LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

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LETTER FROM AN OLD TOBACCO MERCHANT.

To the Editor of the Democrat:

Assuming that no one will dispute that fithas for an office ought alone to be considered in the selection of an incumbent thereof, and that when several are proposed for the same office, that one who has given proof of superior fitness should be selected, I have no hesitation in designating the present Lieutenant Governor, Hon. L. A. Wiltz, as pos-sessing that fitness. There are few men in Louisiana who have been more thoroughly tried than he, and the expectations of his constituents have never been disappointed.

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Moreover, many who at one period opposed his election to a given office, at another period advocated his election to the same office.

Mr. Witz has occupied many public positions and has always shown himself equal to their duties and emergencies. Is proof, I need only to refer to the ever-memorable occasion when, in January, 1875, the Louisiana Legislature was driven from the State-House by Federal bayonets. His impromptu protest on that occasion can hardly be equaled in the sublimity of its sentiments and the language in which they were conveyed. That protest deserves to be preserved in imperishable form and to be had in possession by wery one who can appreciate chivairic patriotism and who has a pust sense of the indignity to which the sovereign State of Louisiana was subjected by the Federal government.

Witz has been faithful in the discharge of all the public trusts confided to him. The contrary has never been alleged; nor can it be said that the numerous and continued honors which an admiring constituency have bestewed upon him, was easued in forces.

said that the numerous and continued honors which an admiring constituency have bestowed upon him, have eaused him to forget to be affable and courteous. No man can be more modest, notwithstanding the temptation to the contrary.

I conclude, therefore, that Louisiana does not contain a man who will make a better Governor than Louis A. Will...

AN OLD MERCHANT.

TERREBONNE PARISH.

The Action of the Executive Committee Governed by Precedent A Sharp Reply to "Ah Sin."

HOUMA, La., September 18, 1879.

To the Editor of the Democrat: Our attention was this day (by a Republican called to a communication in the New Orleans Times of this date, signed "Ah Sin." We never buy the Times, never read the Times and never look at the Times. The Republi-

Rouge, whoever they be.
Yours, truly,
DEMOCRATS ALL THE WAY THEOUGH.

THE IBERVILLE TRAGEDY.

Another Account of the Fatal Meeting Between Dr. Snell and Mr. Courtade.

[Iberville South.]

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Our community was absolved to bear on Monday working september 22.

And the orphans of Gen. Hood by attending a terror of Yours, by the O. D. A's working a february to the parish that does his life. The facts of the parish had loes his life. The facts of the parish had loes his life. The facts of the parish had loes his life. The facts of the parish had loes his life. The facts of the parish had loes his life. The facts of the parish had loes his life. The facts of the parish court, are as follows:

Some time in the beginning of last February, while Dr. A. B. Snell was sitting in his office, at Mr. Vialion's drug stores, in Bayer douls, reading a newspack from Mr. L. A. Ourtade, who abused the doctor with most violent lang age and accessed him of having insuted his wife. The doctor book the matter as cooling as possible under the circumstances, and in reply to Mr. Courtade's abuses and one; Mr. Courtade's abuses and one; Mr. Courtade's abuses and cance-sheds during the coming grinding standers, Dr. Snell would have received bediagh in the successed of the Catholic churchyard, branching him as a secondrel and a coward. One coasion Dr. Snell was warred away from the warrous possible of the Catholic churchyard, branching him as a secondrel and a coward. One coasion Dr. Snell was warred away from the warrous experit his profession of the present of the rights of person occasion Dr. Snell was warred away from the warrous experit his profession of the case, and a parties with the doctor was in the hadron of the profession of the profession

Dr. Snell knowing that a feud existed between him and Mr. Courtade expected a difficulty would occur, hence the warning. Dr. Snell, laboring under a continuous apprehension of danger, prepared himself to meet his adversary should be be attacked, but constantly avoided a meeting. On the morning of September 15, Dr. Snell was compelled to visit several sick patients in Bayou Goula. While on a visit to a Mr. Comeaux, who was quite iii, he was much surprised to see in the street Mr. L. A. Courtade, as it were, waiting for him. On getting into the street a colinquy ensued between the doctor and Mr. Courtade, which ended in both drawing pistols and both firing almost elimitancously. Mr. Courtade was wounded at the first fire, and he endeavored to retreat into the yard of Mrs. Landry. The doctor fired two more shots, the last of which we believe proved fatal. In a short time Mr. Courtade was a corpse, the whole affair not having lasted ten seconds, according to testimony of witnesses on trial before the court.

mat e Association Wednesday evening in a

manner never before seen in this city.

