## Local Matters.

**Saturday Morning, : : April 23, 1859.**

COMMON LAW COURT.—The business of the spring term of this court having been finished up, the session of to-day will close the proceedings.

ARREST.—At midnight last night there had been four arrests by the city police. The delinquents had been taken into custody upon charges of drunkenness and fighting.

MEMPHIS CHANCERY COURT.—We are requested to announce that the minutes of the last day's proceedings of this court yet remaining open, will be signed by Judge Caruthers at 10 o'clock next Monday morning.

☞ G. B. Locke & Co., sell at their store to-day at 10 o'clock A. M., house and lot on South street and houses and lots on Jackson and Commerce streets. This desirable property must and will be sold regardless of price or weather. Bargains may be expected.

SONS OF MALTA.—There will be a meeting of "Ingomar Lodge, No. 1," this evening, at their Hall at 7½ o'clock. A large and punctual attendance is requested, as business of importance connected with the Sister Lodge at Vicksburg will be brought before the meeting. By order of the Grand Commander.

THE GAIETY.—The lovers of the classical drama will be pleased to learn that the tragedy of *Hamlet* will be presented at the Gaiety this evening, Miss Vandenhoff and Mr. Swinbourne sustaining the principal characters. The entertainment will conclude with the pleasing afterpiece of *False Heart Never Won Fair Lady.*

DROWNED.—The body of a man, evidently that of a boat hand, was taken from the river at Fort Pickering yesterday. The identity of the deceased was unknown. Esquire Horne held an inquest upon the body, and the jury returned a verdict to the effect that the deceased had been drowned.

PARDONED.—Catharine Moran, who had been convicted of larceny during the present term of our Criminal Court, and whose punishment was assessed at three years' imprisonment in the penitentiary, but who had been pardoned by Gov. Harris, was liberated yesterday.

LIGHT READING.—Mr. R. C. Hite, at his depot at the Worsham House, has received *Harper's Weekly*, the New York *Ledger*, the *Sunday Mercury* and other periodicals for the current week, and keeps on hand all the popular light reading of the day, including the issues of our contemporaries of the Memphis press.

PINE BLUFF INDEPENDENT.—Mr. W. F. Douglas, the editor of this paper, paid us a visit yesterday. He was returning to his home in Jefferson county, Arkansas. The *Independent* is conducted in one of the best counties in Arkansas, and one that will, if we hearkening aright, carry on an extensive business with our city. Our merchants would, therefore, do well to advertise with him.

THE CAPITAL.—We have been the recipients of some excellent and recherche beverages from the "Capital," which is situated on the corner of Bank Avenue and the Alley between Court and Madison streets. The gentlemen who preside at that bar are polite and skilled in the art of mixing up good beverages. They keep nothing inferior in their line.

ELDER ALEXANDER CAMPBELL.—Among the passengers by the steamer *Belfast* last evening, was the distinguished theologian whose name heads this paragraph. He will visit Lake Providence and vicinity Vicksburg, Jackson, Columbus and Aberdeen, and then take the southern route to Bethany, Va. He was accompanied by Elds. W. K. Pendleton.

FIRE.—The alarm of fire about five o'clock yesterday morning, was caused by the burning of an outbuilding connected with the residence of Mr. Wardlow Howard, on Shelby street, between Pontotoc and Linden. The damage was but trifling, although the building in question was in imminent danger at one time. The fire was caused by an incendiary.

NEGRO DROWNED.—A negro deck hand on the steamer J. G. Cline, was knocked overboard from the larboard guard forward of that boat, while in port here Thursday night, and drowned. He, in company with four others, was making some repairs upon the wheel, when they were all knocked overboard by its sudden revolution. Four of the men were saved from drowning.

☞ For one day in the history of our Recorder's Court there were no cases for trial before that tribunal. After the throng of delinquents at the beginning of the week, yesterday the Marshal commanded silence in the name of the State, and the Recorder dismissed the municipal vermin in vain. There had been no breaches of ordinances, no rows, no drunkenness, no misdemeanors—there is no report.

JAMES GLOVER, ESQ.—We were agreeably surprised yesterday by receiving a visit from our old friend, James Glover, Esq., one of the Superintendents of the Overland Mail, who is on a tour of business to his family in Middle Tennessee. Mr. Glover is in the enjoyment of most excellent health, and brings the news that Mr. Butterfield will soon stock the road from Memphis to Fort Smith with his own stock, which we hope will materially improve that part of the service.

A WAIF.—Some loiterers about the river, in the vicinity of Fort Pickering, yesterday, discovered a candle box floating in the stream, and caught it and brought it to the shore. Upon examination, the package was found to contain the body of a newly-born infant, that had died from violence, perhaps. The corner was sent for to investigate the mystery, and attention was attracted from the box for a time. When the corner arrived, behold! the box and body were missing. The waves from the river, doubtless, had swept the little waif away.

