter. He remarked that nominations were in order.

Senator Robertson placed in nomination the name of George W. Dupre.

Gov. Nicholls stated that he had a communication which was addressed to him as Governor, and which he handed to the secretary to read.

The communication was signed by T. G. Tracy, Esq., of the

REPUBLICAN PRINTING COMPANY,

announcing in substance that the New Orleans Republican Printing Company, after an examination of the printing act, would do all of the printing at the rates specified, and would enter into contract and perform the duties, giving the necessary bond, etc. The rates specified were: For the laws, $2 for the first 500 copies and 20 cents each additional; reports, $1 75 for 100 copies and 20 cents each additional; journals, bills, etc., $2 50 for 200 copies and $1 for each additional 100; on all blanks a discount of 25 per cent; official journal, advertising, etc., 70 cents and 15 cents; binding as per paragraph 8, the State to pay for the

BINDING AND STITCHING.

The Governor asked how those rates compared with the others.

Mr. Leonhard replied that the committee rates were 4 per cent less on the first item, and that in the journal of the House the committee rates were 2 per cent less, but for the first 250 copies the offer was for $1 per page, while the committee had established 70 cents. For the rule and figure work the committee said 80 cents per 1000 ems, and this offer was $1. For printed blanks the offer says a reduction of 25 per cent from the bill, and that in two or three instances was less than the committee's estimate, while the binding and stitching was entirely

OUT OF THE GENERAL USAGE.

They said, he continued, that they would charge one cent per page additional for 100 copies, at which rate it would be an expense of $200, when no such work was described in the bill.

Senator Robertson—The bid is higher then?

Mr. Leonhard—Yes, it is higher than ours except in one or two instances. In one they say 70 cents per square for advertising and 15 cents for each subsequent insertion, when ours is 70 and 25. In the bills and resolutions we say $2, and they say $2 50.

The Governor—As a whole how does it compare?

Mr. Leonard—As a whole

IT IS HIGHER.

We reduced the prices from 10 to 25 per cent for the blank work, and the prices fixed by the committee are lower than the others. The difference in the journals of the House and Senate is fifty cents per page for the first 250 copies, and two cents per page for each additional 100 copies.

Speaker Bush—What is the difference between the former prices received by the *Republican* under the former administration and those offered now?

Mr. Leonhard—In the official journal there is a difference of 43⅔ per cent, for printing laws 62½ per cent, for advertising 64 per cent, and in other items from 30 to 70 per cent, making an average all told of a difference of 60 per cent, as compared with the old prices.

The Governor—Well, what shall we do?

Speaker Bush—I move we proceed to an election.

The secretary read a letter, addressed to the board, from Geo. W. Dupre, of the New Orleans DEMOCRAT, submitting his name as a candidate.

Senator Robertson renewed his nomination of Geo. W. Dupre.

The Governor—Under the resolution the nomination of Geo. W. Dupre is made as State Printer. All in favor of that nomination, say "aye."

Speaker Bush moved that a record of the votes be made, the principal reason being that he wanted the letter of Mr. Tracy to be considered an application, and desired that it be preserved in order to show in the future the difference between what

THEY PROPOSED TO DO NOW

and what they had received formerly.

The vote was then taken. Gov. Nicholls, Lieut. Gov. Wiltz, Speaker Bush, Senator Robertson and Representatives Lamar and Leonhard voting for George W. Dupre, or, in other words, a unanimous vote for the DEMOCRAT.

Mr. Dupre then appeared and addressed the Board as follows:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Board—I come before you as the representative of the New Orleans DEMOCRAT. I have read and heard the proceedings of this board. Having filled the office of State Printer during the first year of your administration, Mr. President, conscientiously, and as I trust satisfactorily, I had no reason to fear a reconsideration of the action of this board last year. That being the case, I have prepared the following, which, with your permission, I now read. I and my associates are deeply sensible of the honor that you have done us in electing me State Printer. But before I accept the trust you have tendered, imposing grave responsibilities and delicate relations to the State Administration, I deem it proper to lay before you, briefly as possible, the ideas we entertain of our obligations and relations.

The DEMOCRAT claims to be a party paper; it was established as such; it has been conducted as such, and, while it is in the hands of its present proprietors, it will be conducted as such.

