APPEAL.

...EEN BY A STRANGER.

...e *Southern Homestead*, print-... was recently on a tour through ... of the country, when he thus ...led his impressions of our city. We ... from the *Homestead* of the 3d inst.:

MEMPHIS, May 27, 1858.

...ounting no accident, either by "flood or ... here we are in Memphis, the busy, stir-... Bluff City,"—the most important point of ...e and commerce "on the Mississippi ... between St. Louis and New Orleans—... great cotton mart in West Tennessee, ...h Alabama and Mississippi, and Arkansas. ...glance, it is seen that the elements of ...th, wealth and greatness encompass her. ...ings, trade, and the various large and im-...nt enterprises, completed or in progress; ...ates of rent, and in fact, everything which ...s itself upon your attention at every turn, ...convincing arguments that enterprise and ...perity are the leading characteristics of ...fair daughter of Tennessee. I conceive it ...s a great injustice, that a people whom, in ...ried aspects, I have found so universally ...ble, courteous, accommodating, moral and ...rly, should be charged as a community ...such vice and crime, which is evidently ...nerated by "birds of passage,"—the riff-...—the scum which is constantly floating on ...river, from city to city, for the purpose of ...s and robbery. It is very reasonable to ...pose that the greater bulk of the crime com-...ed in Memphis, is perpetrated by this class. ...bona fide citizens of Memphis, I am con-...ned to believe, are at least equal in mor-...and virtue to those of any other city in the ...try.

...give even a brief notice of the many pub-... improvements in and around Memphis, ...ld swell this communication far beyond its ...per limits; yet, there is one to which I must ...de, not only in justice to such an enterprise, ...to endeavor thereby, to stimulate our own ...zens to yet another effort in the same direc-... I allude to the Gayoso House—a hotel ...ch will compare favorably, with any simi-... institution" in the United States. The ...yoso is built, furnished and conducted upon ...ale of magnificence which eclipses anything ...he Southwest, and is scarcely surpassed by ... first houses of New York or Philadelphia. ...her the St. Nicholas or Girard, (of both of ...ich we know something from experience ... observation,) have but little to boast of, ...ch the Gayoso cannot claim. The interior ...ngements, decorations and appliances of ... model hotel, are indeed palatial, and its ...itations and appointments in all of its vari-... departments, are the ne plus ultra of excel-...ce, elegance and taste. Whatever the heart ...desire, or the inclination suggest in hotel ...commodations, may here be found, and all, ... moderate expense, when the real cost ...each luxury is taken into the account. The ...n who had the nerve to invest so much as ... house required, for the erection of such ...ch accommodations for the public, de-...ves unbounded success. We have no doubt ...t an appreciative public taste and a just ...se, will amply sustain Mr. Cockrell, the de-...vedly popular host. When will Nashville ...e such a house as this? She lacks neither ... capital nor the ability to construct one. ...regret to know that it is simply the want ... a proper public spirit.

...should do injustice to my feelings if I did ... express to the editorial fraternity of Mem-..., before passing to another topic, my ...knowledgements for the kindness I have re-...ived at their hands. They are as gallant ... ever of "good fellows" as ever drew a quil ...pointed a sentence."

KANSAS AFFAIRS.

...STRUCTIONS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TO GOVERNOR DENVER.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, May 7, 1858.

W. Denver, Esq., Governor of the Territory of Kansas.

SIR: I transmit to you a copy of the act of ...ngress approved 4th May, 1858, "for the ad-...ission of the State of Kansas into the Union." ...our duties under this act are of the most deli-... and important character. As they are ...early and distinctly defined by the act itself, ...Congress were not satisfied, as you will per-...ive, with the ordinance adopted at Lecompton by the Constitutional Convention there assembled in regard to the public lands and their ...e grants to the State of Kansas therein con-...ained too extensive and beyond former prece-...nts in similar cases. They have therefore ...posed to the people of Kansas to assent to ...this a change in the ordinance as adopted ...e act, reducing the quantity of lands granted, ...as to conform to the grant in the bill now ...fore Congress for the admission of Minnesota.