NEW LAW FIRM.—Our young and talented friend J. A. Blair, Esq., late of this city, has formed a law partnership with W. M. Inge, Esq., and R. N. Kinyon, Esq., in Tuscumbia, Alabama. We commend his family to Middle Tennessee. Mr. Glover is in the enjoyment of most excellent health, and brings the news that Mr. Butterfield will soon stock the road from Memphis to Fort Smith with his own stock, which we hope will materially improve that part of the service.

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IMPROVEMENT IN MACHINERY.—The present age is signalized above all that have preceded it, for the progress made in the useful arts. It is emphatically an age of invention. Every day witnesses some improvement in machines, so it now almost everything is done by machinery.

In company with a number of gentlemen, we for the first time saw in operation, at Baxter & Co.'s saw mill, McGeorge's celebrated shingle machine. We had thought that the saw alone had already been reached in this machine, but McGeorge's invention is far superior to all its predecessors. The shingles are cut out of the block by a circular saw, with such neatness as to give them the appearance of having been carved out with a knife. This machine is composed of iron and steel, and is made in the most permanent manner, embodying simplicity, strength and durability—is light, easily worked, and requires but a limited space for action. It will never be, like other mills, constantly out of repair, for its construction is such as to forbid such a conjecture; all the parts exposed to wear or friction are made of the best steel. It will saw with ease two thousand shingles per hour, dropping them perfectly complete and finished. Among the advantages which this machine possess are that it is the most simple, complete, comprehensive, and durable machine for making shingles, staves, and all kinds of lumber, that is now in use, or known to exist in the world. It can be operated with less power, and do more than double the work and do it better, than any machine now in existence, requiring one-half less number of hands to operate it. It will make from one-fourth to a third more shingles from a given amount of timber than can be made with any other machine. It will make a more perfect, uniform shingle, smoother and better, than can be made by hand or by any other machine extant. It will work in seasoned or green, hard or soft timber, and do its work equally as well in one as the other. It occupies less space, is less cumbersome, and in every way more convenient, than any mill yet found, can be put up for work in one hour, and not cost one dollar in setting up. The saw in this mill runs with perfect exactness, without the slightest vacillation or tremble to the motion of the saw. This mill will make from 20,000 to 25,000 shingles in ten hours, if the saw is kept in order, and the mill properly attended to as it should be.

It may be seen in operation at any time at Baxter & Co.'s saw mill, where orders for shingles are always filled at the shortest kind of notice.

Our friends, W. S. Wells and W. P. Lewis, have the rights for sale for a number of the Southern States. The machine will make a fortune for any man, if sale can be found for the shingles it will turn out.

### Council Meeting.

Council held an extra meeting last night, the President, Alf. Routlen, in the chair.

STRAIGHTENING THE BAYOU.

Ald. Copeland, from the Improvement Committee, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Mayor proceed to hire the lowest bidder, the Committee thinks, for the purpose of straightening the Bayou from Union to Poplar, that would connect with Monroe street when extended: Provided the right of way is given free of charge, to be done under the direction of the City Engineer.

THE JAIL.

Ald. Finnie offered a resolution that the Mayor have such repairs made about the Jail as are necessary, which was adopted.

A discussion took place respecting the condition of the Jail, in the course of which Ald. Dupree, of the Jail Committee, remarked that our Jail is not reformatory but destructive.

ACCOUNTS.

Ald. Robinson, from the Committee on Accounts, reported in favor of an Account of Mar'n. Bettis & Capps for $128, which was passed.

LIGHT.

Ald. Robinson offered a resolution in favor of the city lighting a lamp on Madison street, opposite the alley by the Gayoso and River Banks, the post to be put up by Messrs. Bettis & Capps, which was amended, making it necessary for the parties to pay for the gas, and it was passed.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Ald. Finnie offered a resolution, which was passed, requiring a gutter to be established on Tennessee street, from Main street to the river.

Ald. Dupree offered a resolution, which was passed, that the commissioner thus made of Second street, between Exchange and Market streets.

A resolution offered by Ald. Poole was passed, ordering lamp posts to be erected on Monroe, from Main to Fourth street; also on Shelby at the first alley south of Hernando row.

A resolution offered by Alderman Copeland was passed, that the east side of Shelby street, between Front and Butler, be macadamized, and the sewers notified to repair thus.

A resolution offered by Alderman Copeland was passed, directing the sewer on Causey street, between Real Estate Linden, to be repaired, and the street to be rounded up and made passable.

The same offered a resolution which passed, directing the City Engineer to furnish profiles of Lauderdale, Orleans, Jefferson extended, Court extended, Boundary Avenue and Bullitt street.

