

# The "Advertiser."

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**Notice.**—All those who owe the Advertiser, for Subscription, Advertisements or in any other way are notified to come and settle immediately if they wish to avoid costs.

We see by the New York Day Book of the 6th inst., that Henderson of the Senate, introduced a Bill "To enable the Cherokee, Choctaw, and Chickasaw Indians to become citizens" and that the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee. We do wonder what will be the report and final result and fate of that bill. What will Mr. Rad say or do about this? We would insist upon the original lords of this soil voting and becoming entitled to all the privileges of American citizenship. The great landmarks, of right and wrong are torn down, the hallowed reminiscences of American glory are blurred, nay, smothered by grovelling ambition; the government is given over to Sambo or his satanic leaders, or deceivers. White men stand aside. Mr. "Injun" step in; if this country does not belong to our race it certainly belongs to yours.

We will defer any further comments on the introduction of this bill by Mr. Henderson for the present, but resume a full review of the same, as it may comically develop itself in the halls of Congress.

The wind on last Saturday night was very disastrous on Côte Gélée, in this Parish. The Royville church, with its high and commanding steeple was levelled to earth, likewise the residence of Dr. Young, the cotton gin of Messrs. Billaud & Pellerin, and several other buildings in the same neighborhood, too numerous to mention. We heartily sympathize with the sufferers. Fortune sometimes repays her frowns with many a smile.

During our stay in the city, our every moment was made bright by meeting old acquaintances, whose cheerful countenances reflected but the pleasure we felt at the new greeting; we have treasured home many pleasant recollections of this our last trip to New Orleans, but none so bright, as those which come bright o'er our spirits, from J. M. Lewis & Co's, sample room, No. 44 Gravier street. Kind reader, should you ever visit the city and need groceries go the re, call for friends R. S. RICKY and JOHN ANBOTT; in them you will find gentlemen and business men; and you will leave your soul bright and glowing alike unto the bow you shall have left behind; but the best of things can't last and here we are back home, and should we ever return to the "Crescent," we shall certainly visit No. 44 Gravier Street.

Here we are again kind readers just arrived from a trip to the City, that city whose countless and peerless beauties lie by the turbid tide of the mighty farther of waters. Our trip was most agreeable, in going as well as on our homeward trip we travelled on the Warren Belle; we would be unjust should we not recommend that Steamer to our travelling public, its accommodations are No. 1, its speed assures unflinching junction with the Rail Road; and who has traveled on her deck can never forget the urbanity of manners and vigilant solicitude of her captain E. B. Trinidad, for the comfort and safety of his passengers; the never ceasing attention and punctuality of her clerk Mr. N. B. Millard, and last but not least, at the bar, well replenished with the best the city can afford, the worried traveler will find John B. Bonoso ever ready to wait upon him, and warm his soul and body with the best of beverage.

In our last number in speaking of the great festive night of King Comus, we said that the festive dance had begun at 7 p. m., and ended at 3 p. m. This would have been steep dancing and may have seemed strange to certain captious minds, but to them, we will say, this is a world of changes and innovations, a world of progress, a world, in our land especially, of unaccountable revolutions and how does the wise critic know but that p. m., in our last number, was intended for Past Midnight. It was a Past mid night article, and error, if error there be, was excusable and can be easily accounted for.

## THE SOCIAL EQUALITY BILL.

[From the N. O. Times.]

The civil and social equality bill, which has passed the Senate, is one of those posterous measures which never fail to defeat their own object. All attempts to control and direct, by legislative interference, matters which are beyond the reach and regulation of law, and appertain to natural rights and social usage, only result in violent and stubborn resistance, disturbance of the peace of society, and in the eventual overthrow and trampling down of the usurped authority. Even though the object be a fair and constitutional one, it will only be prejudiced and postponed still longer, by the effort to bring it about by measures which invade personal rights and violate the laws and usages, that are recognized in all free and enlightened communities, as reserved to the individual, and outside of the purview and power of the government, except to secure and protect them.

