MEMPHIS APPEAL.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1866.

Office—No. 13 Madison Street.

Our Business Office

Will be opened from 5 o'clock A. M., until 9 P. M. Advertisers will please bear this in mind and hand in their favors early.

The Mails Close,

For Fort Pillow, Randolph, Austin and Grenada, three times a week, via Memphis & Charleston and Mississippi Central Railroad.

For Cincinnati, Louisville and Cincinnati, daily, 2:15 p. m. via Nashville & Decatur Railroad.

For New York, Richmond, Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington and all Eastern cities, daily at 2:15 p.m., via Memphis & Charleston Railroad and East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad.

For Cairo, Chicago, St. Louis, and Northern and Western points, daily at 12 p.m., via river to Cairo.

For Pittsburg, river and way landings, three times a week.

For Memphis and Mobile, and Mobile & Ohio Railroad, three times a week, at 2:15 p.m.

For Mississippi & Tennessee Railroad, three times per week, at 5 p.m.

For Memphis & Ohio Railroad, daily, at 2:30 p.m.

For Little Rock and White River, three times a week, at 4 p.m.

LOCAL MATTERS.

FORMER HILL FEMALE SEMINARY.—We take pleasure in recommending this pleasant school to our readers. The institution is in a healthy locality, and has charming scenery around it. Its principal, Mrs. Miller, is certainly a very kind hearted lady, of prepossessing qualities, and to all that can possibly be required of the principal of a Female Seminary.

THE CONCERT FOR THE BENEFIT OF CAPERS CHAPEL.—The concert for the benefit of Capers Chapel will be given this evening, under the auspices of Prof. Wheckler, in the Capers Chapel, on the south side of Union street, east of the Depot, and next beyond the house formerly occupied by Capt. A. B. Shaw. The Chapel will be comfortably heated and well lit up on the occasion. The Concert will commence at eight o'clock. Doors open at seven.

FIRE.—The alarm of fire, between the hours of seven and eight o'clock yesterday evening was caused by the burning of a small stable near Main street, in the rear of Engine House No. 4.

CHANCERY COURT.—This Court met yesterday, pursuant to adjournment. No business of importance was transacted. There are now fourteen hundred and forty-four cases on docket.

SAVE YOUR WHITE RAGS.—Save your white rags and send them to the City Hospital, in the cause of charity. The use for the article is very large, as it is used exclusively for bandaging purposes.

BREAKER'S CIDER.—Twenty-four cases were sold before Acting Alexander Cotton, yesterday morning. The sum of seventy-one dollars was collected for fines imposed.

ROBBED.—Thomas Fitzgerald was knocked senseless, and robbed of the sum of fifteen dollars, at a saloon on Poplar street, on Monday night last. The blow inflicted is a very severe and dangerous one. He was taken to the City Hospital for treatment.

GOOD NEWS.—We are happy to be able to state that the bridge over the Tallahatchie has been completed by the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, and that trains are now running through to Grenada. This news will be hailed with pleasure by a large portion of the traveling community.

VILLAINOUS.—A young man named John Joyce, a printer, and one who bears a most excellent reputation, was assaulted and badly beaten by a gang of ruffians Monday night last, on the corner of Washington and Front streets. He was knocked and cut up in a frightful manner. The perpetrators of this villainous act made good their escape.

I. O. O. F.—We are informed that the M. W. G. M. of Prescott, installed the officers of Memphis Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F., last evening, as follows: Chas. Rohmer, N. G.; John K. Bangle, V. G.; John McGuire, R. Secretary; Henry Gerst, P. Secretary; Benj. Hollander, Treasurer. The lodge appears to be in a flourishing condition, as is the order in the city generally.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.—Thos. McMahon, a blacksmith of this city, while coming from the Circus on Monday night last, received a fatal wound from the accidental discharge of a pistol, in the pocket of a gentleman named Berry. The wounded man was immediately removed to his house, and medical aid promptly summoned, without, however, resulting in any permanent good, as he died yesterday morning.

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.—It may be of interest to disciples of the "cue" to know that on the twelfth of the coming month, a grand billiard tournament will commence in this city, under the auspices of Mr. J. M. Richardson. It is expected that Dudley Kavanagh, Carme, McDaniel, Tieman, and others of lesser note in their profession will be present on the forth coming occasion. The table used will be one of Kavanagh & Decker's best manufacture.

