Local Matters.

Thursday Morning, January 13, 1859.

☞ The Trustees of the Memphis Hospital are requested to assemble at the Arsenal editorial rooms, at 8 o'clock *p. m.*, on Saturday next.

☞ Gen. J. E. Tallafierro, Representative in the Mississippi Legislature from Tallahatchie county, is now in the city, and stopping at the Gayoso.

THANKS.—For late papers we thank Harmstad & Hayman, agents, E. J. Booker, of the *Belfast*, and Will. Wood, of the *St. Francis No. 2*, and also O. L. Smith, clerk of the *Dacus*.

WITHDRAWN.—It will be seen by the Council report published this morning, that the proposition to build water works in this city, made to Council, has been withdrawn, and Council intends to apply to the Legislature for powers for the city to build them herself.

☞ We had the pleasure yesterday of meeting the Hon. Robert W. Barbee, of Texas, who had been on a visit to his friends in Panola county, Mississippi, and was returning to his adopted State. Col. Brahan, for a number of years, represented the county of Panola in the Legislature of Mississippi.

DR. WM. T. BAILEY.—Attention is invited to the professional advertisement of this gentleman, which appears in another place. Dr. Bailey is now one of our permanent citizens, a gentleman of learning, skill and experience in his profession, and as such worthy the liberal patronage of our people.

EUNYAN TABLEAUX.—This exhibition rivals anything of the kind we have had here for some time. The scene was the produce sale of an artist of no common order of merit. They are beautiful, not merely as specimens of artistic skill, but as productions of a rich, fancy and a poetical imagination. All who have seen them express the same opinion as to their high merits. The proprietor, Mr. Hart, has spared nothing which could add in placing these brilliant tableaux before the public in fitting style.

THE WASHINGTON RIFLES.—This company is a credit to the city. Its neat and handsome uniform, the excellent discipline of the men, and their martial appearance, go to it to the great popularity it has acquired. Its appearance on the 8th was greatly admired. We regret that we incorrectly spoke of it on that occasion as the "German Artillery," but our error was the less likely to mislead from the fact that everybody knows it is the Washington Rifles that never fail to turn out when the occasion renders its presence desirable.

IRISH KNOW NOTHING.—Irish Know-Nothings are reckoned to be almost as scarce as pigeon's milk; but Eq. Richards had a call from one, yesterday, in his office. The man's appearance was pretty good; he seemed to possess an average amount of intellect, but was most deplorably ignorant. In reply to the 'Squire's questions, he acknowledged that he did not know the name of the county he lately left, in Ireland, nor did he know the name of the port he embarked at, or of the ship he sailed in, or of the port at which he landed, or of the city he had lived in, or of the Mississippi river, or in which direction its waters run, the name of the steamboat he had traveled on, or the name of this city; but he had heard there was "a big place here, and he came right off to it. He said his business was "doing ditching." Like the philosopher, all that he knew was, that he knew nothing.

THE CAIRO ROUTE.—As the public become acquainted with the convenience of this road, and know the rapidity with which the Northern and Eastern cities can be reached by its means, its travel increases. A'S in the spring the travelers scurry on the Charleston railroad; at Grand Junction it connects with through trains to Columbus, Ky., by the Mississippi Central and Tennessee, and the Mobile and Ohio Roads. At Columbus the fine steamer Courier—of which Latimer is Captain, and Dogan clerk—carries the traveler to Cairo, where the Illinois Central Road opens to him ready access to all portions of the Western, Northern, and Eastern States and to Canada. There is only one change of cars, and baggage is checked through. J. T. Plumb, Esq., is the agent for the road in this city. His office is at the Gayoso House.