Chamber sets at Shepard's, 49 Camp street.

LOUISIANA CROPS.

IN IBERVILLE.

We have conversed this week with a number of planters from different sections of the parish, and from their different opinions we judge "there is life in the old land yet." All the small cane are gradually rising up from its flattened condition, and with propilious weather will produce good crops. The tailer cane is also recuperating fast, and only it isolated cases have we heard of much injury from sprouting.—[Iberville South. ON THE TECHE.

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We have been blessed with fine weather for the last two weeks. With the exception of one rainy day, we had no wet time since the first of the month. This has been most fortunate for the planters and farmers, whose fields suffered so severely by the great storm. Our agriculturists now speak much more cheerfully of their prospects. The little rain we had rather helped the cane, and did not materially retard the plexing, which is now very general. Here and there rust has done some damage, but the injury from this source in our section is not very widespread.

Loads of new cotton are appearing every day in the streets of New Iberia, and all the cotton gins in and about that town have as much work as they can attend to. The cane under the influence of these sunny days is rising from its recumbent position, and if we have no further drawback, will do well, if we are favored with two or three weeks of clear, dry weather. To secure the cotton our condition may not be so bad as it threatened to become earlier in the month. After the first week in October we can afford to endure a few showery days; they will be then needed to mature the cane, which will not turn out after all badiy, if it can get sunshine enough to rise from the ground.

The ramous professor Tice, the nostradamus of St. Louis, not discouraged by his numerous mistakes, had predicted a great storm for the sixteenth of this month. This prophesy had become known to the negroes, and we believe they never worked harder since the war, than they have done within the last two weeks to save their cotton from the treatened tempest. The in this moner has

GEN. HOOD'S CAMPAIGN

A Defense of it by Judge John H. Reagan.

Who was Responsible for it—Approval of the President and Cabinet-The Dead General's Services and Character.

(From an address delivered in Christ Church Gaiveston, on the occasion of the Hood Me-mortal ~ervices |

I must here speak of matters that I would willingly omit, if this could be done with propriety, and with justice to the memory of Gen. Hood, because they have been subjects of criticism and controversy among able and patriotic men, who have disagreed upon both

questions of fact and of policy.

When Gen. Johnston was falling back on Atlanta the attention of the President and Secretary of War was anxiously directed to krew him, and lived and died without the stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of the protect was a lathful brave, honest man, and a true Christian gentleman.

If it fell into the hands of the enemy he would be table to bisect our territory by that line, as he had done by the hill he had considered said. He had considered will he was married to the beautiful and account of the direct of the period of the same married. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of calumny. He was a stain of one breath of the protect that any stain of the protect without a reference to his donestic life. In the period of the care of his daughter of Aired the was a true of the period of his care of his of the period of he was a true of the period of the period of his care of his of treath of his period of his care of his of treath of his offered with all he was an army. Orders to that effect were forwards of that army. My remembrance is that their answers came to the President heart party simulations, to refer by this I mean at most within a few houls of each other—each suggesting fem. How for that some and both or her period of his care of his of treath of his offered with him and whit when he had some period of his care of his of the consideration of the safety of that place. It was regarded by them as the military key ly to relieve Gen. Johnston of that command and place some general at the head of that army who would give battle rather than abandon Atlanta. This the President had refused to do for some time on account of the inconvenience and danger of changing commanders in the midst of a campaign. But he finally determined, in view of what I have just mentioned, to relieve Gen. Johnston and to place Gen. Hardee in the command of that army. Orders to that effect were forwarded, but Gen. Hardee declined the command. When the President was advised of this he coused telegrams to be sent to Gen. Lee, in Northern Virginia, to Gen. Beauregard, in South Carolina, and to Gen. Bragg, then in Georgia, advising them of these facts, and asking the opinion of each of them as to what officer ought to be assigned to the command of that army. My remembrance is that their answers came to the President nearly simultaneously—by this I mean at most within a lew hours of each other—each suggesting Gen. Hood for that command, and he was at once directed to relieve Gen. Johnston.

Soon after this Gen. Hood fought the timportant but unsuccessful battle of Atlanta, and was compelled to retire before superior numbers.