One of the rights, which is the most certain and indisputable, is that which a man has in his privacy and liberty in his family and household. The law may even shield and promote the enjoyment of these rights; it may even tax their enjoyment, but further than this it cannot go, without arrogating the very worst features of an irresponsible despotism. The civil equality bill flies in the face of these principles of liberty and right. It proceeds upon the monstrous proposition that the right of a citizen to control his own labor and property, is derived from the government; that he must be licensed by the State before he can employ his industry and his capital in any trade, avocation, or business not forbidden by the law or against good morals. Thus a shoemaker cannot make shoes, a blacksmith cannot weld or form iron, a farmer cannot work the soil, and so on, unless the State permits and authorizes him. Because the State, to support the government, imposes a certain tax on their several avocations, and calls that tax a license, therefore it has the right to regulate the manner in which those following these callings shall pursue them, and direct the turn-upon which they may dispose of the products of their own skill and labor.

From this it would follow that if no license tax is exacted from the industries, there would exist no legal right to pursue them. Abolish the license system, as was contemplated by the constitutions of 1864 and 1868, and as has been done in many of the States—and the advocates of a coercive social equality bill, would be left with no business of life in which no man has the legal right to engage in trade or production of any sort. To such supreme folly are we brought by the pretext that the law can regulate the mode in which I shall pursue my occupation, and prescribe to whom I shall sell the products of my skill and labor, or hire my property, because the law imposes a tax on me, not as the condition upon which I may pursue that vocation, but in order to make me contribute to the support of the State.

It is too obvious for serious argument that no government can exercise any such power; that a man may sell or refuse to sell, or refuse to let his property to whomsoever he may think proper, and the law cannot give any other man the power to control the exercise of that right. It is exclusively a personal right, which, both by reason and the express provisions of all our constitutions, is placed beyond the power and control of the Government.

**Reverend Thomas Rand** died at West Fork, Calcasieu Parish, on the 27th, of January 1869. This intelligence was received with deep regret by our whole community. A native of Massachusetts, he had been a resident of our State for thirty years, and by a steady and uniform practice of the virtues and duties of a christian and a citizen, had secured the esteem and respect of all. He was a professor of merit and talent, and a minister of the Baptist Church. Many minds in this Parish and St. Landry, are bright with his teachings. We do mourn the demise of Rev. THOMAS RAND, for he was a good man.

Mr. L. E. Salles is again to be seen behind his grocery counter, he has returned from the old Crescent and brought with him a select portion of its delectables. His stock in the grocery line is complete and cannot fail to give satisfaction to purchasers.

Our old friend and town-man Rosemond Dugas has just returned from the City with a lot of the choicest goods the Capitol can afford, his prices are moderate, give him a call. We would be happy to see him liberally patronized.

We call attention in proper column to that old and respectable Hardware House of St. Louis, Baldwin & Co., New Orleans. They are direct and large Importers, and we take pleasure in recommending them to the patronage of purchasers of Hardware, Guns, Tools and Agricultural Implements, as having every facility in stock and prices, they guarantee as low as any market North or South.

We are happy to learn that our town-man L. E. Salles, has been appointed Notary Public in and for our Parish. The selection is unobtrusive, good, and we hope and are confident that he will have his full share of public patronage.

The attention of the reader is called to the card of L. H. Gardner & Co. Dry Goods merchants, holding forth at Nos. 91, 93 & 95 Common Street, N. W. Orleans. It was my lot a short time ago to visit the city for the purpose of purchasing dry goods; I was introduced by a well known friend to the owners and clerks of this new commercial firm; their frank and gentlemanly bearing will win custom from any one; behind the counter I found my esteemed friends Marion and Tortron; who does not know and appreciate them? I found them as usual ready and polite, dealing of such superior quality and at such low rates, that I was really amazed. Their goods cannot be surpassed in quality nor in moderate prices. L. H. Gardner and Co., cannot be excelled in any ways in the city, I will bet on that; Merchants give them a call and you'll find out that I am telling the truth.