This question is properly left to Kansas ...be decided at a popular election. The act ...prescribes that "at the said election the voting ...hall be by ballot, and by endorsing on his bal-... each voter may please, "Proposition ...cepted" or "Proposition Rejected." Should ...majority of the votes cast be for "Proposition ...Accepted," the President of the United ...tates, as soon as the fact is duly made known ...him, shall announce the same by proclama-...n; and thereafter, and without any further ...ceedings on the part of Congress, the Ad-...mission of the State of Kansas into the Union ...an equal footing with the original States, in ...l respects whatever shall be complete and ab-...olute, &c. But should a majority of the votes ...st be for "Proposition rejected," it shall be ...emed and held that the people of Kansas do ...t desire admission into the Union with said ...constitution, under the condition set forth in ...e said proposition. They will then remain ...a Territorial condition, until it is ascer-...tained by a census duly and legally taken, that ...e population of said Territory equals or ex-...eeds the ratio of representation required for a ...member of the House of Representatives of the ...Congress of the United States," upon which ascertainment the people of the said Territory ...are authorized and empowered to form for ...themselves a Constitution and State Govern-...ment" in the manner prescribed by the Act. ...Under the second section of the Act, your ...self, the District Attorney, the Secretary of ...the Territory, the President of the Council and ...the Speaker of the House of Representatives ...are constituted a Board of Commissioners, to ...conduct this important election. The Presi-...dent has entire confidence that so far as in you ...lies, the election will be fairly and properly ...conducted. Your powers and your duties are ...sufficiently indicated by the Act and by your ...official instructions. It is greatly to be de-...sired that the five Commissioners should act in ...concert in all their proceedings. The Presi-...dent above all things desires, that there should ...be a fair expression of the popular will on this ...important question; and that any person who ...may commit or attempt to commit the frauds ...prohibited under the Act, may be prosecuted ...with the utmost rigor of the law. It is to be ...hoped that the people of Kansas, relieved from ...all outside influences may be left to decide the ...question for themselves, whether they will immediately come into the Union under the provisions of the Act, or will remain in a Territorial condition until their population is equal to the number required for a Representative to Congress.

Enclosed herewith you will receive four copies of the Act referred to, one of which you will send to each of the Commissioners named in the Act, in order that they may be properly informed of their designations.

At the same time, you will provide for an early meeting of the Commissioners, so that the election required by the Act may take place without unnecessary delay, and that all suitable arrangements may be made for the purpose. The President earnestly hopes, that these arrangements may be successful in securing a free and fair election, and that at the present important crisis the peace of the Territory may not be interrupted.

The act for the admission of Kansas ought to be extensively circulated among the people, because the question to be decided by them is one of vast importance, and may involve the welfare and prosperity of their fair territory for a long period of years. For this reason, whilst the act very properly prescribes that the day of election shall be at as early a period after the proclamation, as is consistent with due notice thereof to the people; the time intervening period ought to be sufficiently long to enable them thoroughly to understand the question in all its bearings and consequences. I shall have ten thousand copies of the act printed in this city and forwarded to you for immediate circulation.

You will not probably convene the Board until after the appointment of a new District Attorney for the Territory. A nomination for this purpose will be sent to the Senate on Monday next. Should you deem it advisable, you are at liberty to publish the whole or any part of these instructions. The President wishes to give every assurance to the people of Kansas, that he desires, above all things, that there shall be a fair expression of the popular will in all the election; and that the result may be to produce peace and harmony among themselves and promote their lasting welfare.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

LEWIS CASS.

MILITARY EXECUTION.—A Kansas correspondent writes in the St. Louis *Democrat*:

A private of the Seventh Infantry is to be shot at 6 p. m. He murdered two of his fellow soldiers, and wounded an officer in the army. These exploits were performed in Texas. I understand he spent ten months in the Penitentiary at Jefferson City, and was at length handed over to the military authorities. His grave was dug this morning. The guard (some of their muskets being loaded with ball and some with blank cartridge, but no soldier knowing whether or not his musket contains a ball) fire at the dropping of a handkerchief, or some other signal, at a man who stands before them with bandaged eyes.