I and my associates believe that this is a government of parties, and that it is only through the medium of parties that State and Federal administrations can carry out their policies. That party associations and factions are identical, is a fallacy that has been of late years advanced and inculcated by empirical and illogical journals and politicians. No political theory could be more dangerous to free institutions, or give more power to ambitious and unscrupulous politicians. Party organization combines men in a common purpose, upon common principles, for the common good; whereas, by the new and heterodox theory termed "Independence," all political connections are dissolved and the people, without concert, order or discipline, are incapacitated to resist encroachments upon their rights and liberties. When good citizens adopt the loose ideas of Independence in politics, and disperse, as it were, bad men adopt the vigorous agencies of party discipline and combine to carry out their ideas and advance the personal fortunes of their own chiefs.

An illustrious statesman has said that duty demands that what is right should be made prevalent, and he affirms that the only agency by which to perform that duty is party organization.

These, Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, are, very briefly, the views of myself and associates in the DEMOCRAT, and it is upon this theory that we are publishing a party paper.

And permit me to say, gentlemen of the board, that these views are in direct antagonism to what is known as personal organism. Conducting a political journal upon the theory I have laid down, we can never publish a paper that will be the organ of any individual or official, or the servile mouthpiece of any administration. The DEMOCRAT aspires to be the friend and representative of the people of Louisiana, and, if it is that, it must, of necessity, be the organ of that administration elected by the people, possessing the confidence and affection of the people, and which has done so much to advance the interest, honor and happiness of Louisiana.

I desire to say, Mr. President and gentlemen, that we do not desire to hold such relations to the Administration that all our utterances will be accepted as the official utterances of the Administration. We could not do that without surrendering that high and manly independence which can alone render party journalism useful to the people, and without accepting the servile and unmanly office of simply reproducing the ideas and views of gentlemen in office. Our own sense of self-respect; our own sense of duty to the people of Louisiana, which, permit me to say, overrides with us every other consideration, would force us to refuse this contract if it were offered upon such terms.

I know, however, Mr. President, that this board would not tender it to us under any such stipulations, and that you, as the head of the government, would scorn to hold official relations with a journal which could be made a mere reflex of your administration, when it should be the organ of the people of Louisiana.

Mr. Chairmen and gentlemen, I have endeavored to present as clearly as possible the theory upon which the DEMOCRAT has been and will continue to be conducted. It is right and proper that we should fully understand our relations to each other if I accept this contract. It is right for you to know that the DEMOCRAT will support the State Administration in every instance, and in every particular, and upon every question upon which the DEMOCRAT can conscientiously agree with the administration. And it is just to myself and associates to say that the DEMOCRAT will go no further than that; nay, not for all the printing contracts in the Union. It is just to myself and associates to say that the DEMOCRAT will under no circumstances be the personal organ of any living man; and that its first, last and only purpose will be, as it has been, to advocate and maintain what its conductors believe to be the interests of the people. And, gentlemen, let me say in conclusion, that the policy I have outlined will be pursued by the DEMOCRAT whether you confirm the vote just given or not.

Gentlemen, you owe nothing to the DEMOCRAT and the DEMOCRAT owes nothing to you, save that cordial, honest and manly support which may be due to the faithful, conscientious members of a Democratic administration; and that, I assure you on the honor of a man, representing honorable men, you will receive, whether you confirm the vote you have just cast or withdraw it.

Mr. Leonhard moved that the president appoint a committee of two to

DRAW UP THE CONTRACT

with Geo. W. Dupre.

Lieut. Gov. Wiltz amended by adding that the committee be authorized to consult with the Attorney General. As amended the motion prevailed.

The president appointed the committee that served last year, viz: Col. Bush and Mr. Leonhard.

Speaker Bush stated that he did not believe there was any question resulting from the address of the party elected. He had, he said, placed his views before the board, which were very proper, as the Speaker supposed.

Gov. Nicholls remarked that there was no question relating to an official organ in the matter that he could see. He did not see that the vote taken required any reconsideration.

The minutes of the previous meetings held were then read and approved, and on motion of Lieut. Gov. Wiltz the board adjourned subject to call.

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ST. BARBARA.