**Mrs. Andrew Johnson.**—Mrs. Johnson, a confirmed invalid, has never appeared in society at Washington. Her very existence is a myth to almost every one. She was last seen at a party given to her grandchildren. She was seated in one of the republican court chairs, a dainty affair of satin and ebony. She did not rise when the children, or older guests, were presented to her; she simply said: "My dear, am an invalid."—and her said, pale face and sunken eyes fully proved the expression. Mrs. Johnson looks much older than the president, and her age exceeded his by a few swings of the scythe of time. She was ever beautiful, but an observer would say, contemplating her, "a noble woman—God's gift, best gift to man." Perhaps it is well to call to mind at this time that it was his woman who taught the president to read after she became his wife; and that in all their earlier years she was his constant, assistant and guide. None but a wise and good mother could have reared such daughters as Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Stover. When Mrs. Senator Patterson found her "best lady in the land," she made this remark: "I wish I could see the key-note of the fountain department of the White House from that eventful day to the present time."—We are plain people, from the mountains of Tennessee, called here for a short time by a national emergency. I trust too much will not be expected of us. When Anna Sawyer threw her first party, she had the four of one of the ante-rooms of the White House, begging piteously to see Mrs. Patterson, she said: "Tell the girl she has my sympathy, my tears, but I have no more right to speak than the servants of the White House." When the "pardon brokers" trailed their slimy lengths every where about the mansion, they never dared to cross a certain enchanted pathway, and the face of any lobbyist set in this direction has always brought up in the end against a stone wall.—[Washington Correspondence Chicago Republican.]

**DEATH OF MAJOR GEORGE MCKNIGHT.**—Asa Hartz is dead. This sad news will be received with profound sorrow through out the South, where George McKnight was well known for his geniality, kindly nature, and whose wit and bonhomie had won over to him every member of his profession as well as a great number of citizens in other business. Asa had been suffering for several years past of disease of the lungs, which at times would utterly incapacitate him for business, and depress his spirits so that he would often allude to his approaching end. He had justly won the title of major in the army of the Confederacy, and was for several months a prisoner of war on Johnson's Island, where, with the true spirit which moved him, he organized an amateur dramatic company, which from time to time gave performances for the benefit of the hospital of the prison.

One of his regrets was that his early training had not included literary pursuits, and yet his wit and humor in prose and poetry had given him a certain celebrity, which was being improved by application to literature, until his disease had so far impaired his faculties that he became a mere wreck. Asa's history as a newspaper editor is the same as that of many others who were not born under a lucky star, as he thought and would often say.

He was twice a husband, having married the second time, Miss Taylor, of Virginia, now living in this city, with in leaves, with several children, to mourn his untimely loss, for George McKnight was only in his thirty fifth year when he paid the last tribute to mortality. "Asa" was a just man, and "precious is the memorial of the just."—Crescent.

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Feb. 20th '69.—6m.

## MR. PUNCH AND GEN. GRANT.

IMPRESSIVE DEDICATION OF HIS FIFTY-FIFTH VOLUME TO OUR PRESIDENT ELECT.

[From London Punch.]

"Mr. President elect, Ulysses Grant, of the United States of America, I congratulate you, sir, and the great American nation, upon your election to the throne of King George Washington, and in this goblet of dry-st champagne I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy reign," said Mr. Punch.

"Festive cue!" said Gen. Grant, smiling. "Your name, my Ulysses," said Mr. Punch, positively, "appears to me to be of good augury for yourself and country." "They omens,"

"Man of brevity (which is the soul of wit) not to say silence (which is golden) you are right.

And I too hold her general's blade  
Columbi's omen and her aid.  
Nathless, Ulysses, a pleasing coincidence meeteth notice. There be points in the history of your classic namesake which a West Pointman will recall, and which somewhat adumbrate your own history."

"State 'em."

"Sir, thus, You did not desire to be employed in war, but like the king of Ithaca, when engaged, you showed the utmost sagacity, activity and valor."

"Too brown to blush."

"There is no need. Nextly, happier than some heroes, you were universally applauded by your countrymen and rewarded with the arms of Achilles; that is the most exalted military honor in the nation's gift."

"Good again!"

"Ulysses sir, was famous in connection with the horse. He valiantly carried away the horses of Rhesus, and he invented the horse that took Troy. I think, sir, that you are a great authority in the matter of horses."

"Health, old hoss!"