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The same offered a resolution, which was passed, that the Mayor purchase such lumber as is required to finish work entered by the Board, and the Recorder for the wire seats.

The same offered a resolution, which was passed, that W. B. Crosnoe & Co. build a sewer from St. Martin street to Bayou Gayoso, on Brown's avenue, and that the Street Commissioner build a side gutter planked the remaining of Brownlow and St. Martin streets.

Ald. Neal offered a resolution, which was referred to the Improvement Committee, that a committee be appointed to obtain the right of way for Fourth street, from Poplar to Raymond.

Ald. Robinson offered an ordinance which was referred to the Improvement Committee, that the property required to make an alley sixteen feet in width, extending from Washington to Turley, on the line dividing the lots property or south of it, to be condemned for public use.

Ald. Dupree offered a resolution which was adopted, instructing the Street Commissioner to remove the sidewalk on the west side of Chickasaw street at its junction with Gerstan street to Promenade street; also to place stone gutters on both sides of Main street at the north end of Bellevue, Gerstan street.

Ald. Robinson offered a resolution, which was passed, providing for securing the right of way to open Monroe street from Bellevue street to the Pigeon Road Road.

Ald. Robinson offered a resolution, which was adopted, directing the Street Commissioner to build a bridge over Little Bettie Bayou on Gerstan street.

Ald. Poindexter offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the gutters from Madison to Jefferson streets on the south side of Pigeon Road Road be laid down along the south side of Jefferson from Pigeon Road Road to Bayou Gayoso.

A PROPOSITION REFUSED.—Alderman Robinson offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the owner or owners of property fronting on the north and south side of Real street, from Lauderdale street to Bayou Gayoso, also on the west side of Lauderdale street, from Linden and Pontotoc, also on Poplar, from Bayou Gayoso to the eastern boundary of the city, from Water street, from Lauderdale street to Dollier street, also on the east and west side of Causey street, from Linden to Real, also on the east side of Lauderdale street, from Main to Second street, also Chickasaw, east side from Mill to Anchor streets, where pavements are not already laid, be required to lay down good brick pavements in front of their respective lots. The Mayor to present those who fail to do so.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS.

A resolution was adopted, proposed by Alderman Dupree, that the property holders on Madison street, in which the property of laying down a cedar roadway from the Memphis and Charleston depot to Front Row had been referred, be authorized to contract for this lating roadway, the direction, to be on Madison street twenty-four feet wide.

Alderman Copeland offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the above resolution be so amended, as to require the committee to receive proposals for paving Madison street with the cedar roadway.

A resolution was adopted, that the Marshal give notice to property-holders, on both sides of Madison street to the Chickasaw Railroad depot, to have pavements laid in front of their respective lots, in accordance with order required; also, on both sides of Adams street; also, that the gutters be laid on the east side of Main street between Market and Exchange streets.

A resolution was passed instructing the City Marshal to have all the alleys from Front Row west of the lower thoroughly cleaned as soon as possible with the street hands.

A resolution was adopted that gutters be laid on Third street from Madison to the Chickasaw depot.

THE PROMENADE.

A resolution offered by Ald. Finnie was referred to the Improvement Committee instructing the City Engineer to survey and lay off Promenade street, of 200 feet square, leaving the necessary streets for ingress and egress, and leaving 100 feet of the whole distance impenetrable on the bluff for a promenade, to be kept free of improvements. The lots so laid off to be put up at public auction on the second Monday in July annually, and re-sold to the highest bidder for one year, to be used, as now, for ice ting and storing ice.

PRIVATE.

A resolution was referred to the Improvement Committee that Phillip Dougherty be allowed the privilege to continue his privy constructed of his Mr. Miller where it now stands.

ADOPTED A SECOND TIME.

A resolution was adopted, offered by Ald. Dupree, requiring the sidewalk on the south side of Chickasaw street, at the crossing of Overton street, so as to open the street to the public, which was referred to the Mayor.

A resolution, offered by Ald. Rumple, was passed, that the gutter on Poplar street, from the Bayou bridge to Third street, be so changed as to conform to the bayou, as it has been changed, and to make the entire grade of the street uniform.

FLAGGING ALLEYS.

An ordinance was offered by Ald. Poole, that whereas the property holders on any alley leading from Second street to Front Row shall fail the same, all vehicles are forbidden to use the alley.

A number of petitions were presented, and the Board adjourned.

THE PROMETEA.—We have before us a work bearing the above title, which is a book of questions and answers on Delphic philosophy, designed to be studied in connection with Dr. Bullion's grammar, by Prof. Allen M. Scott, late principal of Harper Institute, Woodville, La. Prof. Scott has given versatile in the pursuit of letters, and as he has made the study of grammar, perhaps, a specialty, we have all confidence in the grammar of our own language. In this little work of less than two hundred pages, he has straightened many crooked paths in the literary journey of the student, and deserves the warmest thanks of teachers and pupils.