We have received an invitation from Col. John Glynn, Jr., of the Louisiana Field Artillery, to attend a grand military mass, to be celebrated at the St. Louis Cathedral, on Sunday, the 9th inst., in honor of St. Barbara, the patron saint of cannoneers. A collection will be taken during the service for the benefit of the St. Mary's Orphan Asylum, which is sadly in need of help.

St. Barbara, according to some accounts, suffered martyrdom at Heliopolis, in Egypt, at the hands of her own father, who was a bigoted heathen and offered himself as the executioner of his own daughter in dudgeon of her having embraced Christianity. No sooner had the unnatural father accomplished the murderous deed but he was struck by lightning.

St. Barbara has, ever since the invention of gunpowder, been adopted as a patron saint of artillery and her image reverently placed on arsenals and powder magazines. In the French navy the powder magazine still retains the name of "Ste. Barbe."

In the old ante-bellum days, when the battalion of Orleans artillery was a feature of our militia organization, St. Barbara's feast was always punctiliously observed and salutes were fired in honor and reverence of her memory by the artillerists.

St. Barbara's Day comes on the 4th of December, but will be celebrated by our cannoneers on the Sunday following. We hear that the Orleans Artillery will also celebrate the day by attending High Mass in a body at the Jesuits' Church on Baronne street and firing a salute. We are happy to see that under the new regime of liberated Louisiana the legendary customs of olden times are coming to the surface. It is only by the poetical respect paid to the ennobling memories of the past that the hallowed traditions of honor are kept alive.

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MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

DIFFERENCES ABOUT ASSESSMENT ROLLS.

The State Auditor Wants Them Made by Representative Districts.

A few days ago Administrator Rengstorff turned over the assessments to Auditor Jumel, who, however, declined to receive them formally, the reason given, we understand, being that the rolls are not made by representative districts, as is usual.

Mr. Rengstorff, however, contends that he has complied strictly with the provisions of the revenue act, which authorizes him to divide the city into assessment districts, and refers to the following, section 83 of the act, which reads as follows: "Be it further enacted, etc., That the said assessors so appointed shall constitute a board of assessors for the parish of Orleans under the supervision of the Administrator of Assessments, who shall be ex-officio a member and presiding officer of said board, and they shall immediately after the passage of the act commence the work of assessing the property of the parish *as directed* by the said Administrator of Assessments."

Mr. Rengstorff

FURTHER CLAIMS

that nowhere in the act is there any mention made to "representative districts" in connection with city assessments, nor even in connection with country assessments. As divided by Mr. Rengstorff the city contains sixteen assessment districts. Five of these districts are contained within the First Municipal District, in which there are only three representative districts. The Second and Third Municipal Districts are each divided into two assessment districts, whilst each contain three representative districts. This, the administrator says, was done for the better convenience of the board, and, he adds, that it cannot be objected to. Each municipal district has its own tax collector, and no assessment district is comprised within two municipal districts, so that the tax collectors cannot be embarrassed in the performance of their duties.

THE ST. PAUL CONVENTION.

The Mayor has received a circular from the committee of nine of the St. Paul Convention, of which Ex-Gov. Brown, of Missouri, is chairman, communicating officially the objects of the committee and embodying a request for assistance to defray the expenses of the committee while prosecuting their endeavors with the officials in Washington to obtain appropriations for the improvement of the Mississippi and its levees.

DRAINING ITEMS.

Administrator McCaffrey has for some time past been engaged in draining the vicinity of the ridge cemeteries of surface water by means of sluices leading into the New Canal. The neighborhood of the Magnolia Garden, at the Bayou St. John, has been similarly attended to, and Mr. McCaffrey proposes shortly, also, to establish drains at the foot of Esplanade street, near the bridge, which is sadly in need of improvement of this kind.

The committee appointed to inquire into the complaints made against the contractor of the Melpomene drainage machine visited the machine on Friday, and also made inquiries regarding the alleged failure of the contractor to keep the water down in the canals in his district. The committee will make their report to the Council on Tuesday next.

THE HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY.

Commander Pattison, Chief of the Coast Survey, has declined to join the Hydrographic Commission, on the grounds that he has a distinct mission, and that the money appropriated for the coast survey cannot be diverted to any other purpose.