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wife to keep on hand is a botte of spirits of turpentine. There are so many purposes for which it is almost indespensable that it is wise to have it on hand. It is sure relief for burns. A few drops in the bottom of a drawer, or on the floor of a clothes-press or wardroker, will effectually prevent moths from finabiting the floor of a clothes-press or wardroker, will effectually prevent moths from finabiting the floor of a clothes-press or wardroker, will effect unity prevent moths from finabiting the floor of a clothes-press or wardroker, will effect unity prevent moths from finabiting the early spring will save much annoyance and hard labor through the long summer. Insects have a great aversion to the odor of turpentine, and it is sure death of those already in possession. It will drive red and black ants off the premises, if they gar and soldiers who served under him, and that confidence in him. The other thind the premise, if they gar was a soldiers who served under him, and had confidence in him. The other was that he had the full respect and entire the confidence of both President Davis and Gen. Lee, from the beginning to the close of his fill and and soldiers who served under him, and that confidence of both President Davis and Gen. Lee, from the beginning to the close of his fill and and soldiers who served under him, and the close of his fill and and confidence in him. The other was that he had the full respect and entire to differe or both President Davis and Gen. Lee, from the beginning tho elections and the close of his fill and the premise. If they are the premises of the premises, if they gar and soldiers who served under him, and had confidence in him. The other was that he had the full respect and entire to differe or both President Davis and Gen. Lee, from the beginning to the close of his fill and and golorious military career. And this, from the character, and this, from the character, and the premises. If they sare the premises of the head of the sample of four years, in high and responsible

of his equals before the law. These he, along with millions of his countrymen, believed to be menaced and endangered by the policy and purposes of a sectional, dominant and licentious majority. And subsequent events, known to you all, have shown that this belief was well founded. He was no mere soldier of fortune; his course was not guided by selfishness or ambition; but he drew his aword in the cause of civil liberty—not on the side of power, but in defense of the weak—and wielded it as a true patriot and as one of the grandest heroes of the great war, in which armies were marshaled whose tread shook the continent, and whose terrible conflicts arrested the attention of the civilized world.

Though a man of military education and social virtues were as admirable as his military career had been in war. He accepted the necessary results of the war, malmed and in poverty, and without a profession as he was, with a cheerful, manly fortitude, and at once applied himself diligently and earnestly to commercial and other pursuits to earn an independent livelihood by honorable means.

He never despaired in the darkest hours or under the severest afflictions of being able to achieve success in civil pursuits, and to secure for himself an honorable competence. Of strong, manly frame and herote mould, he was as courteous as any knight, and as soft and gentie in his manners and as pure as a woman; beloved and respected by all who krew him, and lived and died without the stain of one breath of calumny. He was a fattbrill brave, honest man, and a true Christian gentleman.

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Be Ye Like Foolish.

"For ten years my wife was confined to her bed with such a complication of aliments that no doctor could tell what was the matter or cure her, and I used up a small fortune in humbug stuff. Six months ago I saw a United States flag with Hop Bitters on it, and I thought I would be a fool once more. I tried it, but my folly proved to be wisdom. Two bottles cured her. She is now as well and strong as any man's wife, and it cost me only \$2. Be ye likewise foolish."—[H. W., Detroit, Mich.

lery, the Louisiana's Own and the Continentale, will appear in "Ours," Wednesday evening.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

The following transfers of real estate took

place during the past week:

E. and A. Minture, to Peter Aguillard, one lot and improvements, 31x127, front on Bagatella, between Morales and Goodchildren streets, \$1000.

B. G. Carbajal to T. F. McMahon, one lot and buildings, 19x90, fronting on Gasquet and Franklin streets, \$4000.

Armand Fenvergue to Mrs. Henry Colin. one lot and buildings, 37x152, on Johnson, between Hospital and Barracks streets, \$750.

Mrs. Fernandez to Mrs. G. de Castro, one lot and buildings, 27x122, on Prieur, between St. Ann and Dumaine streets, \$630.

Jean Sangasson to Widow Louis Mailhes, two lots and buildings, 31x55 each, on Madison, between Chartres and Decatur streets, \$2500.

Jean Sangasson to whole John Schler Streets, 14250.

Bertrand Marotte to Joseph Fassalaqua, two lots and buildings, 31x55 each, on Madison, between Chartres and Decatur streets, 14250.

Bertrand Marotte to Joseph Fassalaqua, two lots and buildings, the first 31x74 front on St. Ann street, and the second 31x72 front on Orleans street, and the second 31x72 front on Orleans street, and the respective corners of Claiborne and St. Ann streets, 36250.

J. F. Robert to J. Toussant, one lot and buildings, bounded by Villere, St. Philip, Ursulines and Marais streets, \$4250.

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Rev. James Saul, D. D., to Frotestant Association of Louisiana, one lot and buildings, bounded by Roval, St. Effingham Lawrence to Mrs. John Rhodes, one lot and buildings, bounded by Roval, St. Louis, Bourben and Contistrests, \$600.