By the way, Professor Scott has become a citizen of Memphis, and we cordially welcome him back to the bosom of his native Tennessee. It is his design to establish an institution of learning in this city at an early day, to which he will devote much of his time to the education of the principles of grammar. We trust our citizens will give him a zealous support in his noble undertaking.

WHITE'S REPOSITORY.—We remind our business community of the merits of "White's Financial and Commercial Reporter and Counter-bill Detector," a publication which appears simultaneously in New York, Cincinnati, Louisville, and St. Louis. Dr. White, the publisher, is a gentleman of vast experience in monetary matters and possesses unusual facilities; and the information contained in his Reporter may be relied upon as strictly accurate. The publication is invaluable not only as a counterfeit detector but for the information which it contains as to financial matters in four of the leading points in the Union. We have an assurance of its reliability in the fact that all bank notes are redeemed by him or his agents at the quotations reported by him in either city above named. See card in another column.

MESSRS. DUVAL, ALSOP & CO.—These gentlemen having sold out their interest in the wharf-boat at the foot of Union street, will hereafter confine themselves exclusively to the ice business, which they intend to conduct on an extensive scale. Besides their large establishment on Beal street, they have also opened a house for the accommodation of the public on Monroe, between Second and Third streets, where they would be glad to serve their old friends and as many new ones as may think proper to patronize them. To say that they are excellent gentlemen would be simply to utter a truism which all would readily subscribe to.

CRIMINAL COURT.—In this tribunal, yesterday, the call of the misdemeanor docket was continued, and a large number of cases were disposed of. About one hundred presentments were made by the Grand Jury upon charges of gaming and violations of the tippling ordinance.

The case of John Delany, charged with larceny, was continued until the next term.

The present term of the court will adjourn to-day.

OUT THE RAIL.—We met with two distinguished railroad men in the city yesterday—Mr. H. C. Marshall, the General Ticket Agent of the Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland Railroad, and Mr. Spillman, Secretary of the Louisville and Frankfort and Lexington and Frankfort Railroad Company. Mr. Marshall left for New Orleans on the steamer Cleveland, and Mr. Spillman will take passage on the steamer Southerner to-day for Louisville.

## Port of Memphis

**River News.**

STEAMBOATS LEAVING TO-DAY

*[For particulars see advertisements.]*

For Louisville.....SOUTHERNER.....Triplett
For St. Louis.....J. H. DICKEY.....Able
For Napoleon.....DANIEL BOONE.....Hicks
For Vicksburg.....VICTORIA.....Wright
The White River.....BRIGGS.....Jones
For St. Francis River.....N. H. LANGLEY, B. B. Smith

ARRIVALS YESTERDAY.

Nashville.....Nashville | Chateau.....St. Louis
John Rogers.....New Orleans | J. E. Rhea.....New Orleans
Tuscumbia.....New Orleans | R. C. Ward.....Louisville
Gladiator.....St. Louis | Return.....White river

DEPARTURES YESTERDAY.

Nashville.....New Orleans | M. Chateau.....New Orleans
John Rogers.....New Orleans | J. C. Reed.....St. Louis
Tuscumbia.....Nashville | R. C. Ward.....New Orleans
Gladiator.....New Orleans | Belfast.....New Orleans

There was a palpable decline on the river at this point yesterday, but, owing to the strong winds which prevailed, no accurate measurement could be made. We learn from the officers of the R. J. Ward, which boat came down yesterday afternoon, that the upper rivers were all falling. By the course of the Napoleon, we may expect a steady decline here henceforward, until the Mississippi shall reach an ordinary stage.

The weather yesterday was variable. There was a light fall of rain early in the day, but the winds were just blown away; and during the afternoon we were treated to a "norther," the like of which we have not felt in this latitude since January. The atmosphere has been wonderfully cold and disagreeable. Business is the lower was dull.

We learned by telegraph last evening from Louisville, that the Ohio was stationary there, with seven feet water on the falls and ten feet in the canal.

At St. Louis yesterday the Mississippi was rising slowly, and was rapidly falling at Keokuk and Rock Island.

Accounts from above confirm the report that Lake Pepin has been opening the general thaw.

The officers of the steamer Benton, from Upper Missouri, reported that stream falling all the way down to the mouth.

The New Orleans Crescent, of the 19th, says the levee opposite New Orleans, at or near Bonnet Carre, gave way on the 18th, a breach occurring through which the ride of the river poured a resistless volume. It is probable that the adjacent country was very soon inundated, as the Opelousas Railroad track was washed away, or at any rate the cars were stopped. A boat was started up on Tuesday to take down the passengers.