CONCERT NATIONAL AIRS.—Italian Opera! Allow me, on behalf of the moral and religious portion of the community, to thank you for your able article in this morning's issue in reference to those vile dens of infamy, called "Concert Saloons." It is a disgrace to the city that such indecencies are tolerated, by which scores, and probably hundreds of young men are ensnared in sin. I am glad one public journal of the city has the moral courage to denounce these vile practices, and write the young men against visiting them. I hope the other city papers will use it to the duty due to enter their protest against all such concerns, and that the city government will also see it to be their duty to abate them as common nuisances. You say this evil is of Northern origin. Being a Northern man myself, I take no pride in that statement. But if it be true, it shows that while the North can produce specimens of the Sambo and Quaco character, it can also produce those that are a disgrace to the human form. But whether they come from the North or the South, East or West, I hope they will soon be shaded by the law, hurled up by a healthy public opinion.

Respectfully yours, Z. Y.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND TENNESSEE RAILROAD.—We make the following extract from the Ninth Annual Report of the President and Directors of the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, relative to its financial condition: "By reference to our Treasurer's Report, it will be seen that the floating indebtedness of the Company in the shape of bills payable, amount to $39,475 68 and change notes in circulation $13,156 46, making an aggregate of $52,632 03. To this amount must be added accruages of interest on funded and floating indebtedness, amounting to about $20,000; twelve month notes payable for freight, etc., given to merchants of Memphis for cotton loans on account of reconstruction, $50,000; amount that will be due McNairy, Challis & Co., for construction of bridges across Tallahatchie and Yalobusha rivers, payable in course of fifteen months, $40,000; estimated amount that will be due United States Government for locomotives and cars, payable in course of two years, $60,000, making an aggregate floating indebtedness of $182,632 03. These are formidable figures, but with good management, we need not despair of winding it off by a few years of uninterrupted operation of the road. The necessary outlays to make the road productive have nearly all been made up to a few weeks the engine and machine will be put to work, and all the productive results of its giant energies, after paying operative expenses, Government taxes and interest on funded debt, will be applied to the extinguishment of that indebtedness."

SHOCKING CASUALTY.—One of the most horrible and shocking casualties that has ever occurred in this section of the country, and one that has excited the most genuine sympathy, and the saddest feelings of the community, took place yesterday morning, between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock, in the kitchen of the Hotel Gerst (formerly occupied by Inlay & Co., as a grocery store) on Adams, between Second and Third streets. From what we have been able to learn, it appears that Mr. Joseph F. Fowlkes was in the kitchen with Mrs. Vogel proprietress of the hotel, and the cook, a middle aged woman named Mrs. Mary Harrington. While there Mr. Fowlkes set a can of varnish on the cooking stove, containing some turpentine, for the purpose, it seems, of reducing the body of the varnish. It became heated so quickly and so violently that an explosion immediately followed, and the clothes of the females were in an instant wrapped in flames. They rushed from the kitchen to a room above, where every assistance was rendered, but which proved, too unhappily, unavailing. The scene which was witnessed by many, during and after the occurrence, were of too revolting and heart sickening a nature to be put in print. It can well be imagined, the amount of suffering and pain borne by these unfortunate victims of the affair. At about half past two, yesterday, death kindly intervened in behalf of Mrs. Harrington, and her sufferings were at an end, being, however, at the time in a perfectly sensible condition, and aware of the ordeal of death, the spiritual rites of the Roman Catholic Church, at the hands of the Reverend Father Powers. She has left behind her a pleasing little girl of about eight or ten years of age, at present under charge of sister Mary in Chanel Superior of the Sisters of the Holy cross, and to whose care Mrs. Harrington was committed. The sufferings of Mrs. Vogel were prolonged to about four o'clock, at which time, it will be a sad consolation for her many friends to know, that her troubled spirit took wing for another, and we hope, a better land. Mrs. Vogel was a widow lady, pretty well advanced in years, and the mother of two daughter. She was proprietress of the Hotel Gerst, and has been a resident of Memphis for a number of years. Mr. Joseph Fowlkes, was very severely injured in his efforts to save the ladies. He will, no doubt, eventually recover, but will be confined to his bed for weeks to come. A sad and sorrowful sight was the effect of the terrible calamity upon the daughters of Mrs. Vogel, who they had just returned to the house, entirely unconscious of anything that had happened. When they became aware of it, every feeling that can be experienced over the loss of a kind and gentle mother, and in such an unexpected and calamitous manner, was felt, and too plainly exhibited by them. Their agonizing and soul stricken cries could not fail to draw tears to the eyes of the most complete stoic.

CITY NEWS.

Memphis Banks.—The "Home Insurance and Trust Company" this morning declares a dividend of twenty per cent. upon its capital for six months, as seen in our advertising column. The statements and dividends declared by the banks of Memphis, for the last three years, show them to be not only sound and well managed, but profitable to the Stock holders.

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.—The Board met last night pursuant to adjournment.

Chairman Hill presiding.