ARKANSAS COTTON LANDS—LARGE YIELD.—We had the pleasure yesterday of meeting with our acquaintance, Col. Wm. Polk Williams, of Nashville, on his return from his plantation, on the Arkansas river. He brings most cheering reports from the cotton crops in Arkansas. Col. W. has gathered on his Richland plantation, twenty-five miles below Fine Bluff, eight hundred bales, the product of the labor of sixty-four hands. From another plantation, not far from Richland, where he employs forty hands, he has already gathered and shipped six hundred bales. Fourteen bales to the hand, we should call a good crop, even for Arkansas. Col. Williams, who is a successful planter, as well as a first rate Democrat, says that there are many of his neighbors who have done quite as well as he, and that in his section the product will average three thousand pounds of seed cotton to the acre. This, we dare say, will look like a good many squirrels out of a tree to our Georgia and South Carolina friends, but it may be relied upon as strictly true.

MAP OF THE CITY.—John Nowlan, Esq., has received a large lot of Rucker's maps of the city, fresh from the Engraver. The excellence of this map and beautiful style of getting up, are greatly admired. If a number of them were purchased by council, and sent to cities that have shown various courtesies to Memphis, they would do more to make Memphis and its extent and importance better known abroad, than any other plan that could be adopted. We hear, almost every day, strangers expressing their astonishment at the extent and population of Memphis, and the amount of business done here; they never knew the importance of Memphis until they walked its streets. If these maps of Rucker's were disseminated, people would soon learn how defective their conceptions of the place have been. The map has been a very expensive thing to get up, and subscribers who have received copies would do well to promptly send in their contributions; they are wanted.

THE STRAKOSCH OPERATIC CONCERT TROUPE. This troupe contains a rare combination of talent, and it is seldom our city has had an opportunity of seeing so many distinguished artists in a single troupe. Parodi's voice is a rich mezzo-soprano, and she sings better than when she first came to this country. Her execution is most wonderful, as all can testify who have ever heard her attempt Hommelle's celebrated Variations. Madame Wilhorst, formerly Miss Cora Wilhorst, of New York, always enjoyed the reputation of being one of the finest sopranos in America, and her subsequent tour and study in Europe have enabled her to take place as a prima donna in the first rank of artists.

Madame Strakosch has always been one of the most popular concert singers in America. Was ever heard English songs or Scotch ballads better rendered? The slight "tinge" of foreign accent, to our democratic tastes, rather enhances the effect. Madame S. retains all that unique and charming sweetness of manner, that, as Amelia Patti, made her a universal favorite with the public. She has been quite indisposed since her arrival here, but her court admirers cannot be inflicted to let her off without an encore.

Amodio is a great feature in this troupe. He is immense, both as a man and an artist. We doubt if so good a voice has been heard since the days of Lablache. It is not only extraordinary for power and compass, but possesses sweetness, and is always sympathetic and in time.

Henry Squires is an American, but has studied in Italy. This accounts for the music being in his throat and not in his nose. He possesses a sympathetic tenor voice of good compass, and that peculiar valued quality which distinguishes the voice of Mario. Though singing Italian music well, we think his forte is in ballad music and English opera. We like him much.

Signor Bosio, the baritone, is a fine specimen of a good Italian singer and actor; he should be seen to be appreciated, in opera. His acting in the opera of *Rigoletto* is unappreachable.

Sig. Nicolis, the *basso profundo*, is also an artist of great merit, and in the performance of his role elicits the admiration of musical critics everywhere.

Attractions such as these, to say nothing of M. Strakosch's grandly unique and astonishing performances on the Piano-forte, of which it is impossible to gain any just idea without hearing them, deserve to fill the theater nightly. No such combination of fine voices has ever been heard in this city, and it may be long before such talent may again visit us. We should be greatly pleased to have this troupe give us one entire opera, if the chorus and wardrobe can be procured in the city. But, gratifying as such a thing would be to most of the patrons of the Gaiety, we can hardly expect it, and shall content ourselves with the selections of solos and concerted pieces and ballads, and wonderful performances on the piano, which nightly elicit applause from crowded houses. To-night there is another excellent bill, and we hope our citizens will evince their good taste by again filling the theatre.

