

The old year, 1869, with its trials and tribulations—its joys and sorrows, is passing away. A new year, 1870, the beginning of a decade is at hand in all the pomp and eclat attended by a propitious season and smiling plenty throughout the land.

The minds eye reads the unknown in bright anticipations and air castles as splendid and gorgeous as Arabian fiction are reared wherever interests points or fancy leads. Vain expectations! Dreams go by contraries.

The worse than useless customary expenditure of money at this season of festivity if judiciously applied would be ample to secure to your families a competency and an education beyond chance or contingency.

The Piedmont and Arlington Life Insurance Company of Richmond, Virginia, with a Branch Office in New Orleans under the direction of such men as Generals Madry, Bragg and Beauregard, with reliable and trustworthy agents in all the principal towns in the State, is of itself enough to recommend it to favor and patronage.

A policy as an investment is second to none. On the ten year plan an applicant 32 years of age can effect an insurance on \$10,000 for an annual payment of \$485 00—not 5 per cent. interest a year on the amount assured.

The ordinary life plan is still cheaper, and for a like amount would be only 242 50—not 24 per cent. interest per annum. It may be urged by many that they have not the money to spare, perhaps not, for so large an amount; but it will hardly be an excuse when we inform you that you can take out a policy for \$1000 for \$17 00 at the age of 20, and at a gradual increase to the age of 65, it would be \$102 50.

Every body can be accommodated. Only look to your dependents. Do what you can now and increase it at your pleasure. What you give in that manner is safe, and will always reach its destination.

And further the Company: "Lends in each State the funds acquired from the policy holders of that State." "Lends its funds only on first bond and mortgage, and lends only to the amount of one-half the value of the real estate pledged."

cheerfully give information and extend facilities to all who may desire it.

Scandinavian Laborers.

CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 26, 1869. G. L. Herndon, Monroe, La. Dear Sir:—Your telegrams in reference to Scandinavian laborers were delivered to us promptly, which we answered; stating that we could furnish at the rate of seventy-five a lot, if you advance the transportation. It of course being understood, that the cost of transportation will be taken out of the laborers wages when settlement is made with the employer.

This cannot be rushed too much, but must be worked carefully and with guarantee to the people. We write thus, that you may lay these points before your people. Mr. Munthe who you have with you, knows our people, and will be of great assistance to you here and in transporting the laborers.

CONCERT.—The Concert for the benefit of the Brass Band on last Thursday evening was witnessed by a large and appreciative audience.

The programme embraced many difficult pieces and were so skillfully executed as to elicit hearty and repeated applause. They were supported by Mr. and Mrs. Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Surghnor, Mrs. Simmons, Mr. and Miss Dinkgrave, Miss Hunsicker, Miss Hoffman and Miss Benard.

The interludes on the piano, accompanied by violins and well-trained voices were received with an enthusiasm as creditable to the good taste of the applauders as it was complimentary to the kind artists.

We wish the Band joy of their success and hope that the reunion is only a precursor of many others during the season. To travelers and sojourners at Hotels, they would be an unfailing source of delight. If it was generally known that they would take place at a particular time in each month visitors and travelers would make it convenient to be here then.

It is to the interest of our business men to encourage them. Every attractive feature of a city or town is an ailment of wealth—an indication of prosperity.

The Band is a home institution—when they desire to entertain us with their sweet cadences we ought to patronize them, when they need assistance it should be extended with an open purse. Success to the Band and long life to its distinguished leader, Prof. B. R. Lignoski.

"Fame is an Alchemist's crucible, that has every fair and rich thing thrown into it, but will only yield in return the calcined stones of chagrin and disappointment."

Capt G. W. McCranie is in New Orleans on business.

We deem it unnecessary to notice any of the comments of the Press in relation to Editorials in the TELEGRAPH. We have marked and stowed them away for his perusal in the hope that he may be able to give to every one his due.

The Captian is expected every day—be on the lookout—for if you are worthy of a reply you will surely have it.

The Tablequah reached our landing yesterday—probably it is due to some of our friends that we cannot make our acknowledgements for late papers. We were greatly provoked by such kindness last winter, and if its repetition is inaugurated this early we may indulge the wish that their mental exertion will compensate them for the decrease of moral rectitude.

Our Railroad friends are busily engaged on the bridges between here and Delta, but they ought not to forget that the bridge above the Depot is in miserable order—really dangerous to passers on horses or in vehicles.