A quorum being announced, the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Mayor Park, in his message, stated that he had not changed his opinion relative to the donation of sets each to Protestant and Catholic Orphan Asylums, and that he still withheld his approval, on the ground that the asylums had asked for nothing. He recommended that all drays be required to have their numbers painted on the shafts of their drays, on both sides, in as large numbers as the width of the shafts would admit, with black ground and white letters. This, the Mayor, recommended should be done within the next ten days. He also recommended that permission be granted for the erection of stairways and openings to cellars. He also said that no action of the Board would be sanctioned by him, wherein permission is granted to encumber the entire sidewalks of alleys, on the ground that the sidewalks are intended for the disposal of alleys or sidewalks for private use. In relation to the permanent paving of the streets, he recommended that a committee be appointed to inform the Board if they can force property owners to pave the streets fronting their property. He indorsed the Nicholson pavement, as that pavement had received full approval on trial at St. Louis.

Quarterly Report of Chief Engineer.

Total Expenses during the Quarter	$ 9,268 87
Number of Fires	8
Loss Sustained	321 50 00
Amount of Insurance	59,000 00

The Chief Engineer recommended the building of a cistern on the corner of Market and Third streets, and one on the corner of Main and Gayoso streets.

Reports.

The Street Commissioner reports his total expenses for the month at $2,986 93.

The Chief of Police, Chief Office, reported the number of arrests for the past month, to be 96. Fines and costs accruing from the same, $1,861 00. The Captain of the Day Police reported 225 arrests during the past month, from which $1,746 in fines and costs were collected.

Wharfmaster Butler reported the sum of $6,767 50 as the total amount of receipts during the past month.

The Collector on Privileges, Mr. Fisher, reported receipts for the past month to be $11,225.

A communication from Chief of Police Garrett, condemning alleys as nuisances, and also condemning the new readings lately laid on some of our principal streets.

Tax Collector Warner reports receipts during the past month amounting to $21,543.

A committee was appointed to investigate the claims of Messrs Taft & Gear and Mr. G. P. Cotton.

Improvement Committee.

The following accounts were reported favorably and allowed: P. Moriarty, $56; Dennis Savage, $100; E. Keeler, $56; B. Lavigne, $36; Jas. Ford, $75; D. H. Green, $36; Williams & Co., $85; Glasgow & Co., $182 44; Nolan & Lindsey, $52; Williams & Co., $2; Page & Co., $75; J. Kelly, $108 25; M. Kelly, $92; Lum & Mallon, $36.

The report of the Committee, and the petition of the First National Bank, asking for permission to erect stairs in the alley adjoining the Bank, and sale of the lots in the table.

Committee on Accounts.

The following accounts were reported favorably upon and allowed: S. P. Rawlings, $30; W. R. Smith & Son, $40; P. M. Dickinson [illegible]; Pat Hawley, $20; C. F. Chamberlain & Co., $9 62; Mich't Burke, $112; W. H. Bridges, $25; J. Newsom, $28; Thos. Fisher, $57; J. H. McNally, $20; John Glasse, $36; John Park, $25; F. L. Warner, $72; Jno. Gallagher, $28; S. P. Rankhead, $60; W. Clark, $62; S. Ferguson, $60; T. H. Conway, $25; J. J. Butler, $28 75; C. N. Martin, $6 25.

The Police Committee reported favorably on a number of accounts, all of which were allowed.

Wharf Committee reported favorably on the petitions of parties applying for location on the levee for wharfboats.

Market Committee all accounts coming under this head were allowed.

The accounts presented by the Hospital Committee were reported favorably upon and allowed.

The Committee on Ordinance

Reported favorably on the ordinances changing the names of Pigeon Road and Raleigh road.

The School Committee reported favorably upon a number of accounts, which were allowed.

The Special Committee reported in favor of adopting the list of Mr. Polwell for school purposes.

Petitions.

A memorial from the People's Passenger Railway Company, praying that laws be enacted by which they shall be enabled to proceed with the construction of their street railroad. Referred to a special committee consisting of five members of the Board.

Alderman Tuohy presented a petition from 27 ladies, asking for the opening of Wellington street from Beal to Union streets, and for improvements of the crossings. Referred to Improvement Committee and City Engineer.

Resolutions.

Alderman Tool offered a resolution that a committee of five be appointed to confer with our representative "a-coming" at Washington, relative to the propriety of establishing a navy yard at this point, which was unanimously adopted.

Alderman Kelly offered a resolution authorizing Alderman Hilsdiel, on his trip North, to make inquiries relative to the purchase of a new steam engines, and that he report the same to this Board. Adopted.

Alderman Tool offered a resolution asking for the City Attorney, at his leisure, to take the means necessary to be taken in accomplishing the abatement of the nuisances "free and easy" concert saloons in the city. Adopted.