Port of Memphis.

No advertisements of Steamboats inserted except through Agents in this city, who will be held responsible for advertising fees.

River News.

The river was falling slowly yesterday; business at the landing was not very brisk. The weather was mild and beautiful.

The splendid packet J. H. Lucas is the regular St. Louis boat to-day, leaving at 6 in the evening. The Lucas is a fine boat, and is a general favorite with travelers; she has every comfort and accommodation that can be desired, and, "though last not least," a gentlemanly corps of officers.

The Kate Frisbee, the Napoleon United States mail boat, leaves as usual at 3 o'clock this afternoon. She is a swift boat, and always popular in her line.

The Moses McLellan, the very popular Louisville packet, starts for that city this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Captain Erwin treats his passengers well; so does the steward. The McLellan has a high character, and she well deserves it.

The St. Francis No. 2, the Memphis and Vicksburg packet, leaves to day for Vicksburg at 5 o'clock this evening. She is an excellent boat, and is obtaining great popularity. Capt. A. T. Wood, and Will Wood, the clerk, are estimable men and good officers. Harmstad & Hayman are agents.

The fine White River packet Robert, Captain Riley Jones, leaves arsenal, on Saturday. Passengers cannot find a better boat, or a more experienced captain, for White river.

The Belfast is the New Orleans boat to-morrow.

From the St. Louis Democrat, January 10:

"The river fell two inches during night, or nine feet now on the bars, most soon be reduced to five. The river from bank to bank, is full of floating ice, through which boats prefer not to run. No boat arrived yesterday from any quarter, and the ferry boats had a great deal of trouble in making their trips, and succeeded pretty much entire fast. The weather moderated yesterday afternoon, raining a slight shower, but it was reported that last night's freeze would be hard enough to render the ice more dangerous. The Alton packet Bellflower left on Saturday afternoon, and maybe down again this morning."

COUNCIL MEETING.

Council met in extra session on Tuesday night, Alderman Copeland in the chair.

The Mayor announced to the Board that the proposition lately made by the Memphis Water Works' Company, to erect works in the city, on certain considerations, was withdrawn by the company.

A communication from Samuel Tate, Esq., was read, stating that, unless the damages on a lot of ground on Adams street, near the bayou, were assessed, and the trustees of a certain lot of land opened down the road for the city was paid, suits would be commenced. Referred to the Mayor and Finance Committee, with power to settle.

A petition to straighten the bayou in a certain locality, was referred to the Improvement Committee and the City Engineer.

The Special Committee appointed to examine the engine Delaw in use by fire company No. 7, reported that they had made a strict examination, and found her new, in every respect, a first rate article, and capable of rendering efficient service, if properly managed; but she is worse than engine last issue are, had order, from neglect. Alderman Neal reported a resolution, which was adopted, to settle with Agnew for building the same.

The Chair fined Alderman Finnie $5 for smoking.

Alderman Finnie, from the Vigilance Committee, reported the resignation of policeman D. F. Jackson.

Alderman Morgan presented a petition from W. O. Lofland, asking Council to extend to him the privileges extended to, and abandoned by, Messrs. Roberts & Co., of keeping a shoe'shop. Referred to the Rover Committee.

Alderman Morgan offered a resolution to pay $150 for a cistern constructed in Engine House No. 3. Lost by a tie vote.

Alderman Hughes offered a resolution, which was adopted, authorizing the Committee on Fire Department to have conductors made from the necessary points to the public cisterns.

Alderman Kentnell offered a resolution, which was adopted, authorizing the Mayor to close a contract with the Overton Hotel Company to fill and finish the grading of the cross landing on Water street, with fifteen cords cobble yarn, the work to be done under the superintendence of the City Engineer, and to be paid for in taxes hereafter to be assessed upon the property of the company.