Miss Mary L. Scanlan to Peter Mohr, one lot and buildings, bounded by Josephine Camp, St. Andrew and Chestnut streets, \$700.

Michael T. Carroll to Jacinto Bunol: 1. One, lot and buildings, bounded by Magazine, Foucher, Girod and Lafayette streets; 2. One lot and buildings, bounded by Julia, Basin, Girod and Rampart streets, \$6500.

Jacques A. Vigneaud to Louis A. Cabiro, one lot and buildings, bounded Traulines, St. Philip, Johnson and Prieur streets, \$1800.

A. Gabriel to Lino Lopez, half of one lot and buildings, bounded by Frenchmen, Elyslan Fields, Girod and St. John the Baptist streets, \$401.

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Mortimer N. and William B, Wisdom to John Hearn, two lots and buildings, bounded by Claiborne, Erato, Thaila and Willow streets, \$100.

Sheriff's sale (Henry Sanders) to Elljah Bush, one lot, forming corner of Verret and Homer streets, measuring 32x131, \$268.

Mrs. Paul A. Bacas to J. M. Bruno, one lot and buildings, forming corner of Dumaine and Roman streets, measuring 23x106, \$1100.

Sheriff's sale (William H. Buck) to Philip Bouron, two lots, measuring each 26x110, and another measuring 32x110, fronting on St. Anthony, between Claiborne and St. John the Baptist streets, \$1200.

Claude Luque to Mrs. Marle N. Lafitte, one lot and Improvements, measuring 77x80, front the streets of the cornel of the street was founded to the street was carrodelet Walk, \$600.

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to and Improvements, measuring 77x80, front
on Prieur street, near Carondelet Waik, \$600,
Sheriff's sale (Jacob Goobel) to Jacob Kloop,
one lot, 30x59, front on Roman, between Poydras and Hevia streets, \$100.
William Alling to Mrs. Thomas H. Murpby,
two lots, 30x160 each, fronting respectively on
Camp and Magazine streets, \$1800.
New Orleans Credit Foncier Association to
Mrs. Jos. W. Adam, one lot and buildings,
20x150, front on Urquhart, between Amette
and Anthony streets, \$18.
Mrs. John H. Dunbar to Dr. John L. Posey,
one lot and buildings, bounded by Rampart,
y Poydras, Basin and Perdido streets, fronting
on Poydras street, measuring 27x123, \$2400.
Mrs. Susan Glaugh to Wildow C. W. Baker,
one lot and buildings, 3x91, front on Annatte,
the street of the street of the street on the between Derbigny and Chaiborns streets, \$400.

one lot and buildings, 32x91, front on Annatte, between Derbigny and Claiborne streets, \$400. Succession W. H. Brown to Payne Petition: 1. Seven lots, forming corner Dufossat and Chestnut streets; 2. Four lots, measuring each 31x121, front on Colliseum street, at intersection of Foucher street, \$550.

Mrs. Chas. Swanton to R. F. Theurer, one lot and improvements, measuring 28x12s, front on Victory, between Frenchmen and Elystan Fields streets, \$1700.

Succession Mrs. C. Flory to Michael McQuade, one lot and buildings, 31x100, front on Laurel, between Second and Third streets, \$1800.

Quade, one lot and obtainings, sarak, troncas, Laurel, between Second and Third streets, \$1800.

Andre Doregan to his wife, one-half of twelve lots, forming corner Carrollton Avenue and Cypress streets, donation.

Sheriff's sale (J. B. Partick) to James Z. Busby: 1. Three lots, bounded by Felicity, Melpomene, Clara and Willow streets, fronting on Felicity; 2. Eleven lots and improvements, bounded by St. Anthony, Liberal, Genois and Annette streets; Ironting on St. Anthony street; 3. One portlon of ground, bounded by d'Abadle, Onzaga, Dorgenois and Rocheblave streets; 4. Five lots, bounded by Galvez, Canal, Gasquet and Miro streets; 5. Seven lots in the Tulrd District, formerly part of the St. Geme plantatation, \$4300.

S.F. A. Satalechi to Charles Palfrey, one lot and improvements, bounded by Elysian Fields, Rampart, St. Claude and Marigny streets, fronting on Elysian Fields street, \$230.

John A. Brett to Alphonse Walz, one portion of ground and buildings thereon, at Spanish Fort, Lake End, \$500.

Citizens' Bank of Louisians to John Henry Beham, nine lots and buildings, bounded by St. Ferdinand, Craps, Press and Dauphine streets, fronting on St. Ferdinand street, \$5000.