A series of preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Tool, the tenor of which fixes the fees and others are compelled to pay, within ten days notice, for the city clerk in the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, sold to said parties in October, 1865. Adopted.

Alderman Hilsdiel offered a resolution, authorizing the discharge of the extra police force called out during the holidays. Adopted.

Alderman Leonard offered a resolution relative to the sale of all dressed meats in accordance with the plan suggested by the Mayor, in his message, and that the same be done within the next ten days. Adopted.

The Board then stood adjourned.

The absence of Alderman Cross last evening, robbed the meeting of that bale of eloquence, sound legislating native wit and bad English, which is usually thrown around it during the presence of the lovely minister from the Eighth. The business before the Board was transacted, however, by the members present.

For First National Bank.—The Sixth Quarterly Report of this Bank will be found in our advertising columns, from which it will be seen that the institution is in a flourishing condition, and reflects great credit upon its officers.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Speckt's.—In our jumbles yesterday we dropped in upon our old friend Joseph Specht, at No. 37 Madison street, and spent an hour in looking through his well regulated establishment, and watching the crowd which was attracted thither by the cake and confectionaries which he has prepared for his customers during the holy days. As every one knows that they are of his own manufacture, and not the stale articles imported from the North, of course he has received the lion's share of the patronage in this line, a magnificent oyster saloon for ladies has been opened out in real oriental style, and where polite and attentive gentlemen are ready to serve, and the bivalves are served in splendid style.

Bed Blankets, very cheap at Menken, Bros' & Co.'s.

Columbian Gin.

Wanted.—To buy a comfortable dwelling house and lot in fee, containing five to six rooms, in a good neighborhood. Apply to I. Bloch & Co., 274 Front street, for three days. jan2 2t

Any One and Every One wanting bed blankets, should look these cheap they are sold at Menken, Bros. & Co.'s.

For Rent.—A Large Hall, on Main street, No. 332, fourth story, size 75 by 85 feet. For particulars apply on the third story of same building, within two or three days, to the undersigned.

Jan 3—2t WM. M. PERKINS.

Party Silks, of all shades, just received at Menken, Bros. & Co.

Just Received and for sale to the trade, and at retail, 50,000 valentines in lots to suit purchasers. Also, 50 dozen diaries for 1866.

jan2 2t EMMONS & SON,
No. 19 Jefferson street, Memphis, Tenn.

Cheap very cheap Goods at Menken Bros. & Co.

The Messrs. Brackett & Co. offer great inducements to those wishing to purchase stock, as they have a large sale this morning at their Mart. See their advertisement in another column.

Lovely Opera Cloaks at Menken, Bros. & Co.

Mules.—Sixty head of fine young mules, well broke. Also, twenty head of fine Kentucky horses are for sale cheap at Crisler & Evans' livery stable, on Third street, opposite the post office. jan2 2t

Columbian Gin.

Ladies of Memphis, go to Menken, Bro.'s & Co., and see the beautiful Dress Goods at 20 cents, worth 75 cents a yard.

Great Reduction continued at Mack. Bros. & Solon, No. 20 Main street, who will close out their entire and immense stock of Dress Goods, Cloaks, Shawls, Hosiery, Blankets, etc., at less than cost. Ladies, now is your time to purchase bargains, and when you go out shopping call at Mack Bros. & Solon. jan2 2t

Valuable Holiday Gifts.—We have greatly enlarged our stock of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware and Fancy Goods, in which will be found many choice articles for the gift season.

F. H. CLARK & CO.,
Corner of Main and Madison streets.
dec29 2w

To Epicures.—Those who are fond of the good things of this earth, in the shape of every edible served in the best style of art, should remember the Gold Eagle Restaurant, on Madison, between Main and Front, as their cook has a wide spread reputation, and their viands would make the mouth of an epicure water.

Columbian Gin.

Cosmopolite.—This excellent magazine, on which the very best talent of the country has been employed, is published at Baltimore. For a table of contents for the January number, please see advertisement in another column. It is a most excellent magazine, published monthly at only four dollars per annum.

Oh how Beautiful!—New goods of all kinds received to day at Menken, Bros. & Co.

H. P. Treat, Madison street, near the bayou Hemp stock of agricultural implements. Blacksmithing of every description. Wagons made to order. Call on H. P. Treat for anything from a hoe to an engine.

Important to All.—Menken, Bros. & Co. are selling beautiful poplins at 30 cents, worth 75 cents a yard.

RIVER MATTERS.

Since our last report the following have been the

Arrivals.

Steamer Commercial, from White river.
" Harry Dean, from Cincinnati.
" Pauline Carroll, from New Orleans.
" Olive Branch, from Cairo.

During the same period the following have been the

Departures.