We anticipate a good road from the Company eventually, but we expect good bridges in town now and all the time.

Legal Advertising Law. RADICAL LOUISIANA 1868.

"Each paper so contracted with shall be the official journal of the parish wherein it shall be published, and all parochial and judicial printing and advertising for or in said parish shall be done by and published in said journal and after such selection and contract, and notice thereof to the Police Jury, clerk of court, and Sheriff of said parish, every publication and advertisement in any other paper than the one so selected shall, during the term of such selection and contract, be null and void for any legal purpose."

SECTION 1. Be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of all Clerks, Sheriffs, and other court officers, to make, or cause to be made, publications of all notices of a legal character in the newspaper published in the county where such shall be ordered, having the largest circulation in said county, and where there is no newspaper published in the county, then the publication shall be made in the newspaper published nearest the county seat, having the largest circulation in said county.

We hope the most stolid and vindictive Radical in being will be able to see the contrast.

WASHINGTON, NOVEMBER 24.—The Star has the following regarding to-day's Cabinet meeting: "There are rumors afloat that Secretary Fish laid before the Cabinet to-day a dispatch received by him from Minister Sickles, to the effect that the Spanish authorities were about to instruct their Minister here to again demand the release of the gunboats, and if he should meet with a refusal to demand his passports. Also that several Spanish war vessels had been ordered to our coast."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—A. W. Faulkner is here, with a remonstrance against the removal of the Land office from Monroe, La., which has been ordered. Faulkner is supported with remonstrance letters from many prominent gentlemen. The letters urge that a removal will cause much confusion regarding titles.

The yield of cotton this year in British India is estimated at \$125,000,000 in gold. The Government has also established 19,000 schools, attended by 600,000 native children. There are already 6000 miles of railway in operation, and it is now proposed to build 9000 miles more, at the rate of 300 miles a year. These facts indicate the rapid progress of European ideas in India.

The Year's Elections.

We copy as follows from the New York Leader of the 17th: We believe that it is a fact, says the New Heaven Register, that for the past forty years no party which has been defeated in the Presidential election has recovered from its defeat in time to successfully contest the next fall elections.

This year has been a partial exception to the rule. A month after Grant's inauguration the Democrats came within a few hundred of carrying Connecticut. Next came Virginia. The contest was between Wells, Radical, and Walker, Conservative. The administration saw fit to throw its influence in favor of the former, and still he was defeated by twenty thousand majority.

California gave Grant a majority of over five hundred in 1868, and 1869 gave a Democratic majority of over ten thousand. If the vote were to be taken to-day between Grant and Seymour, the former would be defeated by thousands. The State is now as certainly Democratic as in 1860. Here we have two States which have changed their verdict within the year.

The October elections disappointed both parties. The Republicans were certain of victory, and the Democrats hopeful. The former carried Pennsylvania and Ohio, but they had nothing to spare. Their majority in Pennsylvania was less than five thousand, and only 7500 in Ohio.

The only changes produced by the November elections were in favor of the Democrats. The Republicans carried Massachusetts, Wisconsin and Minnesota, as they have done at every election for the past ten years, and the Democrats carried New York, New Jersey and Maryland.

The protracted meeting commenced last Monday evening under the Rev. C. F. Evans having been interrupted by inclement weather, and a pre-engagement of the Union Church, will be resumed next week. Mr. Evans is an able and eloquent divine, and his zeal and energy in the cause of christianity entitles him to a hearing from all denominations.

All religion is in the Decalogue. The modes of worship are only so many radii from the common center. Hear all and make your selection, and our word for it when you reap the great reward, the good men and women of all the rest will meet you there.

The letter to G. L. Herndon in another column will be found interesting to all good citizens.

The river is rising slowly.

GREAT REDUCTION.

Now is the time for real bargains in DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, BONNETS, &c.

FROM and after this day we will offer our entire stock at from 10 to 25 per cent. discount of former prices.

DOMESTICS, SHEETINGS, LINENS, BLANKETS, BEDSPREADS, TOWELS, NAPKINS, DAMASKS, &c.

All our Boots, Shoes and our entire stock of Ladies and Misses shoes have been marked down to a lower figure than ever.

J. HAYMAN & Co's., Corner DeSiard & 2d Sts. Monroe, La., Nov. 27, 1869.

REGULAR TRENTON AND MONROE WEEKLY PACKET.

LEAVES NEW ORLEANS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 5 P. M.