"Thanks. Then, sir, in steering for the windward for shore I find that you stopped your ears to all siren blandishment, did your best to prevent windbags from blowing your vessel wrong, and escaped safely from the clutches of Scylla and the Sirens."

"Classic cues!"

"Again, sir, I find in your peculiarly wise dealing with the shoals of hungry beggars for office, the antitype of Ulysses smothering the Suitors."

"Blow 'em!"

"Further, sir, you have given a lesson to the Creolots, or one-eyed people, who can see but one side of a question, and forget that a king or a president must rule for all. That lesson was given by a hot Pole, and there was never a hotter poll than at your election."

"Playful cues!"

"But, sir, your greatest similitude, save one is in the fact that, like the Ithacan, goddess of the you, inspired by Minerva, to the tribes,"

"Tut, tut."

"Yes, sir, for here is your last and grandest similitude. Equally with Ulysses inspired by supernatural wisdom, you were departed for a gloomy region, where, in a lonely land, and gloomy cells, The dusky nation of Britannia dwells. The sun never views the uncomfortable seats. When radiant he advances or retreats. Unhappy race whom endless night invades. Clouds the dull air, and raps them round with shades."

"In the dark, now Where's that?"

"Here," said Mr. Punch, mildly and forgivingly. "Is not that the view taken by you Americans, and by the French, whom you adore so, of the mental and physical condition of this rotten little old island?"

"We have fools. Haven't you?"

"Just that; bravo! And now, old man, give me your fifty fifth volume."  
"I foresaw your wish. It is here, inscribed—"  
"TIRIAS TO ULYSSES."  
Perhaps they didn't quaff and fume until a late hour!

State of Louisiana, Parish of Lafayette.

WHEREAS Eliza L. Kennedy of the Parish of Lafayette, Administratrix of the succession of J. B. Kennedy, deceased, has filed in this Court a Final Tableau and settlement of said succession with a petition praying that the same be advertised according to law and then duly homologated.

And whereas the prayer of said Administratrix has been granted by an order of said Court, dated 18th day of February 1869.

Now therefore notice is hereby given to all persons interested, to file their opposition, and show cause, if any they have, in said Court within 30 days from the publication of this notice, why the aforesaid Tableau and Settlement should not be approved and homologated.

Given under my official signature in said Court in the town of Vermilionville, this 18th day of Feb. 1869.

A. J. MOSS, Parish Judge.

## Probate Sale.

Succession of Narcisse B. Acosta, deceased.

THERE will be offered at Public Sale, to the highest and last bidder, on Saturday 20th day of March 1869, at the last residence of deceased, the following property, belonging to said Succession, to-wit:

The undivided half of a certain tract of Prairie land, situated in this Parish, containing 80 arpents, bounded North by land of widow Pierre Dominguez, South by land of Mrs. Antoine Dominguez, East by land of Emanuel Antoine Dominguez and West by the Opelousas road.

One Dwelling House and outhouses, Fencing, Ploughs and Harrows, Horses, Mule, Cow and Calf, Furniture, Corn, etc., etc.

**TERMS & CONDITIONS.**—The land Cash—balance of property one half cash and the other half on a credit of one year from the day of sale; purchasers furnishing their notes with two good solvent securities to the satisfaction of the administrator to whose order said notes are drawn and made payable at the office of Ernest Mouton, Esqr. Notes to bear eight per cent interest per annum from maturity until paid; No purchaser of moveable property shall have the right to dispose of the same until paid for, otherwise the whole amount of the purchase price will become due immediately.

A. J. MOSS, Parish Judge.

## Probate Sale.

Succession of Jean Antoine Dominguez, deceased.

THERE will be offered at Public Sale, to the highest and last bidder, on Saturday 20th day of March 1869, at the last residence of deceased, the following property belonging to said Succession, to-wit:

The undivided half of a certain tract of Prairie land, situated in this Parish, containing Eighty arpents, bounded North by land of Antoine Dominguez, South by land of widow Antoine Dominguez, East by land of the succession of Narcisse B. Acosta and West by the Opelousas road.

Two Guns, One Saddle, One Horse, One gold Watch.