At Vicksburg, on Wednesday, the river had risen an inch within the past twenty-four hours, and was still swelling.

Owing to the present extraordinary flood, says the Vicksburg Bulletin, of Wednesday, Col. Joseph E. Davis, whose place, in the lower part of Warren county, is badly under, obtained the services of the steamer McKee, Capt. Sanders, and removed 400 head of cattle to the vicinity of Grand Gulf. The same boat also took of 300 sheep from the same plantation, which were landed 2nd above Vicksburg, where they may find hills to browse on, that still forever rises high above the maddest flood that centuries can bring.

The Louisville Courier publishes a report to the effect that the Daniel Boone, Morning Star and Di Vernon, were to continue, and form a tri-weekly line hence to Cairo. We have heard nothing further of the contemplated opposition, but opine that our friend Clark, who is generally correct, was in error when he penned the paragraph.

The total shipments of cotton yesterday embraced 2 bales, of which the Belfast took 1 for Cincinnati and the R. J. Ward 100 bales, all for New Orleans.

DROWNED.—During the last trip of the Return to White River, a deck hand was foul overboard about sixty miles above the mouth, and drowned. The body could not be recovered. The deceased had shipped at this city, but was a native of Ireland.

THE STEAMER OAKLAND.—The steamer Oakland is doing a good business in White River, as a regular packet between Jacksport and Batesville.

NEW PACKET FOR WHITE RIVER.—Captain Riley informs us that the Cincinnati boat he is expectant of the construction of a new boat for the Memphis and White River trade. She is to be a side wheel craft, 206 feet in length, with good capacity for freight and passengers, and will cost $20,000. She will be ready for the trade, and in time of a fair freshet of Lawrenceville, Ark. The contract for the new boat was made by telegraph about a fortnight ago.

Capt. Silas Allen, of the R. J. Ward, has taken a lease of the Gulf House at Louisville, and will make the first passenger of the year the 15th of July. The command of the Ward, in the meantime, has been transferred to Mr. George Gray, the present freight clerk of the boat, who owns a one-fourth interest in the boat.

Capt. Charles Reynolds, late commander of the National Hotel at Louisville, will take command of the steamer Paducah, in place of Capt. Jas. Rhea, resigned. The Paducah is at present under command of Capt Jesse K. Bell.

Capt. McGill, the late commander of the steamer Paducah, is at Louisville, making arrangements to build a splendid new boat for the Louisville and New Orleans trade.

We are indebted to Mr. M. M. Temple, of the Nashville, to Messrs. Smith and Gray, of the Rose, J. Watt, to Mr. Bedell, of the Return, and to the officers of the Gladiator for late papers and other favors.

The Discount, which broke a cylinder and has been undergoing repairs at Louisville for some time, is not now, and was to have left Louisville for New Orleans on Wednesday last.

Lewis Pierce, of the New Orleans Sun, who had been suspended by the Local Inspectors at St. Louis, petitioned to be reinstated, but was refused.

A report has been circulated in this city that the Kate Bartlett had been sunk in the Wabash river. The statement, however, was erroneous.

The steamer J. H. Dickey, from St. Louis, day yesterday, had not arrived, at 12 o'clock last night. She had a deck load of down freight, and a heavy cup business, which was no doubt the cause of the delay.

The J. G. Cline did not get off to Vicksburg until yesterday morning, owing to the delay necessary for the repair of her machinery.

OUR CAIRO LETTER.

CAIRO, April 21.

DEAR APPEAL: Waiting for allowance for chills and fever, and dissatisfied of the military funds and all that sort of thing, with its attendants, which are the greatest nuisances (patent be that word) and so tolerable as not to be endured, I have been a very faithful correspondent. Please remember that communications are hereafter to be more explicit, (this is accepted, which is a very important proviso hereabouts.)

There is little news to tell you. Business is decidedly dull, mostly confined to shipments by railroad, and receipts are few indeed. Steamboats appear to prefer the shallow for miners, and, for the most part, obviously engaged in prosecuting a minority navigation, as our friend Tom Webster phrases it. Very few are coming put this point, but those few do not carry much freight or passengers, especially the latter class.

The Mississippi is falling here quite rapidly, drawing of the water from the Ohio, which is rising, and predicting a gradual fall at this point. The weather here is cheerly and quite warm, and the mosquitoes are making their appearance.

The J. C. Fremont and Kenmath passed up early yesterday morning. The Kenmath arrived in the morning, and the Champion in the afternoon. The Fremont came up last night. A deck passenger, name unknown, was killed on her shortly after leaving Memphis, by two bales bursed Kansas and Sacramento. The dead man was left here to be buried, and the two persons were taken to Louisville. The authorities at Memphis will be telegraphed.