CURRENT MENTION.

Sydney University is likely to be opened to Serious native disturbances are reported

Next year will be one of unexampled activ-

Immigration to Sydney and New Zealand The Ponca Indian fund of Boston has reached \$1500.

Victoria, Australia, has a short supply of wheat this harvest, amounting to 957,000

On the thirtieth of June last there were 1149 miles of railway open for traffic in New Zealand. An almost unprecedented golden wedding has just been celebrated at Watertown, Conn., the couple being Hiram Atwood and his fourth wife.

Out of a list of more than one hundred newspapers in Virginia, only seven are put down as opposed to the McCulloch plan for the settlement of the State debt. Prescott J. Pillabury, who embezzled \$64,000 while cashier of the Lawrence (M.ss.) National Bank, gets five years in Jah. His health is poor, and it is thought he will be pardoned out before long.

The Victoria (Australia) government proposes to expend \$425,000 in the erection of new public schools. The Sydney government proposes spending \$15,000,000, principally on rall-

Rallway accidents, strictly so-called, do not appear to have caused the death of a single passenger on the lines of the United Kingdom during the six months ending with June

iast. In the silk factories of Italy 120,428 woman are employed, besides 26,576 in cotton, and 13,707 in tobacco factories. There are 9177 manufacturing establishments of all kinds in the kingdom, employing 392,048 laborers, 135,456 of whom are women.

It is announced that the punishment in-flicted on the natives of Booker island, off the coast of New Guinea, by the English, has been salutary. These amiable savages had killed and eaten several white men, and had used native catechists as a relish.

The Kensington (London) Swedeaborgian church has been presented by a lady at Fiorence with the basso relicos scriptures by which Flaxman secured his admission to the Royal Academy. The great scriptor was a member of the Swedenborgian community.

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The British troops engaged in the Afghan campaign were granted six months: ""atta" at the close of hostilities. This added \$1,500,000 to the cost of the war. Scarcely is the bonus granted before there is anarchy in Cabul, and the campaign opens again.

A Paris letter says that a suicide took place on Monday at the Folies Bergere under very peculiar circumstances. The man appears from a letter found on his corpse to be a devotee of science. He left the following letter: "I desire that my body be given to the Faculity of Medicine to study. I shoot myself because I am suffering from an incurable disease. In spite of that I am as strong as a

horse and cannot die. Let me be very cully dissected. I shall afford the doctovery curious study."

Fra Diavolo has resppeared out of the opera. The brigand Salpietra, who escaped from a prison van just a year ago at Palerno, has been run to earth and killed, as well his lieutenant. Ferro, by a patrot of carboniers. The brigands made a desperate resistance, killing a mounted constable and wounding another of the government troops. The Equency of Ruesia hes written.

sistance, killing a mounted constable and wounding another of the government troops. The Emperor of Russia has written to the Pope, taking advantage of an opening made by some communications made to him through the Prince of Buigarla. In this letter the Emperor declares his readiness to make peace with the Catholic Church in Poland. The Suitan has also written to the Pope, stating his desire to leave full liberty to the Catholic Church in his dominions, and to preserve good relations with the Vatican. The Maine Republicans say that the most effective weapon in their campaign was a cartoon portraying a pair of steers, labeled "Democrati" and "Greenback," with Candidate Smith on the back of the Greenback steer in whose nose is hitched a rein, which is held by E. F. Pillsbury on the back of the Democratic steer, while Solon Chase goes behind with the wilp. The cartoon took with the farmers better than any of the platform arguments.

A boy born to a great fortune has just met

guments.

A boy born to a great fortune has just met with a sad fate. He was the oldest son of Mr. Treffry, of Fowey, in Cornwall, and jumping on a coal tram-wagon while in motion he fall from the grease-box. His legs were caught in the spokes of the wheel and he was whirled round and fatally injured; indeed, he never regained consciousness and died in an hour. He was 12 years old, and would on attaining his majority have come into possession of large property which has for many years been held by the Trefiry trustees for an heir who shall be born in the name of Treffry. The poor boy leaves two brothers, the oldest of whom now stands in his place.

Crockery in all styles at Shepard's.

Ours.—By the O. D. A.'s at the Grand Opera. House Wednesday, in aid of Hood's orphans.

John U. Adams, No. 26 St. Charles street, has the latest styles of hats. They are just in.

THE Washington and the Louisiana Field Artillery, the Louisiana's Own and the Contine tals will appear in "Ours" Wednesday evening.

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