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A Word to New Orleans Merchants.

We send this week a specimen copy of our paper to several New Orleans mercantile houses that we know desire the trade of the Red River parishes, with a view to showing their advertisements, as they can find no better vehicle of presenting their claims.

The exception at the head of this column in regard to circulation can be proven to the satisfaction of all.

As the taking down of a lawyer's or a physician's "shingle" from his office door is indicative of his retirement from practice or removal, so is the failure of a merchant to advertise *prima facie* evidence that he does not want patronage. A word to the wise ought to be sufficient.

Our thanks are due the officers of the Jesse K. Bell for late favors.

Cincho-Quinine cures chills and fever.

There has been a slight improvement in our mails this week. There is room, however, for more.

The stalwart journals of the North are no longer stalwart. They now fight for Blaine, Sherman or Grant, and Grant leads them all.

Hon. Sanford E. Church, Chief Justice of the New York Court of Appeals, died suddenly at his residence in Albion, N. Y., May 14th, of apoplexy.

Hon. Chas. Knapp, member of the 43d Congress, and President of the Deposit National Bank, died on the morning of the 14th, in the eighty-third year of his age.

Alabama and North Mississippi planters are wild on cotton planting. All other crops are neglected and exclusive attention given't to the great staple.

The cotton mills at Columbus, Ga., have used during the last eight months 14,428 bales of cotton. This should be encouraging to Southern manufacturers.

At Augusta, Ark., an immense cotton seed oil mill is to be immediately erected by Memphis and Little Rock capitalists. They will also erect a powerful cotton compress.

The Wisconsin Democracy declare this Union a Nation, and then talk on the stump and in Congress about the "rights of States but modified by the war."

The Hon. E. G. Fort, of Tennessee, formerly Governor of Mississippi, is reported very low at his residence near Nashville, and has resigned his position as superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans in consequence.

Let the South quit this "cat's paw" States rights humbuggery. The Northern Democrat has long since abandoned such an idea, and yields strict obedience to the constitution and laws of the Nation."

The *Gaslighter* came to us this week quantity enlarged and beautified—in fact, a paper worthy of the State Capital. We rejoice at the evidences of prosperity exhibited by our confrere, but regret he has to resort to the gaslighting process to fill his lengthened lines.

Maj. Fagginville, Tenn., J. M. Stephens shot and killed T. B. Patten and wounded J. G. Turner. Stephens has been living recently at Lockhart, Texas, and was visiting his old home at Fagginville, when an old grudge was revived, with the above result.

A dispatch from Wilmington, Del., of May 20th, states that Ex-Senator T. A. Hendricks is much weaker and apparently sinking rapidly. He rejects the efforts of his attendants to give him nourishment, and it is feared that without effort on his part to rally his life will be prolonged but a few days.

We think to use the North Louisiana Republican came to us this week, as its editor facetiously put matters, "on the half shell." Though differing in politics, we regard the Republican as a fair, outspoken and deserving paper, and we welcome it more cheerfully than some of those of "doubtful antecedents," who endeavor to pap whip both ways.

The "tangled" democratic platform of Pennsylvania, and which our contrabrd had to the skies, contains a [illegible] will perpetually anchor the South from all governmental favors, "any purpose," including subsidies, river improvements and levees. In this dodge for home consumption or be it dead earnest? Will Congress to Gleckenerd had better have an understanding.

The Galveston News of the 14th [illegible] following special from Corsicana, [illegible] "Thursday evening [illegible] Pinkerton, [illegible] Jesse James, [illegible] Texas, [illegible] Missouri, [illegible] Frank James [illegible] Texas [illegible] Missouri [illegible] Frank James [illegible] Texas [illegible] Missouri [illegible] Frank James [illegible] Texas [illegible] Missouri