The Henry Chapman went down last evening, with a good trip of freight.

The river now has a stand of St. Louis reaches yesterday, and is probably falling.

Yours, with the chills, WEBFOOT.

FOR LOUISVILLE.—The fast and splendid low-pressure steamer Southerner, Capt. G. W. Triplett, will leave for Louisville and all way places at 6 o'clock this afternoon, connecting at Louisville with the train and mailboats for Cincinnati and the East. She has the very best passenger accommodations, with careful and attentive officers. Capt. J. B. Archer has charge of the clerk's office, assisted by Messrs. McMichael and Peebles. A fine afternoon's ride.—Ad.

FOR ST. LOUIS.—The reliable and popular packet J. H. Dickey, Capt. Able, is the mail and passenger packet for St. Louis to-day, landing at all points on the Mississippi, despite the high water. The Dickey deserves long the support she is now out in the accommodation of our fellow men and the public on the line, as well as to make money for her owners. She is a splendid boat, with the accommodations, and clerks and officers, among whom is her attentive clerk, Mr. McDonald. Messrs. Thos. H. Williams & Co. are her agents.

FOR NAPOLEON.—The fast and scamperer steamer Dunbar Boone, Capt. Hicks, will leave as above at the usual hour this afternoon. She has just been renovated and splendidly refitted, and is now the fine est and most pleasant passenger boat on the Mississippi. Our accomplished friend, Capt. Hicks, is the clerk. Messrs Rawlings & McDowell are the agents.

FOR VICKSBURG.—Travelers for all along shore and through to New Orleans, should remember that the Victoria, Capt. L. J. Wright, will leave at the usual hour this afternoon. She is a new boat, with splendid accommodations and the modern conveniences. Messrs. Davidson and Waddell are the clerks, and they have no superiors in their line of duty. Messrs. Thos. H. Williams & Co. are her agents.

FOR WHITE RIVER.—Capt. Riley Jones' old reliable packet, the Return, will leave at the usual hour this afternoon for all points on White river. There is no such contingency as a failure with the Return, and she always takes the pleasure and fine people where she goes. Mr. James Boone is the clerk. For information or passage apply to Messrs. Pelosi & Bowen, agents, at No. 7 Monroe street.

FOR ST. FRANCIS RIVER.—The popular little steamer N. H. Langley, Capt. B. B. Smith, having been thoroughly refitted, will leave as above at 4 o'clock this afternoon. She is well adapted to the trade, with accommodations of the highest order, and officers familiar with the trade and deservedly popular with the public. Capt. B. G. Kennett has charge of the clerk's office. Messrs. Pelosi & Bowen are the agents.

**Receipts by River.**

NEW ORLEANS—per steamer Nebraska—A Street Nos. 7 bales; J J White Ann, 6 do; Dunn, Allen & co., 1 do; A Cocke Ann, 1 do; H M & C R Reed, 2 do; C R Church, 4 do; Chandler Ann, 47 do; Cook Ann, 7 do; Carles Ann, 3 do; Dunbar Ann, 1 do; P Pratchella Ann, 2 do; S Mansfield Ann, 5 do; G W Jones Ann, 14 do; Johnson & May 9 do; G W Gardner, 8 do; G N Carlton, 11 do; H S King Ann, 1 do; J W Hinkel Ann, 4 do; Hilliard & Butler, 10 do; Farnsworth Ann, 10 do; Kingsbury Ann, 69 do; J H B Ann, 15 do; J A Wardlaw Ann, 20 do; J M Wyckoff Ann, 7 do; Adams & Co Ann, 7 do; F P Frank, 18 do; J Wilkerson, 1 do; Stratton, McDevitt Ann, 1 do; Lowlen, Orgill Ann, 50 do; John Brown Ann, 4 do; J M Comin Ann, 9 do; Kinney Ann, 22 do; R A Parker & Son, 1 do; O K Dunlap, 20 do; P H H & Bro, 10 do; Plummer, Kingsbury Ann, 3 do; S B Williams Ann, 19 do; J P Richards, 1 do; W P Lewis, 1 do; Winston Ann, 6 do; Walker, Jefferson Ann, 197 do; Mason Ann, 7 do; Blackwell & Davis, 2 do; Wyatt & McClelland, 6 do; E M Kingsbury Ann, 1 do.

ST. LOUIS—Per steamer Gladiator—S W Yerkes, 3 bales; Worrell, Boner Ann, 1 bal; Miller & Harrison, 1 do; J Wright, 8 do; Fairchild & Morris, 1 bal; J Brown & Ames, Francisco Ann, 1 bal; K & O R R, 1 bal; Worrell & Mitchell, agent Johnston & Paul, 1 bal; Adams Express, 1 do.