Steamer Dee Vernon, for Vicksburg.
" Miami, for Arkansas river.
" Daily Chance, for Arkansas river.
" M. Hamilton, for St. Francis river.
" Pauline Carroll, for Cairo.
" Olive Branch, for New Orleans.

The following is a list of the remaining

Boats in Port.

H. Von Phul, Kate Swan, Little Rock,
Zephyr, Nannie Byers, Sallie List,
Emperor, Harry Dean, Celeste,
Golden, Pilgrim, Bacona,
Jas. Raymond, Amelia Poe, Commercial.

Weather and Rodiness.

The weather is lovely and business on the levee brisk.

The river still continues to rise.

Miscellaneous.

Capt. Shirley informs us that the St. Patrick, with the gallant Capt. Hart in command, will leave for Louisville and intermediate points this evening.

The steamer Dee Vernon departed for Vicksburg with a good trip of miscellaneous freight.

The evening of the 6th of October, the elegant and commodious steamer Henry Von Phul, will depart for New Orleans and way points. Capt. Jas. Allen, the gentleman in command, is an old caterer to the traveling public, and knows from experience, the wants of shippers and travelers. Messrs. Burke and Ryland are in the office, always willing to impart in a social and polite manner, all information required of them. The merchants of Memphis could not bestow their patronage on a more worthy crew or craft.

The steamer Commercial will positively depart for White river this evening.

We have neither arrivals nor departures above than those published in our issue of yesterday.

Shippers are requested to send the Permits with the first dray used of cotton, so as to avoid any trouble or detention. J. V. LEWIS, Agt.
jan2 2t Wharfboat A. & M. S. S. Co.

Boats Leaving Port.

FOR CAIRO AND ST. LOUIS.—The splendid and swift passenger packet Harry Dean, leaves our wharf for the above and way points this day at 5 o'clock P. M. Shippers having freight for above have a splendid opportunity by this boat and passengers may assure themselves of a pleasant trip. James T. Bourne & Co., No. 12 Jefferson street, agents.

FOR PINE BLUFF AND LITTLE ROCK.—The commodious and elegant passenger packet Gladiator, will depart for the above and intermediate points, on this day, at 5 p. m. This boat is fast gaining favor with the urbane and attentive officers now in command she will continue to receive a considerable share of patronage. For particulars apply to R. W. Lightburn, Secretary, or N. S. Green, No. 278 Front street, agents.

FOR VICKSBURG AND NEW ORLEANS.—The magnificent passenger steamer Henry Von Phul will leave as above, on this day, at 5 o'clock p. m. She is lying at the foot of Jefferson street and will receive cotton and freight to-day. This is one of the most elegant and popular of our river and passenger boats, and shippers would find it to their advantage to patronize this superb steamer. James T. Bourne & Co., No. 12 Jefferson street, and Johnson and Wright, No. 352 Front street.

FOR JACKSONPORT.—The fine passenger packet Commercial will leave for Jacksonport on this day evening, at 5 o'clock p. m. She is an elegant boat—possessing everything that is essential to the comfort and pleasure of the traveler—and we take pleasure in commending her to the consideration of the public.

FOR NEW ORLEANS.—The magnificent passenger steamer W. R. Carter, will clear for New Orleans, and intermediate points, this day at 12 m. J. V. Lewis, agent.

FOR NEW ORLEANS.—The splendid and commodious passenger packet Mississippi, leaves as above on Thursday, at 12 o'clock m. This is one of our best and most comfortable steamers, and commanded by an efficient and agreeable corps of officers, who are well known to Southern travelers. J. V. Lewis, agent.

FOR CINCINNATI.—The Robert Burns, a magnificent passenger packet, is in and reliable, leaves the wharf on Thursday at 4 o'clock for the above and intermediate points. Passengers and shippers are directed for particulars to Larry Harmstead, No. 14 Jefferson street, and Enoch Taylor, No. 276 Front street.

FOR CAIRO, LOUISVILLE AND CINCINNATI.—The splendid passenger packet Amelia, will leave for Cincinnati, touching at all way points, Thursday at five o'clock p. m. This boat combines an excellent reputation, and we would advise shippers and travelers to call on board for freight or passage.

COMMERCIAL.

Imports.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 2.—The imports of yesterday, as copied from the books of the Merchants' Exchange, were as follows:

4 bbls. Lime, 24 pkgs. Butter, 1 bbl. Apples, 25 bbls. Onions, 70 sacks. Potatoes, 1 bbl. Apples, 1 bbl. Beans, 1 bbl. Cabbages, 1 bbl. Butter, 20 bbls. 120 kgs. Cheese, 62 bbls. Cotton, 55 bales. Candles, 7 bbls. Candy, 40 boxes. Cheese, 62 bbls. Coffee, 148 sacks. Corn, 300 sacks. Cotton Seed, 350 sacks. Eggs, 11 bbls. 7 kgs. Flour, 25 bbls. Furniture, 161 pkgs. Glass Ware, 9 pkgs. Hams, 8 pkgs. Hats, 9 cases. Hogs, 24 head.

