

TO THE RETAIL

MUNICIPAL.

THE INSANE ASYLUM.

The official proceedings of the City Council, which met in regular session yesterday, will be found in its appropriate place in the columns of the Democrat this morning. It contains in full a report of Administrator Chevalier in reply to the accusations and insinuations of the late...

GRAND JURY concerning the City Insane Asylum. In connection with the report Administrator Chevalier presented to the Council a number of letters written to him by relatives of insane persons confined in the asylum, expressing their satisfaction at the treatment they receive there, and even making very favorable comparisons between that institution and other asylums of a similar kind.

THE PARK QUESTION. The hope that our city parks might be improved on the plan of a commission appointed, without expending a cent, is apparently blasted. It is rumored now that the Legislature will permit the city authorities to the Legislature to permit the city to divide the Crescent City Park—formerly the Focher property, in the Sixth District—into squares and lots for the purpose of selling the entire plot.

MAINTAINING PARKS In the upper districts, will not come forward with some plan or proposition to assist the city in this matter. As to the Orleans Park, on the Metairie ridge, there does not seem to be any desire at the hall to erect any improvement, although the attempt will cost nothing to the city. It looks altogether as though the administration is willing to lose a fine piece of property, which it might otherwise win with a little enterprise and thoughtfulness, by providing the laboring classes with healthful places of recreation during the summer months.

THE RIVER LANDING. Administrator Behan has begun an investigation of the complaints made on several occasions in the river column of the Democrat against the State wharves. Thus far, says the Administrator, he has only found that the complaints of the press are the result of misapprehension. In this case, which is still under his opinion until the investigation has been thoroughly made, when he will present a report of the facts to the Council.

THE MARKET WEEK. A number of the market men waited upon the Administrator of Commerce yesterday for the purpose of consulting with him in relation to the small rents in the various markets. It seems, as has been said on several occasions, that for years past the professional market farmers have maintained a formidable ring by which they managed to keep the rents at a high level, and to keep the revenues of all the markets of the city, shutting out competitors by over bidding on the value of certain markets. The loss that they might sustain in this manner would be easily made up by the combination who were in the habit of...

POOLING THE REVENUES. At the last sale, however, some outsiders purchased the stalls at a rate fixed by law, found that in some cases the butchers and vegetable vendors claimed that they were entitled to a larger share of the stalls, provided they were assisted in maintaining the appearance of small profits derived from the stalls. It is believed at the Hall that the city has, by the system of the combination, within a few years lost from \$250,000 to \$300,000 of the value of the market revenues.

THE SCHOOL QUESTION—ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR THE YEAR. Mr. Patton was informed yesterday by Mr. Ewers, superintendent of the city public schools, that eleven of the public schools had to be closed yesterday, because there was no coal with which to heat them. This is a condition of affairs, says the Mayor, which he will make a desperate effort to have corrected. With that determination he will wait upon the committee of education of the Legislature with data and evidence to show that the city of New Orleans is not treated equitably in the distribution of the State school fund.

OUTSIDE OF NEW ORLEANS. attend the public schools on an average of three months only in the year, whilst thirty 10,000 attend school during eight months and a half of the year, and yet over three-fifths of the contribution to the school fund is paid by the taxpayers of this city.

REGARDING THE STATEMENT OF THE NEW ORLEANS SCHOOL BOARD, showing that the requirements of the law to carry on the schools are \$12,000,000 of which amount \$50,000 is derived from the general State school fund, leaving a balance of \$11,950,000 to be provided for by the city of New Orleans, we had a chat yesterday with Administrator Glynn.

THE ADMINISTRATOR OF ACCOUNTS said that the school board must realize one fact, and that is that the two mills of the city revenues affected to the use of the city's public schools is limited by law, hence the city administration cannot supply the \$200,000 mentioned in the budget of expenses of the board; for two mills on the \$11,000,000 of assessable property in New Orleans will amount to only \$220,000.

It would seem therefore that either the school board must manage to run the schools on the \$200,000 appropriated for their use in the budget of the city for 1879, plus \$50,000 derived from the State fund, or a change in the appropriation from the State fund must take place.

TAXES AND LICENSES. The city tax bills will be ready for delivery to the Administrator of Finance some time this week, when taxpayers will be expected to rush to the City Hall to settle. The reason why the license tax is not coming more rapidly to the city treasury, says Administrator Isaacson, is probably because payers are engaged in making their purchases of city transfers of the years 1876, 1877 and 1878, with which, to the amount of 10 per cent, they may pay their obligations to the city.

ADMINISTRATORS ISAACSON AND GYNN as well as sanguine about the result of the license revenues, which they actually believe will exceed the estimate in the budget, by nearly, if not quite, \$100,000. This is certainly encouraging.

SIDEWALKS OUT OF ORDER. Mr. F. Gordon, superintendent Third District, Surveyor's office, made a midwinter against several parties for violating section 1 of ordinance No. 1225, Administration series, relative to the obstruction of sidewalks. Their names are: Mrs. Gomez, Dumaine, between St. Claude and Trempe; Gutting, Decatur, near Conti; and Mrs. J. B. Camors, Tchoupitoulas, near Fordard.

THE OLD FLAG. Among other attractive features of the military parade to-day will be the ancient flag of the Washington Artillery, upon which has recently been inscribed, by the artistic hand of...

Toby Hart, the names of the principal engagements in which the companies of the battalion participated during the Confederate war. They number sixty, beginning at Bull Run and ending at Appomattox Court-House.

JUDGMENT AGAINST THE NEW ORLEANS GAS-LIGHT COMPANY. In the Fourth District Court the case of the New Orleans Gaslight Company vs. the Board of Assessors was decided yesterday. The defendants have assessed the plaintiff corporation on the assessment rolls of 1878 for \$3,524,000. The company makes no objection to the assessment on lands, houses or vehicles, but says that its capital not invested in those articles is not \$3,026,200, but \$216,542 57.

THE ASSESSORS claim authority therefor under the revenue laws, and have assessed plaintiff on the capital stock. The corporation contends that it is liable only on its actual capital. Plaintiff has shown that its actual capital was \$2,000,000, and that it is liable only on that amount. The court has decided in favor of the corporation, and the assessment is reduced to \$1,000,000.

THE MARKET. The market for the week has been quiet and uneventful. The price of cotton has advanced slightly, while the price of sugar has declined. The price of flour has remained steady.

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AMUSEMENTS.

THE ST. CHARLES.

We are glad to notice that the audience improves in numbers nightly at the St. Charles to see the sensational play of the "Lottery of Life," which is well produced by Geo. La Bonifance and the St. Charles combination, and elegantly mounted by the St. Charles management.

THE MATINEE. To-day will doubtless draw largely, for the same play will be presented. Schoolcraft and Coes fill up an interesting bill with their songs, oddities and comicities. At the matinee they will be on hand again to excite laughter. By the way we thought that during the last week the combination, Schoolcraft would have appeared in his excellent German characterizations, but we see no announcement of the fact.

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SHOE TRADE

OF THE COUNTRY.

For many years the small shoe dealers of the country have been obliged to work on a ruinous system—that is, the dealers have been obliged to purchase shoes by the case and do so in order to complete their assortment. The inauguration of a new plan was necessary.

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