For steamer Cleveland—Cotton, Tarpeiton agent.

LOUISVILLE—Per steamer John Rains—A Tamers, 11 bales; wines.

WHITE RIVER—per Steamer Return—H McGehee, 2 bales; Brown & co, 1 bal beef; Miller, 40 pkgs sdse; W R Christian.

☞ Navy Yard lots—eleven and twelve fronting on Chickasaw, Jackson and Poplar streets, will be leased out to-day by G. B. Locke & Co., at twelve o'clock, on the premises. Read the advertisement and attend the sale. A superior chance for a speculation.

PERSONAL.—Prof. John Preston, of the Louisville Law School, was a passenger to this city yesterday, by the steamer *R. J. Ward.*

Samuel Thomas, Esq., the well know Kentucky mail contractor, passed through this city yesterday.

DAMAGED GOODS.—A portion of my goods, having been damaged by the last heavy rain, I will sell them regardless of cost.

A. SEESELL,
m?201m 233 Main st., op. Court Square.

## Marriages, Deaths, Etc.

**The Sickles Case.**

WASHINGTON, April 22.—It is contemplated to submit the case to the jury without closing arguments from either the prosecution or the defense. The prosecution propose to instruct the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty, unless they believe Sickles to have been temporarily insane at the time of his killing Mr. Key. There is plenty of scandal about town, which involves the reputation of others besides the principal actors in this drama. It is currently reported that the jury had made up their minds a week ago, which accounts for the remarkable weakness of the rebutting testimony of the prosecution. Mr. Stanton apologized to Mr. Ould for hasty language used some days ago. Mr. Ould accepted the apology. The case will probably close tomorrow.

**River News.**

LOUISVILLE, April 22.—The river is six inches with seven feet on the falls and ten in the canal. The prospects are that it will continue to fall for a few days.

CINCINNATI, April 22.—The river is rising slowly at this point. It is rising rapidly at Keokuk and Rock Island. Lake Pepin is open now. Departed on Thursday, Belle Mitchell.

**The Steamships Arabia and Fulton at New York.**

NEW YORK, April 22.—The steamships Arabia and Fulton arrived to-day. The former's news was telegraphed from Halifax on the 20th, which anticipated the Fulton's.

**The Steamship Jura Signalled.**

BOSTON, April 22.—The steamship Jura has been signalled. Her advices are anticipated by the arrival of the Arabia.

**Telegraphic Markets.**

NEW YORK, April 22.—Cotton—In cotton the sales are unimportant. Flour—as market closed dull, sales of 6000 bbls; corn closed dull at 81c to 82 for mixed. Oats 43. Pork closed steady at 17 to $17.50.

CINCINNATI, April 22.—Pork—the market closed dull, sales of 300 bbls. Whisky—sales of 1000 bbls, at 22½ to 23. Lard closed firm at 11c. Bacon—sales in improved demand at 6¾ to 7¾. Molasses—Sales of 250 bbls at 34c. Bolters demand an advance. Coffee closed firm.

MEMPHIS REAL ESTATE.—There is no surer indication of the rapid growth of our city, than the readiness with which real estate is disposed of by those engaged in the business of brokers. One firm has sold in the past two months, at private sale, nearly two hundred thousand dollars worth of property. It happens, too, as we are advised, that at auction sales, by which the vendors desire to dispose of large quantities of ground on a single day, that the prices realized are almost, if not quite, equal to those obtained in private transactions.

The scarcity of money as required for ordinary mercantile negotiations, is to be accounted for by the fact that those who have surplus means, invest it in real estate, rather than in negotiable paper; such is the confidence of our people in the continued growth and prosperity of our city. And hence arises the fact that on the streets, money is worth from one and a half to two and a half per cent. per month.

To-day, if the weather will admit, we are to have another great auction of suburban lots, and another evidence will doubtless be given that the progress of our city is still onward and upward. Memphis has been built up without capital borrowed from the East, unlike other western cities. When the crash came, eastern capitalists withdrew their loans, foreclosed their mortgages, and the result has been that everywhere, real estate has declined save in this city, where there has been, for ten years past, a steady and rapid advance.

With the extension of our railway connections, this progress must continue, and no man need fear to invest in Memphis real estate till one hundred thousand people dwell upon the Chickasaw bluffs.

In this connection we invite attention to the great sale of property, by Messrs. Mosserat, Dupree & Co. to-day, the property sold in regard to which will be found in their conspicuous advertisement, in another column of our paper.