Wholesale Market.

BAGGING,	
India	0 22 @ — 22
Hard-loom	— 20 — 21
Power-loom	— 18 — 19
BROOMS, per dozen	4 25 @ 6 00
BEANS, per market	
Navy	1 75 @ 2 00
BUTTER, per pound,	
Roll	40 @ 45
Inspd.	35 @ 40
CANDLES, per pound,	
Star	22 @ 23
CHEESE, per pound,	
Common	22 @ 24
Choice	24 @ 25
COFFEE, per pound,	
Rio	22 @ 24
Java	28 @ 30
CHICKENS, per dozen	7 00 @ 8 00
CORN MEAL	5 00 @ 5 50
Onions, per dozen	40 @ 50
FEED,	
Hay, per ton	25 00 @ 30 00
Infrdad Hay, per ton	24 00 @ 25 00
Bran	20 00 @ 20 00
Corn, per bushel	1 12½ @ 1 20
Oats	60 @ 65
FLOUR, per barrel,	
Superfine	7 50 @ 8 00
Single Extra	8 50 @ 9 00
Double Extra	11 00 @ 11 50
Choice Double Extra	11 50 @ 12 00
Fancy Brands	13 50 @ 14 00
FISH,	
Mackerel No. 1, per bbl	21 50 @ 22 00
" No. 2	19 00 @ 20 00
" No. 1, half bbl.	12 50 @ 13 00
" No. 2, half bbl.	10 50 @ 11 00
" No. 1, per kit	3 50 @ 3 75
" No. 2 "	2 50 @ —
Dry Cod, per pound	10 00 @ 11 00
White Fish, per hf bbl	8 00 @ 10 00
FRUIT, per barrel,	
Apples, green	4 00 @ 7 00
Dried Apples, new	16 @ 18
Peeled Apples, old	16 @ 17
GUNPOWDER,	
Quarter kegs	— @ 5 00
Half kegs	— @ 8 50
Keg	12 00 @ 14 00
HARDWARE,	
Nails, per keg	9 00 @ 10 00
Cut Spikes	8 25 @ 9 00
Wrought Boat Spikes	12 00 @ 15 00
Casting Hollow Ware, per lb	9 @ 10
Bar Iron	4 @ 4½
Horseshoe Iron	10 @ 12
Nail Rod	18 @ 20
Cast Steel, English	35 @ 40
Blister Steel, English	30 @ 35
German Steel	20 @ 25
Manilla Rope	30 @ 35
HEMP, per pound	7½ @ 8
LARD, per pound,	
In tierces	27 @ 28
In kegs	28 @ 30
LIME,	
Cape	3 00 @ 3 75
MOLASSES, per gallon,	
Barrels and half barrels	1 00 @ 1 15
Kegs	1 10 @ 1 75
OILS, per gallon,	
Linseed	80 @ — 90
Lard	2 40 @ 2 50
Sperm	2 50 @ 3 00
Linseed	1 65 @ 1 75
Castor	2 50 @ 2 75
Benzine	50 @ 60
PROVISIONS,	
Pork, mess, per barrel	32 00 @ 33 00
Clear Sides, per pound	23 @ 24
Shoulders	20 00 @ 20 00
Breakfast	24 @ 25
Hams, plain	nominal.
Hams, sugar cured	30 @ — 3
Beef, rounds, per barrel	23 00 @ 24 00
Beef, cured	24 00 @ 25 00
ROPE,	
Machine	18 @ 19½
Hand	18½ @ 17
RICE, per pound,	
In barrels	14 @ 15
SUGAR, per pound,	
Crushed and powdered	9 @ 9
Clarified	9 @ 9
Brown	12 @ 13
SALT, per barrel,	
SOAP, per pound,	
German	15 @ 16
Palm	9 @ 11
Common	9 @ 11
SODA, per pound	15 @ 16
SPICES,	
Allspice	37 @ 42
Cloves	90 @ 95
Ginger	40 @ 45
Nutmegs	1 75 @ 2 00
Pepper	35 @ 40
Mustard	1 00 @ 1 25
TAR, per gallon	75 @ 80
TOBACCO, per pound,	
Black twist, 7½ and 8ds.	70 @ 75
Navy, pounds	65 @ 70
Navy, half pounds	70 @ 75
Medium bright, half pounds	90 @ 1 00
Common, fine, out of order	50 @ 60
Medium bright, pounds	1 00 @ 1 10
Fine bright, pounds	1 25 @ 1 50
Smoking	40 @ 1 00
TEA, per pound,	
Green	1 75 @ 2 25
Black	1 00 @ 1 50
VINEGAR, per barrel	12 00 @ 15 00
VEGETABLES,	
Potatoes, Neshan's, ½ bbl	3 50 @ 4 00
Potatoes, Sweets	0 00 @ 0 00
Cabbage, per hundred	20 00 @ 25 00
Onions, per barrel	4 00 @ 5 00
WHISKY, per gallon,	
Common	2 10 @ 2 25
Medium	2 50 @ 2 60
Bourbon	2 75 @ 3 00