BARBARISM.—In the recent battle between the Sioux and Chippewa Indians whenever a Chippewa would fall, his head was immediately cut off and carried to the rear. Four ghastly heads were thus taken over the river, and exhibited with great exultation by the squaws, who were busy all the time carrying ammunition, (which, it is said, was furnished by citizens to them free of charge,) and encouraging their warriors. Later in the day, some headless bodies of the dead Chippewas were brought over, and the squaws hacked them to pieces, and finally kindled a fire under one of them and burnt it up.

☞ The Washington correspondent of the Charleston *Mercury*, thinks that although fully aware of the blessing of peace, Mr. Buchanan is not averse to going to war at present—"for," says the writer, "from what I can learn, he has the most exalted notions of the honor and the perpetuity of the Union; and he may believe that a foreign war would divert out people from their inestine differences."

THE NEW ORLEANS CUSTOM-HOUSE.—In a letter to the Senate, the Secretary of the Treasury says that the sum of $1,451,634 will be necessary to complete the New Orleans custom-house. The buildings will be a beautiful specimen of American architecture and skill.

RAIN.—At Cincinnati during the last night there the amount of rain falling in the month of May was 3.81 inches; from the 1st to the 25th it was 8.22 inches, over double the average amount.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

The people of Tennessee will be called upon to vote on the first Thursday in September next upon the question of calling a Convention "to revise, alter, or amend the Constitution of the State of Tennessee." For the purpose of bringing the subject early before the public, in order that it may be deliberately considered, we publish the following Act of Assembly authorizing the people to vote:

AN ACT to authorize the people to call a Convention to revise, alter, or amend, the Constitution of the State of Tennessee.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the citizens of this State, entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly, are hereby authorized to assemble at the several places of holding elections in their respective counties, and vote for or against calling a Convention to amend, revise, or form and make a new Constitution for the State.

SEC. 2. The election provided for in the first section, shall be held on the first Thursday in September next.

SEC. 3. The sheriffs of the several counties in the State shall, after giving sixty days' notice in writing in each civil district in their respective counties, and in some newspaper printed in the county, (if there be one) and if none, in some newspaper printed in Knoxville, Nashville, Jackson, and Memphis, open and hold an election, at the several places of holding elections in their counties, on the first Thursday in September next, as prescribed in this act.

SEC. 4. The elections authorized by this act shall be held and conducted under the same rules and regulations that elections are for members of the General Assembly, and the returns of such elections shall be made in the same manner, that returns are made of election for members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 5. Each voter shall write on his ticket, Convention, or no Convention, and the returns of such election having been made, the Governor and Secretary of State shall compare all the votes cast for, or against the Convention, and if it shall appear that the votes in favor of a Convention amount to a majority of the whole number of votes polled for Governor at the election next preceding the day of election for or against said constitution, *Provided*, that a majority of the entire vote so polled shall be in favor of the Convention, then, the Governor shall issue his proclamation, declaring that a majority of the votes polled, are in favor of a Convention. It shall in the same writs of election, directed to the Sheriffs in every county in this State authorizing and requiring the Sheriffs thereof, to open and hold election for delegates to the Convention, at the several places of holding election in their respective counties, on the first Thursday in November next.

SEC. 6. Each county electing one representative to the General Assembly, shall elect one delegate to the Convention, and each representative district composed of more than one county, shall elect one delegate to the Convention. Counties that elect more than one representative, shall elect the same number of delegates, as they are entitled to elect representatives.

SEC. 7. Elections of delegates to the Convention shall be held under the same rules and regulations as members of the General Assembly, and returns of such elections shall be made in the same manner, as returns are made for members of the General Assembly. The persons having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected delegate to said Convention.

SEC. 8. The delegates elect shall assemble at the capitol in the city of Nashville, on the first Monday in December thereafter, and proceed to the discharge of their duty. They shall receive the same compensation for their travel and services, as members of the General Assembly are entitled to receive under the existing laws of the State.

Passed March 19, 1858.

DANIEL S. DONELSON, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN C. BURCH, Speaker of the Senate.

Real Estate.

Valuable Town Lots FOR SALE.