In this connection it might be said that the hydrographic survey of the Mississippi will not be as expensive as might be thought. A recent survey of the Baltic by the officers of the Swedish navy with three vessels of war, comprising 1800 observations from 200 different stations, and covering 23 English miles, cost only $2500.

CUSTOM-HOUSE NOTES.

THE COLLECTORSHIP MUDDLE—SHERMAN TO BE APPEALED TO.

Norton Confirmed as Supervising Inspector—Pitkin's Friends Taking Courage.

The Custom-Housers were more than jubilant on Saturday morning over the

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON,

and, as a matter of course, the congregation of office seekers was largely increased, as the average "out" saw in the dim distance something in the shape of an official peg upon which he could hang his hat and coat.

The matter as to who becomes the Collector in the interim has not yet been definitely settled to the satisfaction of Collector King or Special Deputy Anderson, and to arrive at a definite conclusion a telegraphic inquiry has been or will be forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury. Supervising Inspector of Steamboats Geo. L. Norton has a telegram dated Saturday morning, and from an authentic source, announcing that his nomination

HAS BEEN CONFIRMED,

and he is, therefore, with his friends, quite happy. Another dispatch received from a prominent Republican in Washington, in referring to the United States marshalship, says, "If Wharton is not confirmed, Pitkin's suspension ends with the extra session or on the first Monday in December." The same party says he believes the President will re-appoint Wharton, and adds: "If Wharton is renominated he must be confirmed before he can act," which leads some of Pitkin's friends to the belief that he will yet secure, for a time at least, his old position.

Kellogg's friends now can be counted by the score in and about the Granite Building, and some of them assert that once in, he can't

BE ROOTED OUT

by less than a two-thirds vote. They say, too, he is opposed to the confirmation of Lawrence as Collector, and will labor for Packard with all his strategy and trickery.

Some of those who pretend to know still cling to the idea that Lawrence had the *quasi* support of Messrs. Anderson and Wells in securing his nomination, and they are equally confident now that Packard won't care much about dividing patronage with them, should he get in.

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THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

As will be seen by the advertisement in another column, a sociable and concert will be given by the Ladies' Aid Society on Thursday and Friday evenings next, at Felicity Street Church, for the purpose of raising funds to repair the church. As the admission fee is but a trifle, it is hoped that the worthy enterprise will be encouraged by a liberal attendance. Refreshments will be furnished reasonably and the musical performances will be conducted by popular amateurs and professors. The concert will be given Thursday night. We may add that the ladies of this society are noted for the genial character of their entertainments on all occasions.

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AMUSEMENTS.

MASSANIELLO.

We venture with a considerable degree of uncertainty into a short reviewal of Donizetti's "Dumb Girl of Portici" (Massaniello), as performed by the opera troupe last evening. The opera had been originally announced for the matinee yesterday, but during the week the management of the Varieties deemed proper to have it sung at night. Like all changes, this had the effect of creating a confusion, and hence the auditorum was not as well filled as usual since the Fryer-Pappenheim troupe have begun their series of operatic entertainments. There was a lack of that enthusiasm which inspires the actor to the utmost efforts to please. Then the evening was very cold, and must have kept many at home who might otherwise have attended the performance, for "Massaniello" has always been a popular opera among our dilettante. Again, Pappenheim was not in the bills. All these circumstances may have influenced us, for we are about saying that we did not find that the singers displayed all the ardor and talent at certain periods of the play which we expected of them. The grand duo of the second act between *Massaniello* (Chas. Adams) and *Pietro* (H. Wiegand), for example, was not up to the standard of excellence that was manifested by these singers on the previous night in the "Huguenots." Possibly, however, the bare mention of the fact that they had sung trying roles on Friday night should be sufficient apology for their deficiencies last evening. Mr. Wiegand's barcarole of the fifth act was sung with effort and evidenced a fatigued voice. On the other hand it will be agreed on all sides that "La Romance du Sommeil," or, to be more precise the first verse of this romanza, was sung by Mr. Adams in such an artistic manner, that had he not already convinced us in "Trovatore" of his great qualities as a singer, we would have been impelled to acknowledge it to-day without reserve.