In consequence of the great number of delinquent jurors in the New York civil courts, some of the judges have caused orders to be entered to the effect that all non-attending jurors will be fined each twenty-five dollars per day, and that the extreme of illness will not be received, unless the certificates of their physicians are produced, saying that it is unsafe for them to appear in court.

Dr. William A. Hammond, late Surgeon-General of the United States, has gone to Europe in charge of a grandson of the late Jacob Astor; and a gossiping correspondent says that he receives for his services ten thousand dollars in gold for six months, all traveling and subsistence expenses liberally paid, and three thousand dollars for each month occupied beyond the six.

A stupid fellow in Chicago took poison and determined to die because he wanted to distinguish himself equally with two murderers hung there on the day previous. He succeeded in dying, but his prospects for fame are damaged by a difference of opinion as to the right way of spelling his name.

A young lady in Westboro' was married on Thanksgiving day to a returned soldier whom she had never seen before, the courtship having been conducted by letter. On the following morning she put on her cloak and bonnet and ran away; and has not since returned.

ON 'CHANGE.

Notwithstanding the cheerful views of disaster, entertained in our favor by our middle seed friends, and the pathetic representations of the limb-assuring company on the deadly instincts of Steamboats, we are again upon the tripod, safe as to the editorial body, and as light of purse as our most indulgent enemy could desire.

Knowing the fixed theory of a "frolic," which every man must arouse against himself, who is reckless enough to run in the face of public opinion by going abroad Christmas, it is desirable to state—in full view of the fact that we have a National debt—that nothing more flighty than "business," drew us away. In supplying this well tested, and time honored explanation, we are conscious that it is open to certain suspicions of an aggravated domestic nature. Mrs. Jones has often informed us, that Josiah always has "business" on his lips, when he is contemplating some distinctly female of the household virtues. She distinctly recollects the night, on which he deserted the wife of his bosom to dance the mazurka with a doll face thing in pink slippers, and closed her condolence by a chilling theory of "business." She is perfectly clear that the "business," which attacks Jones like a periodical distemper after every supper of his life, is simply, and criminally—follows! and when this three-stylified dust is thrown into her eyes during a season of holiday, Mrs. Jones is fain to confess, that her feelings become at least twice too cloudy for her. It is therefore with a sensation of apology, that we offer this plea, and in our vindication, refer our commercial readers to the notable impertinality with which we have always treated City Scrip, and the respectful deference we have habitually shown to New York Exchange.

On the whole, however, it seems gratuitous to labor this explanation. Memphis is hardly a place, one would think, to leave. The business of its streets, the brilliancy of its Chamber of Commerce, the masterly inability of its police, its capacity for Whisky on Sundays, and the facility with which a man can get knocked down by a temperance expounder of his person, impart to it all the elements for being a joy forever. We therefore beard Mrs. Jones, (this is a figure of speech, a literal interpretation of which would most injustly assume Mrs. J.'s modesty) and boldly prove, that business alone was at the root of our late absence. This plea acquires a larger personal importance, from the fact, that certain members of the Chamber of Commerce, opposed to be willing under a sense of our displeasure, have allowed it to appear, that we left Memphis in order to abandon ourself to unholy lusts of the palate. We refrain from overwhelming those memory trouble or detention, knowing that their future relations with the Chamber, will afford us so many occasions for wreaking a bloody vengeance on them.

During our voyage down the river, we kept our eyes impartially open, and our ears sufficiently cocked. The reader will therefore be relieved to know, that we have no intention to reveal a great many things, which we saw, and heard.

The boat we traveled on, might be called without exaggeration perhaps—slow. She made a gallant and obstinate struggle with the current of the Mississippi, but was overthrown. Had some humane shipper of cotton, it should be remarked on behalf of the steamer, that at Vicksburg, the mule was only five bourshead. This was very exhilerating. One sanguine passenger was so far carried away by his feelings as to hazard the suggestion, that the mule would be overhauled before he reached New Orleans. Confidence in his sagacity was strongly vitiated, however, by the fact, subsequently ascertained, that he was addressing the Captain's sister. The injurious motive was imputed to him, of meanly endeavoring to propitiate the Captain's influence. Sanguine passenger when we left, was an object of suspicion. So much for being emotional towards a youthful female. Unmarried males, who honor themselves by reading the APPEAL, are affectionately invited to consider this. To be spoken of as a pretty girl, is honorable in the last degree, but it does not necessarily qualify a man to judge a steamboat, or keep a hotel. In the confusion flowing from the late revolution, it is important to keep the land marks of different vocations clearly defined. No extra charge is made for promoting this laudable purpose.