Alderman Poole offered resolutions, which were adopted, extending the hospitalities of the city to Gen. Scott.

Alderman Morgan offered the following resolutions, which were passed:

Resolved, by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Memphis, That, in view of the financial condition, and the prohibition of our city charter, the city cannot undertake to let corporate property, to construct water works adequate to the wants of the city.

Resolved, That we will apply to the Legislature of Tennessee, at its next session, for such a modification of our city charter as will enable the city in her corporate capacity to construct water works on her own account, exclusively, by allowing the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to issue her bonds of sufficient to raise sufficient to effect the object in view. The amount of such bonds, the time they are to run, and the interest they are to bear, and the purpose for which they are to be issued, shall be specified in the said application to the Legislature, to be incorporated in the proposed amendments to our city charter, should the Legislature receive our petition favorably.

Resolved, That the Legislature be also memorialized to allow the issuance of bonds for the purpose of market house and school houses, and for improving the streets and city wharf.

Alderman Robinson presented a communication from A. P. Merrill, which was referred to the Education Committee, asking that the $30,000 proposed to be expended in waterworks be applied to building school houses, as he thinks this a third part of the pouch of the city are growing up in the city, and these going to schools are mostly confined in overcrowded rooms. Every attempt to provide school rooms by means of State law has failed, and is likely to fail until voters are better qualified to select their representatives. Action by the Board is the only hope.

Alderman Hamilton offered a resolution relative to receiving the names of persons who will give the right of way to extend Monroe street to Pigeon Roost road, and ascertain the expense of opening the same, and also of Cayoso street to Wellington street. Adopted.

Adjourned.

DEBOW'S REVIEW.—The January number of this useful serial has reached us. It is filled with valuable facts and figures.

HARRIS CORPUS.—Norwood and Cox, the two men supposed to have been concerned in stealing slaves in Louisiana were discharged yesterday on *habeas corpus*, by Judge Carruthers.

RECORDER'S COURT.—The Recorder had ten cases before him yesterday, two of the parties were discharged, and the rest were sent to the chain-gang to give the city one hundred and sixty-four days labor.

HEED FOR REQUISITION.—Isaiah Hamilleton, who was arrested on the authority of a dispatch from Louisville, endeavored to regain his liberty yesterday by writ of *habeas corpus*. Judge Carruthers, however, decided that he must wait the requisition of the Governor of Kentucky.

MEMPHIS HAY MANUFACTORY.—It is proper that the reader from both city and country should know that Messrs. E. Burns & Co. are now turning out some of the most beautiful Hats, ever offered in this place, and what is more, a perfect fit by actual measurement can be had. Try him.

AUCTION.—We mentioned a few days ago the fact of a man with his family coming down the river as passengers on a trading boat, and near Charley Morris' wood-yard the man and his two boys were put ashore, while the woman and her infant were carried off, notwithstanding a perfect fit by actual measurement can be had. Try him.

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Business Notices.

GREAT RAILROAD CONVENTION AT MEMPHIS, FEBRUARY 7th, 1859.—All persons interested in the construction of a Railroad to the Pacific, on the El Paso, or any other route, are requested to attend the convention in this city on the day above designated.

The undersigned being among the sufferers of the late fire in this city, and having an insurance with Messrs. Parsons & Crosby, takes pleasure in stating, that those gentlemen have acted towards us in our settlement with them in the most prompt and satisfactory manner.

From their gentlemanly and urbane deportment towards enduring our intercourse with them we feel sure that others similarly situated will not fail to receive at their hands kind and prompt attentions. J. W. STRICKER & SON.

Jan. 13th, 1859.

Tyler & Co's. improved Ambrotypes, universally pronounced inimitable. Prices from 50 cents to $50. Gallery opposite Odd Fellows' Hall.

Tyler & Co's. Ambrotypes, Lelleotypes, Cragotos, Melainotypes, and other styles. Prices from 50 cents to $50, opposite Odd Fellows Hall.