We are not forgetful of the compliments that are due to the lady and gentlemen choristers for the important part they took in the opera. "The Prayer" of the second act was admirably sung by them, and honors their leader, Mr. Maretzek.

Miss Elizabeth Minzolli played the part of Fenella, the dumb girl, with intelligence and no little effect.

To-night Weber's "Freyschutz (*Robin des Bois*) will be sung, with Pappenheim, Miss Cooney, Chas. Fritsch, Wiegand, Blum, Gross and Adolphe in the cast. On Monday the great work of Wagner, "Lohengrin," will be presented for the first time in this city, when we are promised also some fine stage effects.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.

Macallister, with his feats in magic and the one hundred presents that are distributed at every performance, drew an immense audience at the matinee yesterday, and at night the auditorium was quite as well filled. To-night again one hundred presents will be given away.

MISS GENEVIEVE ROGERS.

This young actress, who last year offered us such a charming and life-like picture of Maud Muller, begins a one week engagement at the Academy of Music to-night in the same play. Miss Rogers will be supported by Frank E. Aikens' Dramatic Company. During the week "Bons," or "Love Works Wonders," will be presented by Miss Rogers and the company.

LA CLOSERIE DES GENETS.

To-night the "Club Dramatique Louisianais" give a performance at the Opera House for the benefit of Mrs. Marie Vezian. All those who retain any memories of the past remember Mrs. Vizian as one of the most correct and conscientious dramatic artists that the New Orleans stage has ever known. Since the downfall of the legitimate French drama here, she has always been foremost to help our young amateurs in their efforts to interpret the masterpieces of the French dramatists, and whenever charity made a call upon her, her services have always been freely and spontaneously tendered. We hope that the Opera House will be crowded to-night.

CUT OFF IN HIS YOUTH.

Last Monday were laid away in the grave the remains of a young man, well known and greatly beloved by all in this community who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. William J. Agar, the son of Mr. William Agar, one of the most prominent and highly esteemed of our merchants, was a cadet at the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington, in which "Stonewall" Jackson was a Professor, and of which Robt. E. Lee was the president. He fell a victim to a disease which quickly carried him off, and his mortal remains were brought here, the place of his nativity, for interment. A young man of brilliant promise, genial disposition and most attractive qualities, his loss is most seriously felt, not only by his relatives but by a very large circle of admiring and appreciative friends. The funeral was very largely attended, and the floral offerings were most profuse and beautiful. Among these we noticed a cross, a crown and a wreath—all in a remarkable good state of preservation—sent as a tribute of affection and respect by his fellow cadets at the Lexington Institute. His bereaved parents have our heartfelt sympathies and condolence.

BREVITIES.

We are obliged to our friends of the Ogden Park for an invitation to attend the base ball games during the season.

On Sunday night, the 9th inst., the Club Dramatique et Social No. 1, will give a performance at the Opera House.

The U. A. O. D. give a complimentary anniversary ball at Exposition building on Saturday, the 8th inst.

Mr. Tim H. Draper, well known in journalism, proposes to immediately issue, in poster form, a comprehensive "State and City Guide and Directory," which will at a glance furnish interesting information needed by business men. Only two columns will be devoted to advertisements, and the publisher hopes, by his exceedingly low rates, to make the project successful.

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THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Frigerio, of Chartres street, (whose neighbors now style him Frigidity,) reports that the mercury on Friday night got down as low as thirty degrees above zero—an inch or two below the freezing point—and remained there until after daylight Saturday morning. At 8 o'clock in the morning it had risen two points and at 2 and 6 p. m. was steady at 40.

THE SIGNAL TELEGRAMS

received last evening report a light snow at Pittsburg, and the following as the temperature at the points named: St. Paul, 23 degrees above zero; Davenport, 28; Dubuque, 28; Lacrosse, 29; Keokuk, 29; St. Louis, 32; Cairo, 33; Memphis, 34; Vicksburg, 42; Omaha, 31; Leavenworth, 35; Pittsburg, 27; Cincinnati, 29; Louisville, 30; Galveston, 43; Indianola, 46; Corsicanna, 47; Shreveport, 42; Savannah, 49; Mobile, 43, and Key West, 59.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

A course of four sermons, addressed especially to the young, will, D. V., be preached by the Rev. H. H. Waters on the Sunday evenings in Advent—the first this evening, on "The Story of Esau and His Rejection."