I HAVE for sale lots on Madison and Monroe streets in Lots on Madison street, near the Memphis and Charleston depot, suitable for option shops and warehouses.

Lots on Beale street, near Dawson.

One lot on Shelby, near Gayoso.

Also—Lots on Poplar, Broad road, Court and Orleans streets, for dwellings.

ALSO—

One or both Cotton Sheds at the Charleston Depot.

The lots on Court street are offered as a great improvement to industrious mechanics and persons of small means who desire to build for themselves.

TERMS—Most of the above property will be sold on ten years credit, at ten per cent. interest. Any person desirous of purchasing improvements will do well to apply soon.

JNO. D. ARMOUR,
apl22-6tm No. 21 Front Row.

FOR RENT AND FOR SALE.

A COMFORTABLE two story DWELLING with one acre of kitchen and servants' room, stables, carriage house and cistern, near W. G. Ford's residence.

For sale, a lot with two houses, corner of Poplar and Orleans streets. One lot of 50 feet, on Union street, adjoining Mr. Tapp. The property will be sold on easy terms by J. S. EWIN or J. WELLER.

Also—For sale a house and lot on the Greenlaw tract, double tenement. mar18-tf

For Sale on Liberal Terms,

TWO thousand two hundred and thirty acres of choice Bolivar Land, three miles from the Mississippi river; four hundred acres in cultivation; good Dwelling and comfortable Quarters, Screw Gin and new Gin Stands, will be sold with the plantation, or separate, on liberal terms, and twenty Mules, Ox Teams, Wagons, Farming Utensils, &c.

Adjoining the place I will sell one thousand and forty acres of Land, about fifty acres in cultivation, which I will sell for one-third cash, the balance on one and two years credit. For further particulars call on me at the plantation. Address J. J. ROSS,
Prentiss, Mississippi,
or to Dr. J. S. PEACOCK,
mar22-tf Memphis, Tennessee.

Valuable Plantation for Sale.

ON St. Francis river, 10 miles above the Madison landing, in Phillips county, Arkansas. The tract contains about 1000 acres—some third in cultivation with good improvements. For particulars apply to R. H. CRUMP.
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6,107 Acres of Land for Sale,

I OFFER for sale the following Tracts of Land, in Tipton county, Tenn., to-wit: One tract of 368 acres, in one mile of the Memphis and Ohio Railroad, and three from Mason's Depot; 120 acres cleared, balance well timbered. There is a good dwelling house, gin house, cabins, stables, pens and sheds, &c., and well improved, all new and built within the last two years. One tract of 2,250 acres, 300 acres cleared, and large deadenings; total improvements are a neat quarter, and a very large framed six house, outhouses, &c. It is within four miles of Covington and ten of Mason's Depot, two miles half from Hatchie river at the foot of the hills. One tract of 2,438 acres, known as Locust Bluff, about five miles from Covington, on Hatchie river. It would make a good plantation, containing about 1,200 acres of barren woods. One tract of 700 acres, within six miles of Mason's Depot and five of Wesley, all woods. One tract of 372 acres, on Hatchie river, and six miles from Covington, known as the Millstone Mountain. There also a Steam Saw and Grist Mill I wish to sell. I will sell bargains in the above land, as I desire to change my business. Mr. THOS. T. SOMERVELL, or Maj. THOMAS T. SENT will take pleasure in showing them lands. Address, at Memphis.
feb7-dawtf R. B. SOMERVELL.

VALUABLE LANDS For Sale.

I PROPOSE selling 1500 acres of land in Tallahatchie and Yalobusha counties, Mississippi, to wit: one hundred and fifty acres in cultivation, with a good Store-House and Outbuildings, and outbuildings. Also, some smaller tracts, to suit purchasers, and my Mill Tract, 1000 acres, with a good saw Mill as high North Mississippi, most of it best quality land and well timbered, both with Cypress and White Oak, and 1000 good Oak Trees for staves, being too large to saw.

I will sell on five years time at 10 per cent. interest and a reasonable time on the balance. My home is known as the Charleston Post Office, situated on the Tockopekatafa river, one mile above the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, 75 miles from Memphis.

may6-wtm J. G. BRODY.