DEAFNESS AND BLINDNESS.—Dr. Von Moschzisker now enters upon his second month of labor in our city, in one of the most noble of all professions, that of an oculist and aurist. As to his capacity of restoring sight and hearing, there can be but one opinion, that if such is within the reach of man and science, he is more than any one, able to accomplish it. We have heretofore given what may be styled complimentary notices, in calling the attention of the affected to his presence in our city, but we must acknowledge we have not half fulfilled the duty due to that gentleman, for his visit here should not be regarded as an ordinary one. We have seen letters written by those in whom we can place the utmost confidence, whose case of deafness we ourselves believed beyond the reach of medical skill, as they have been told by some physicians that such was the case, and in whose restoration we personally rejoice. One of our personal friends whom the doctor has cured, in a letter now before us, justly reproaches the press for not taking sufficient interest in a man of Dr. Von Moschzisker's standing. We are, however, happy to say that his reputation is too well established to require further praise; his rooms are continually crowded with patients, and we learn that there is but one expression of opinion, that he is fully deserving of the high patronage he has thus far received, and we really fully believe that many unfortunates, when we earnestly wish to impress all who are suffering from deafness or blindness to submit their case without hesitation or further delay to the care of Dr. Von Moschzisker. We cannot close this notice without stating that he will be found by all who consult him, not only a scientific oculist and aurist, but a high toned and honorable gentleman, and in every respect beyond the need of undertaking any case for the mere pecuniary benefit he may derive, which is indeed too often the case with those who profess this noble profession. His labors have gained him friends among some of the most noted public men of our Union, as his letters show, and golden opinions from all who have had any dealing with him, which has placed him preminently in an enviable position. Be it remembered that his stay here is drawing to a close, and not a day should be lost in consulting him. His rooms are at the Gayoso House.

## Business Notices

Go and see the excelsior shingle machine in operation at the Gayoso House, making a superior article of shingles from all sorts of timber, without a waste of shavings or sawdust, at the rate of one shingle per second, by hand power. It can be worked by hand, horse, water or steam power. The public are most respectfully invited to examine this machine. Machines, county or State rights for sale by SEELEY & CHISM.
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The property offered for sale at public auction on Saturday next by Mossarrat, Dupree & Co., is that splendid tract of land owned by Jack Hays, Esq., and is the most elevated and desirable suburban property that has been offered for years. The terms are so liberal that almost any person can possess themselves of a splendid home.

Sold on one, two and three years credit, with simple interest.
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THE RACES.—The Spring races of the Memphis Course commence Monday, May 2d, and continue during the week.
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SPARTA ACADEMY LOTTERIES.—The drawing of the Sparta Academy Single Number Lotteries, under the direction of Wood, Eddy & Co., takes place at Augusta, Georgia, every Saturday. An agency has been established for the sale of tickets in Hopefield, Ark. All orders addressed to Box 206, Postoffice, Memphis, will be promptly attended to. Tickets, $10; Halves, $5; Quarters and Eighths in proportion.
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Refer to Strauss, Lehman & Co.'s column on fourth page.

Lands for sale—see Hopkins & Kirby's card on the first page.

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

Refer to Speed, Donaho & Strange's column.

In another column, see the advertisement of GEORGE PATTISON & Co., Booksellers and Stationers, 263 Main street, near Madison street.

HARDWARE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, etc.—If you are in want of such goods, read advertisement of Lowbes, Orgill & Co., on fourth page.

THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY BALL OF THE STEUBEN ARTILLERY.

THE members of this company will celebrate their First Anniversary by a grand parade on MONDAY, the 25TH INST., commencing with a Ball at night, to be given in EXCHANGE HALL. Tickets may be had of the

MANAGERS.

Capt. Wm. Miller. 1st Lt. M. Maier.
2d Lt. John Gerard. M'L'D F. Evans.
O. S. F. M. Frank. Jno. L. Bertig.

Members of Military Companies will be admitted only in uniform.
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**New Music Store,**

**PROVINE & STEWART'S BLOCK.**

A FIRST CLASS MELODEONS VIOLINS, FLUTES, GUITARS, ACCORDIONS, MUSIC BOOKS and SHEET MUSIC, which is by far the largest and best selected stock ever offered in this city. The Pianos are from the world-renowned makers, STEINWAY & SON, J. E. DONHAM and A. H. GALE & CO. Every Piano is fully warranted, and will be sold at New York prices, the freight only added. My stock of Sheet Music is very large, embracing all the new and popular pieces of the day. If you want the best Pianos and all the latest prices, call on JAS. A. MCGUIRE,
No. 300 Main street.

N. B.—All orders for tuning and repairing Pianos will be promptly attended to.
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## Commercial Matters.

MEMPHIS DAILY APPEAL OFFICE, SATURDAY, April 23, 1859.

COTTON—There was no market yesterday. Prices were entirely unsettled, and we therefore omit quotations. Little or nothing will be done until the arrival of another steamer from New Orleans, when the full stock we have on hand will necessarily limit business. The sales since our report of Friday, 15th inst., am