Read C. E. Girardey's calendar of auction sales of choice city real estate, farm and plantation property advertised to take place on Thursday and Saturday next, at the St. Charles Auction Exchange, for succession and foreign account. Those seeking safe and productive investment should not fail to attend. For terms and full particulars see descriptive advertisements and plans at the office of the auctioneer and at sale.

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A FINE TRACK AND A BIG TEAM IN THE FIELD.

How the Favorites Came Out.

Whether the thermometer told the truth yesterday or not, those who had occasion to be out of doors pronounced it to be "deuced cold." Hackmen drew up their spare robes about them, and wandering street dogs tremblingly drew up into sunny corners, in order to secure, if possible, a warm place. It was emphatically a cold day.

As 2 o'clock came around it was noticeable that the wonted number of private teams were not on the road to the track, and the passengers in the street cars were not out in numbers. The sun came out brilliantly about noon, but its warmth did not affect much the severity of the cold. It was a foregone conclusion that it could not be a ladies' day, as was expected, and so our turfmen settled themselves down to the sad conclusion that they would have to take in the sports offered by the Louisiana Jockey Club by themselves. Canal street, that is usually enlivened on occasions of this kind, was most lonely, and save here and there a solitary cab, there was nothing to raise the shell dust of its roadway. Fall meetings of our jockey clubs in the past have not been, as a rule, very successful, owing to the fact that the ladies, except only the most daring of them, do not care to face the chilling blasts of a December afternoon.

Yesterday was no exception to the rule, and the attendance was not as large as could be desired. When President Breaux sounded the bell calling the horses from the stables, there was a very slim show on the stand.

THE TRACK

was firm and rather hard. The cold night had served to render the subsoil much stiffer than usual, and the upper crust was very thin. It was not what could be called a fast track, although a safe one.

THE HURDLE RACE.

The first event of the day was the two mile skip over eight hurdles, and the entries were Lambay, Dick Adams, Typhoon, Jim Hinton, Ten Pin, Redding and Port Leonard.

When the horses came to the paddock it was evident that most of them looked the worse for their summer's wear. The racing they had been put through had had its effect, and clean barrels and thin limbs were the order of the day. Typhoon, upon whom many looked for a winner, came out in good form, but had a little too much leg for a jumper. Some surprise was expressed that such a colt should be taken by Mr. Keene Richards from the flat to be put into hurdle racing after his splendid performances.

The patience of President Gus A. Breaux was severely taxed in effecting a start, as jockeying seemed to be the order of the day with some of the riders. After several attempts they all got off in tolerable order, Port Leonard leading by a good length, with Lambay second and Redding a close third, the rest closely bunched at the first hurdle. They all took the brush in this order and down the turn for the second, old Port Leonard pushed boldly forward and took the lead. There was nothing particularly interesting in the race saving Port at the third hurdle dropped in a little and got second place for a short time, and Jim Hinton made one or two challenges for the front, without success, however. At the second hurdle the rider of Dick Adams, contary to the injunction of President Breaux, found a soft place in the track, and left his saddle, without damage, however, to wind or limb. On the first mile coming by the stand Port Leonard led, Redding second, Lambay third, Typhoon fourth, Ten Pin fifth, and Jim Hinton nowhere. The second turn was uninteresting, Port carrying off the honors easily and winning the race by two lengths in 3:56½.

THE SLOCOMB STAKES

excited perhaps more attention than any of the other events of the day. Colt races are always uncertain, because the entries are generally maiden, and it is only by pedigree that one can form an estimate of their respective merits. The stakes were for a mile dash, and the entries were Momentum, Duncan F. Kenner, Mary R., Tickler, Capt. Fred Rice, Bonnie Barrouge, Jim Bell and Mischief. When the drum tapped Jim Bell jumped to the front, with Duncan F. Kenner at his heels. Swinging around the turn, Mary R. took the course and lead, hotly pursued by Kenner, Jim Bell and Mischief third, the rest well behind.

Momentum on the back stretch made a desperate spurt, but Mary was too much for him, and she came home gallantly in 1:47½, a winner, Duncan F. Kenner second, and Mischief third. This race was a very pretty one, and for colts, during such weather, was fast.