A Valuable Plantation for Sale in Panola County, Miss.

BEING desirous to concentrate my planting interests in the Mississippi bottom, and also to pay all my debts, I will sell my plantation in Panola county, adjoining Batesville, it consists of 800 acres more than 200 in woods and finely timbered, all the cleared land is in fine condition, well ditched and under good fences. One corner is within 400 yards of Como Depot. The main road from Coffeeville and Memphis runs on the road line, and the road running west to Como Depot on the south line. The neighborhood is one of the best in the State for churches and society. I offer it very low if the purchaser desired it. I would sell some negroes also. I. N. DAVIS.

Como Depot, March 25, 1858.—mr27-wtf

1120 Acres of Land For Sale.

DESIRING to move westward, I offer for sale the above Land in Tippah county, Mississippi, eight miles east from Ripley, and three miles west from Salem, and 1 of LaGrange Depot; 500 acres of the land are in cultivation and under good fences; a comfortable Dwelling and Kitchen, with negro houses, gin and press, apple, and two peach orchards, with quince and other fruit trees of various kinds; large cistern, with two small streams running across the land, and plenty of good timber, and about 250 acres of fallow land, and not cleared, well, by bearing, could be made very productive. Any person wishing to purchase, will please come and examine the premises where they will find me on some part, to show the same. If desired, I will sell the crop growing on the place, 130 acres of cotton, 150 of corn, 70 of oats, 25 of wheat, &c.

apr15-tf-c G. G. WILDOX.

Steam Mills and 700 Acres OF LAND FOR SALE.

WE will sell on accommodating terms, our well equipped Steam Mills (both Saw and Grist) together with 700 acres of Timber Land, and a leased privilege to cut timber for two years. The Saw mill is on the Hatchie River, situated in McNairy county, on the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and on Tuscumbia's fork of Hatchie River navigable at all times. The Grist Mill is located in a well populated and very rich neighborhood, and every thing in good repair.

Address the undersigned at Matamora or Moscow, Tenn. ALEXANDER & RICH.
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L. M. MOORE.....G. W. HUGHES.

MOORE & HUGHES

Have associated themselves for the transaction of a General Land Agency Business IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

THEY will PAY TAXES on lands, and attend to the entry of Lands in any part of the State.

They will make personal examinations and surveys of land, in any part of the State, and report to the purchaser the character of the soil, timber, quantity of arable land upon any particular tract, and any desirable information in regard to lands; and in cases where persons wish to bring their land into market, they will correct to have similar declared upon it, and will find purchasers for said lands, or will take said lands of those who desire to sell.

With the land in this State has been reserved from sale for the last five years, having been mostly in swamp and overflowed, and which, by an act of the last session, was confirmed to the States, and will be subject to entry in a few months. The lists of these lands contain a great deal that has become valuable since its reversion, and the above Land Agents, their experience as practical surveyors, one of whom has been engaged in the public Surveys of the State for many years, and the other in Railroad surveying in Mississippi, having thus gained an extensive knowledge of land throughout the State, will be prepared to make good locations for persons desiring to invest money, when this confirmation of Swamp Lands is offered for sale, or subject to entry, either for a speculation or for the land or commission upon the money invested.

Persons purchasing lands in Arkansas will find at their office, plats of land unimproved, or farms, with full descriptions of their improvements, quality, locality, &c. Information can be also directed to cheap and suitable places.

Office on the corner of Main and Markham streets, Little Rock, Ark.

REFERENCES—Hon. R. W. Johnson, Wm. S. Miller, Author Mitchell & Co., Little Rock, Ark.; Hon. M. Gross, Hempstead county; Capt. D. H. Williams, Washington, Ark.; Wm. Speers, Batesville, Ark.; J. L. Williams, Commercial Tribune & Co., Memphis, Tenn.
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Valuable Town Lots FOR SALE.

I OFFER for sale the following Lots in Memphis, Tenn., to-wit: One lot on Madison, between Dunlap and Second, 50 feet front, extending back 200 feet. One lot on Second, between Madison and Monroe