LEAVES TRENTON AND MONROE EVERY SUNDAY AT 5 P. M.

The passenger Steamer, MAYFLOWER. W. W. RISHOR, Master. F. V. CELLERS, Clerk.

WILL leave as above, making regular trips and sure connections during low water with the light draft Steamer Lightwood for Bayona, Bartholomew, P'Arbone, Saline River and Beauf River—giving clear Bills of Lading to and from New Orleans.

SHIELDS & ODELL

HAVE on hand one of the largest stocks in North Louisiana, and intend selling every article in any Line, at the very lowest possible prices. Will always keep Dry Goods, Clothing, Hats, Caps, Hardware, Shoes, Boots, Groceries, Bagging, Ties, &c.

Also, Cotton Gins, Wagons, Plows, Hoes, &c. No Store outside of New Orleans will deal fairer, sell lower, offer better inducements, or sell on better terms. They also intend doing a large Receiving, Forwarding and Warehouse Business.

Especially for the shipment of Cotton, and the long experience of both the above gentlemen leaves it unnecessary to offer other recommendations.

Storage charges Low. Hauling, weighing and repairing free. Cotton bought, sold, stored, or shipped; and the highest prices paid, or large advances made on same.

Every article required by Planters, always on hand. And satisfaction guaranteed in all transactions.

Particular attention paid to all orders or instructions. Store—House and Office on DESIARD STREET.

The Warehouse on the river bank, at S. W. ODELL'S old stand, and under his charge still. Remember to stop at the "GREEN FLAG," where every thing you require is sold, or give away.

SHIELDS & ODELL. Monroe, La., Nov. 20, 1869.

VIOLINS and Banjos, and Violin. Guita and Banjo strings for sale at McFee's.

A NICE assortment of story books for children, for sale at McFee's.

STANDIFER & MCGUIRE, RECEIVING AND FORWARDING Merchants,

TRENTON, LOUISIANA.

HAVE just received, in addition to their large and varied stock of groceries and dry goods, a fresh and extensive assortment of Fancy Dress Goods, Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, Hardware, &c.,

purchased in New York expressly for the Trenton trade, and now offered at reasonable prices.

Special Attention

Given to the storage and shipment of cotton, and to the receiving and forwarding of all kinds of merchandise. Consignees notified of arrivals of freight at the earliest moment. Warehouses convenient to access, and situated on the river bank.

COTTON, WOOL, HIDES, AND COUNTRY PRODUCE,

purchased at the highest market price.

STANDIFER & MCGUIRE are agents for the sale of Gullett's Steel Brush, and also Pratt's Cotton Gins, Cotton Presses, Corn Mills, Cans Mills, Sugar Evaporators, Thrashers and Fan Mills, Machine Belting, Wagons, Carts, Buggies and Carriages, which they will sell at New Orleans Prices, with the freight added.

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HEAD, WILLIAMSON & CO. RECEIVING, FORWARDING & COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

AND DEALERS IN— DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, HARDWARE, CASTINGS, IRON, WAGONS, CARTS, BAGGING, TIES.

Plantation Supplies Generally. TRENTON, LA.

WE respectfully invite the attention of the public to our large and varied stock, having bought the same for CASH, at the lowest rates, and having twenty years' experience at this point, authorizes us in saying the best adapted to the wants of the people of any yet offered in this market. All of which we will sell at PRICES AS LOW as they can be sold OUTSIDE OF NEW ORLEANS.

We have extensive storage room in the way of warehouses for storing cotton and freight, and to facilitate our re-shipping, we have built A LARGE AND COMMODIOUS WHARFBOAT, which enables us to receive and forward freights without the slightest exposure in rainy bad weather, which is an important item in re-shipping. We will at all times purchase cotton or make liberal advances on the same in supplies or money. And for such persons on the EAST SIDE of the Ouachita as may wish to store or sell their cotton, we have a new WAREHOUSE and COTTON SHED on the East bank of the river where we can receive their cotton without having to cross the river with it.

HEAD, WILLIAMSON & CO. Trenton, La., Oct. 16, 1869.

W. H. MAXEY, C. B. BLOCKER, New Orleans, Trenton.

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RECEIVING AND FORWARDING merchants and dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots, Shoes, Clothing, Western Produce and Plantation Supplies. We have erected a large WAREHOUSE on the bank of the river and are prepared to store all freight or cotton at low rates. We respectfully solicit the patronage of the public. Highest market price paid for cotton.

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