THE THIRD RACE

was for a club purse of $400, in mile heats, and six entries came to the post. They were Largenteen, Docility, Belle Isle, Janet, Ella Rowett and Incommode.

In the pools Largenteen was the favorite two to one against the field, but buyers were scarce and betting slow. Those who had taken in a soft thing in winning on Port Leonard in the hurdle race seemed satisfied, and few shekels were put up.

IN THE FIRST HEAT

a very good start was made, Ella Rowett getting to the fore, with Docility at her flank and Belle Isle third. Rounding into the back stretch Janet made a push forward, taking second place, which she did not keep very long, for Belle Isle ran up neck and neck with her. Down the back stretch the race was a very pretty one, for the horses were well bunched and the running was strong. Belle Isle gradually forged forward and down the home stretch showed his nose to the front, Ella Rowett giving up the heat and taking fifth place; the favorite, Largenteen, second; Docility third, Janet fourth, Incommode just inside the distance flag. Time—1:45.

SECOND HEAT.

The horses did not cool off in the paddock as well as could be wished. Largenteen looked as if there were bellows to mend in her shop, and she did not sweat as freely as could be wished. Belle Isle looked the better horse, and Ella Rowett appeared to be in much more proper trim than either. When they came to the scrach and were sent off, Janet, a very promising filly, took the lead only to hold it for a short time, for Belle Isle forced the pace and led the van around into the stretch near the stables with Largenteen second. When the six swung home Largenteen took the front easily, and carried off the heat in 1:46.

THE THIRD HEAT

was a very one sided affair; Largenteen and Belle Isle were the only horses winning a heat, and the rest were ruled out. When they were started Largenteen took the lead, and kept it, coming under the string an easy winner in a canter in 1:52.

There is one thing that in our opinion too little attention is paid to, and that is looking after the jockeys to see that their colors are according to rule. But few visitors know horses except by their mounts, and if the jockeys are not dressed according to rule mistakes in bets frequently occur.

With the field of runners now on the track we may confidently look forward to the most prosperous fall meeting we have had for years. The following are the summaries:

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB—FALL MEETING.

First Day.

First Race—Club purse $300, hurdle race; $200 to first, $75 to second, $25 to third. Two miles over eight hurdles.

Mike Welsh enters b. g. Port Leonard, aged, by Voucher, dam Prunella; 143 pounds.... 1
A. Keene Richards enters ch. c. Typhoon, 3 y. o., by War Dance, dam by Wagner; 118 pounds.... 2
Jennings & Hunt enter b. h. Lambay, 4 y. o., by Leamington, dam by Lexington; 132 pounds.... 3
Larry Hart enters ch. h. Redding, 5 y. o., by Harry of the West, dam by Joe Stoner; 139 pounds.... 0
C. Montgomery enters ch. h. Ten Pin, 4 y. o., by Pilgrim, dam by Lunatic; 132 pounds.. 0
Charles Byrne enters b. g. Jim Hinton, aged, by Rogers, dam Madam House; 143 pounds 0
F. W. Horn enters ch. g. *Dick Adams, 4 y. o., by Caswell, dam Fannie Bugg; 129 pounds 0
*Threw rider at second hurdle.

Time—3:56½.

Second Race—The Slocomb stakes for colts and fillies then two years old; $25 entrance, p. p., with $500 added; second horse to receive $75. One mile.

Wm. Cottrill enters c. f. Mary R., by Daniel Boone, dam Maggie G. by Brown Dick.... 1
Rice & Berthoud enter b. c. Duncan F. Kenner, by Gilroy, dam Nora Creener by Mahomet. 2
James A. Grinstead enters b. f. Mischief, by Gilroy, dam Mishap.... 3
James Davis enters (W. F. Gray's) ch. c. Jim Bell, by John Morgan, dam by Brown Dick.... 0
A. K. Richards enters b. c. Momentum, by War Dance, dam imp. Fleeting Moments by Bolingbroke.... 0
Wm. Cottrill enters b. g. Tickler, by Daniel Boone, dam Tick by Monte.... 0
Spencer & Bryant enter Capt. Fred Rice, by Rebel, dam by Rupee.... 0
James Surget enters Bonnie Barrouge, by Bonnie Scotland, dam Belle Buckle by Brown Dick.... 0

Time—1:47½.