We were much entertained by a passenger, with pop eyes, who was afflicted with a new plan for educating youth. The plan, like Newton's theory of gravitation, was simple. All that was necessary, he said, was to ground a boy thoroughly in Shakespeare, and turn him loose on a lone, lone generously pronounced in two syllables, as tower. He definitely enunciated on his own part, an infinitude of long standing with the Great Bard, by referring to him familiarly, as "sweet William." This he ought to satisfy anybody, that he knew what he was talking about. It did entirely satisfy one man, a seedy looking party, who seemed to be running steadily, and exclusively to elbows. He cordially agreed with pop eyes, that modern education was a dead failure, having but two appreciable results, a perfect knowledge of bad whisky, and an imperfect knowledge of draw poker. He emphasized however, with apologetic outcroppings, that he had never quite on most occasions, our two deficiencies, on the ground of his having agreed with his wife, and remarked with forty patronage, that it rejoiced him immoderately, to meet a gentleman so comprehensive in his views of education and literature.

Our journey was illustrated by other features of character, and accompanied by small colloquies on future occasions. In the meantime, let us return to our mutton, as a Banker would say when speaking of

Exchange.

We are surprised to learn since our return, that New York Sight does not sustain that general activity, which previously distinguished it. At some of the Banking establishments, in morning hours, business appears to be small, and in other instances, it appears, that the quotations are at a similar variance. At some of the counters, we are advised of small transactions at ½ off, while at others again, operations involving large amounts, have gone off at ¼ @ ½ per cent. discount. The selling rate continues at ½ per cent. premium.

We are glad to observe a decided improvement in the tone of New Orleans sight, because it indicates a return of business to its natural channels. When we left Memphis, a few days since, New Orleans Sight was buying at ½ off, and selling at par. These relations are reversed, and now, it is buying at par, and selling at ½ per cent. premium. Not much is offering however, and the foregoing figures only assert themselves in small transactions.

Time Bills.

The activity of Sight does not extend to Time Exchange, and neither in New York, or New Orleans Time, are vendyised of any operations which do more than simply save them from nominal quotations. We have only therefore to renew former rates. New York Five-day Bills, ½ off; Ten-days ¾; Fifteen-days 1 per cent., and Thirty-days 1½ per cent. off. New Orleans Five-day Bills, 1 per cent. off; Ten-days 1¼; Fifteen-days 1½, and Thirty-days 2 per cent., off.

Loans.

The incoming of a new year has imparted a more liberal temper to the discount policy, and a much greater cheerfulness in consequence, reigns in the Loan market. A large number of transactions are reported to us, principally on Sight Drafts, and on unimpeached paper. Prime Five-days' Paper taken at ¼ discount; Ten-days at ½; Fifteen-days at ¾, and Thirty-days at 1 per cent. discount.

City Scrip.

We find City Scrip gross, solemn, and stationary. Not being advised of a single transaction in it, we place its quotations, nominally, at 50c buying, and 90c selling.

Stocks.

We were pleased to learn of a heavy sale of Seven-thirties, amounting in all to about seventeen hundred dollars, at a slight advance on interest. Its buying rate is 96 cents, with accrued interest.

Gold and Silver.

Gold is heavy, and sluggish, and only insignificant operations in it are reported to us, the buying ones at 3, and the selling ones at 40 cents. Silver is seven dollar than Gold, and we quote it nominally at 38c buying, and 40c selling.

Uncurrent Funds.

Southern Money is becoming daily more firm, and business in the corresponding notes of our brokers manifest an increasing confidence in it, which augurs cheerfully for its future. Only trifling operations are reported to-day, none of which quality the quotations previously rendered.

VIRGINIA BANKS.			
	Bid.		Bids.
Bank of Berkley	75	C'B of Virginia	20
" Commerce	30	Cooper's Alexandria	50
" Charlestown	25	Danville Bank	50
" Hew'rbville	25	Exchange B'k of Va.	25
" Old Dominion	75	Farmers' B'k Virginia	25
" Phillipps	30	" Richm'd	25
" Rockbridge	30	Merchants' Bank	30
" Rockingham	30	Monticello Bank	30
" Scottsville	25	Northwestern Bank	70
" The Valley	30	Southwestern Bank	30
" Virginia	32	Trader's Bank	25
" Win