Tyler & Co's. Ambrotypes, Family Groupes, copies taken from old pictures, enlarged and improved likenesses inserted in Lockets, Pins, &c. Prices from 50 cents to $50. Gallery opposite Odd Fellows' Hall.

A few No. 1 Brood Mares, and one extra fine Pony, for sale cheap at Madden & Graves' Stables. jan13-2*

See F. H. Clark & Co.'s column.

Refer to Speed, Donaho & Strange's column.

Read Cleaves & Yoder's holiday advertisements.

The certificates of cure produced by Turf Oil are from parties well known in Virginia. It is no humbug. See advertisement.

☞ Money to loan from five dollars and upwards upon personal property. N. B. Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry, Dry Goods, Silks and Negroes. Apply personally at 187 Main street, under the Worsham House, Memphis, Tenn. All business strictly confidential. ap11-2t.

Read the advertisement of Monsarrat & Co., to be found in another column. They have a half million dollars worth of most desirable real estate and negroes, which they will sell on long time. jan-10t

OUR SUBURBAN PROPERTY.—Is still on the market. The tract contains eleven and one-half acres, all under fence, beautifully situated on the new State Line road, 2½ miles from the city, and is susceptible of being divided into three handsome building sites. For terms apply to G. B. Locke & Co., or to

McCLANAHAN, THOMPSLE & DILL.

HOSE MANUFACTURE.—Are you a Southern man and believe in Southern trade? Then patronize home manufactures and buy your furniture of Zent & Trabue, No. 163 Main street, between Washington and Adams street, a few doors above the Worsham House. See advertisement. d<21-1m.

Because much surprised to see so many of our friends with new clothing—upon inquiring, we found that they had been sold by A. Kaufmann & Co., at cost—we also repaired there, and found goods not only at cost, but a great many less than cost. As the business must be closed in a few days, we advise all those requiring clothing, dry goods, hats and shoes, gold and silver watches, to call at once on Kaufmann & Co., No. 19 Front Row. ap-2m

We are often asked by strangers where the best gaiteers are to be had? We would here through the press answer all. We say, go to DeShong's Gallery, 118 Main street. Mr. DeShong is now assisted by Mr. Bingham, whose pictures stand unrivalled. Call and see for yourself, and be convinced. dll-1m.

RHEUMATISM.—Any person afflicted with acute or chronic rheumatism, neuralgia, pains of the face, jaw ache, back ache and similar pains, will find a never failing remedy in the use of "Wadsworth's Rheumatic Liniment," to be had of Ward & Jones, 229 Main street. Try it, the result will be satisfactory. ap30-3m.

FEVER AND AGUE.—*I Case of Eight Months' Standing cured by Barbree's Holland Bitters.*—Michael Kelly, No. 117 Seventh, near Grant Street, Pittsburgh, says:

"Last July, while running on the river as a cotton boat, plying between Natchez and New Orleans, I was taken with Fever and Ague. For eight long months I suffered with this dreadful disease. The greater part of this time I was unable to work, and spent at least fifty dollars for allopathic medicines, but found no permanent relief. Three weeks ago, one of my friends insisted upon my trying BERBREE'S HOLLAND BITTERS, saying that a cure was guaranteed. After taking it for one week, I must say that I was a sound man. I have been at work now for two weeks, and have had no return of the Chills or Fever whatever."

I certify that the above statement is true.

THOMAS ADAMS.

Diamond House, or R. Chester's Gothic Hall.

Latest News by Telegraph.

TO ASSOCIATED PRESS OF MEMPHIS.

LATER FROM MEXICO.

ARRIVAL OF THE TENNESSEE.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 12.—The steamer Tennessee is below, with Mexican dates to the 6th instant.

Gen. Echarzarzy had declared himself President on the 20th ult. This movement had not been seconded at the Capital.