Third Race—Club purse $400, second horse to receive $75. Mile heats.

A. K. Richards enters ch. f. Largenteen, 4 y. o., by War Dance, dam by Revil; 101 pounds; colors—silver gray and white stripes.... 2 1 1
J. L. Bowen & Co. enters b. f. Belle Isle, 3 y. o., by Bonnie Scotland, dam by Asteroid; 87 pounds; colors—blue trimmed with white.... 1 3 2
J. A. Grinstead enters b. f. Janet, 4 y. o., by Lightning, dam Kelpie; 101 pounds; colors—green jacket, red cap.... 4 2ro
Barkley & Huggins enters b. f. Ella Rowett, 3 y. o., by Uncle Vic, dam Mamona; 87 pounds; color—blue and blue.... 5 4ro
Ira E. Bride enters b. c. Docility, 3 y. o. by Hunters Lexington, dam by Carrie Casly; 90 pounds; colors—white jacket, orange cap.... 3 4ro
T. A. Gay enters b. c. Incommode, 3 y. o., by Melbourne, Jr., dam Income; 90 pounds; colors—orange jacket, orange and blue cap.... 6 *

* Hurt in second heat.

Time—1:45, 1:46, 1:52.

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CITY ECHOES.

Josephine Hall and Laura Fields spent a cold night in the Second Precinct Station, charged by Louisa Edwards with assault and battery.

Albert Monroe, a negro, was locked up in the Harbor Station, charged with assault and battery on Officer Lyons while in the discharge of his duty.

John Thomas, who had his leg crushed at Bayou Lafourche, was yesterday brought to this city on the steamer St. Mary and taken charge of by his friends.

At half-past 7 o'clock last evening a man named James Coffee accidentally fell into the river, and would have drowned had not Corporal Dwyer rescued him.

George Fostman was locked up in the Seventh Precinct Station, charged by Mrs. C. Hallinger with assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to kill and larceny of $2 75.

Michael Hadley, whose hair has been silvered by sixty dreary winters, was made a prisoner by Officer Faust and lodged in the Sixth Precinct Station, charged with being drunk and malicious mischief.

At half-past 9 o'clock last night a coal oil lamp exploded at the residence of Mr. John Herbert, on Valiette street, Algiers. The flames were extinguished with a damage of five dollars to the premises.

Ben Turner (color black) yesterday morning was rising to explain to Judge Miltenberger when this report closed, how it was that he happened to obstruct the banquette, insult and abuse and assault Officer Gallagher.

George Deno, who is recorded at the Third Precinct Station as a solicitor by occupation, was arrested at half-past 9 o'clock Friday night in the Vegetable Market, charged with being drunk, disturbing the peace, insult and abuse, and assault and battery with intent to kill.

S. W. Elliot, a candy maker, John Williams, a baker, and James Mack, alias Brackey, a cooper, were arrested at the corner of Royal and Customhouse, and lodged in the Third Calaboose by special Mike Hennessey, charged with being dangerous and suspicious characters.

At 9:30 Friday night three negroes were discovered attempting to effect an entrance into the steamboat office of the Bayou Lafourche packet company, on the Levee, head of Conti street. The thieves were pursued by officer Wheeler, who fired one shot at them, but failed to capture them.

Wm. Alexander was arrested and lodged in the Central Station, charged by S. Rosne with larceny of clothing and jewelry valued at $30. Officer J. H. Carey also arrested the prosecutor and locked him up for safe keeping. The man was perfectly sober and appears to be a responsible party, there being no ground for such a charge. It appears merely to have been a whim of the officer to deprive this man of his liberty, which should be investigated.

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A MOTHER'S SACRIFICE.

Heroic Conduct of a Victim to the Fire Fiend.

At 9 o'clock Saturday morning a most lamentable accident occurred at the residence of Mrs. Albert, located on Rocheblave street, between Dumaine and St. Ann, by which a mother and child came near being sacrificed by fire.

It appears Mrs. Albert was sitting in front of the fireplace, holding a young child in her arms, when a coal of fire fell from the grate on her dress. The lady saw it, but, being an invalid from rheumatism, was