The triumphal procession in favor of Gen. Robles, on the 23d, Gen. Robles submitted a plan for the States to form a Junta, with three delegates from each State. The Junta elected Gen. Miramon as President.

At Vera Cruz, Guerra's Government remained firm; the Liberals had taken Jalapa, and Cordova, and had attacked Orizaba.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER ALPS

NEW YORK, January 12.—The steamer *Alps* with foreign dates of the 29th December has arrived. Most of her news has been anticipated.

HAVRE, December 29.—Cotton closed with a declining tendency, quotations unchanged. Orleans has quoted at 97 francs. Market closing dull.

Congress.

WASHINGTON, January 12.—*Senate.*—The President says that it is inexpedient to divulge, at present, the correspondence relative to the sinking of Walker.

The Pacific Railroad bill came up.

House.—Mr. Stephens asked leave to report an Oregon bill forthwith; it was objected to.

The consideration of the deficiency appropriation bill to the Committee on Naval Affairs, was resumed.

House, Jan. 12, P. M.—House engaged in discussing the Pacificated Railroad bill.

Senate.—Senate engaged in discussing the Pacific Railroad bill. The motion to recommit it was lost by a vote of 32 to 25.

Kansas Banditti.

ST. LOUIS, January 12.—A lot of KANSAS Banditti, numbering some four hundred, are re-building Fort Chouteau, and re-establishing Fort. It is said that Montgomery will fight unless Gen. Denver's compromises are complied with.

Senator Elected.

BOSTON, January 12.—Henry Wilson has been re-elected to the United States Senate.

Arrival of the Steamer Moses Taylor.

NEW YORK, January 12.—The steamer *Moses Taylor*, from California, with advices of the 26th, has arrived. Her dates are anticipated. She brings $1,400,000 in gold.

Washington News.

WASHINGTON, January, 12.—Senor Jarez is recognized as the sole representative from Nicaragua.

Beverly Tucker denies having any intention of resigning the Liverpool consulate.

Steamer Sailed.

BOSTON, January 12.—The steamer *Africa* sailed to-day for Liverpool, taking $68,000 in specie.

Vessels Arrived.

NEW ORLEANS, January 12.—Arrived—ships Troy, from Genoa, Hellas from Glad Tidings from New York, and Linden from Antwerp.

River News.

ST. LOUIS, January 12.—The river is falling at the rate of half an inch per hour, with 7 to 8 feet to Cairo.

Telegraph Markets.

NEW YORK, January 12.—Cotton has declined 16c. Upland Middling, 11 7-16@11 9-16c; good do. 12c. Flour and Wheat lower. Corn 3@5c. Mess Pork, old, $16 50@17; new, $17 37½@17 50. Sugar firm; Orleans, 6@7c. Linseed Oil steady at 60@62c. Lard Oil, 90@95c. Tallow firmer at 10½@10¾c.

CINCINNATI, January 12.—Flour firm and unchanged. Whisky, 24c. Hogs averaging 220 lbs., $6 50. Groceries firm.

THE INFENSE DEMAND

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES

HAS A SPLENDID LARGE SALESROOM has been fitted up at No. 190 Main street, next door to McCauley's Drug Store, where customers will find the best and most

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES,

to be well established, it is deemed superfluous to expatiate upon their merits, suffice it to say, they are fast to supersede every kind of Sewing Machine, whether from or not, as superior, or at least, equal in all others. Full satisfaction is not proof, and an amicable trial is a perfect advertisement, which has made small friends of the opportunity of testing for themselves, and what Machine is best suited to his purpose.

It is not to be supposed that a Shuttle Machine can be received, simply because such Machine is sold with the privilege of returning it in a given time if it doesn't "do as well as what it was represented to do."

With it necessary, we could point to a volume of testimonials, from persons who have purchased, and who have tested, the merits of Shuttle Machines, and who are now using Shuttle Machines, and who are now using Shuttle Machines, and who are now using