**Terms & Conditions.**—Cash on day of sale.

A. J. MOSS, Parish Judge.

## PUBLIC SALE.

Succession of Severin Hébert, deceased.

BY virtue of an order from the Hon. Parish Court in and for the parish of Lafayette and State aforesaid, there will be offered at public sale, on Tuesday the 23rd day of February 1869, to the last and highest bidder, on the Plantation of the deceased, the following property, to-wit:

One tract of land in the Parish of Lafayette, being the W 1/2 of S 1/2 of S. E. 1/4 Section 36 Township, 8 S. R. 3 E. containing 63 70/100 acres.

Another tract of land 6 by 20, bounded by lands of Gideon Richard, Nouvelle Brassard and Zenon Brassard.

**Dwelling House—Kitchen—**Cotton house—Corn crib—Fencing—Work Cows—Cows and calves—Horses and Mares—Hogs—Ox-cart and horse cart—Ploughs and Harrows—Tools—Household Furniture and kitchen utensils—Corn—Cotton in the seed—One Gun—One rifle.

**Terms & Conditions.**—All sums of five dollars and under CASH on the spot. All sums over that amount on a credit of one, two and three years from the day of sale. Purchasers furnishing their notes with two or more good solvent securities in solido, to the satisfaction of the parties interested, notes to bear eight per cent interest per annum from maturity until paid, and to be payable to the order and at the domicile of the administrator. Property susceptible of mortgage remaining specially hypothecated with vendor's privilege in favor of said succession until the purchase price and interest if any, shall have been paid. No purchaser of moveable property shall have the right to dispose of the same until paid for otherwise the whole amount of the purchase price will become due immediately.

A. MONNIER, Clerk.

Jan. 20, '69.

## St. Charles College

GRAND COTEAU, LA.

THE college of Spring Hill, near Mobile, Alabama, which was under the direction of the Rev. Fathers of the Society of Jesus, has been destroyed by fire. The Parents and Guardians of the Students, respectfully informed that the Deans and Professors of said College, are transferred to St. Charles, Grand Coteau, and they are ready to receive the students entrusted to them and to resume the course of studies.

Feb 13th 1869.

**NOTICE.**—Pursuant to a resolution of the City Council of Vermilionville, the Constable will offer for sale the Court House to the last and highest bidder, on Saturday the 20th of February 1869, the Market House, for the term one year.

By order of the Mayor,  
WM. B. BAILEY, Secretary.

## PUBLIC SALE.

Succession of Phelonise Bourgeois, deceased.

BY virtue of an order from the Parish Court in and for the Parish of Lafayette, and State of Louisiana, will be offered at public sale, on Wednesday 3rd, day of March 1869, to the last and highest bidder the following property belonging to the said named succession, to-wit:

One certain tract of land situated in this Parish, on the East side of the Bayou Vermilion, containing 1/2 acres, bounded North by land of Michel Trahan, South by land of M. Hebert, wife of Hypolite Savois, East by land of Ursin J. Broussard and West by Valsin Vincent.

**Terms & Conditions.**—All sums under Twenty dollars cash on the day of sale, and all sums over Twenty dollars and over on a term of two and three years from the day of sale. Purchasers to furnish their notes with two good solvent securities to the satisfaction of the administrator to whose order said notes are drawn and made payable at the office of Girard, Esqr., conditioned to bear per cent interest per annum from maturity until paid. The property susceptible of mortgage remaining specially hypothecated in favor of said succession and purchase price and interest if any have been paid. No purchaser of moveable property shall have the right to dispose of the same until paid for, otherwise the full amount will become immediately due and demandable.

A. MONNIER, Clerk.

Sheriff's Sale.  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Rosemond Dugas, Justice of Peace.

BY virtue of a writ of F. F. B. Justice Court 3rd ward in and for the Parish of Lafayette, and State aforesaid, to me directed, will be sold to the highest bidder, on Saturday the 6th of March 1869, at the residence of the said defendant, one hundred (100) barrels of corn at the residence of said defendant. One brown horse.

Sheriff's office Vermilionville, La. 13th 1869. ALEXANDER

State of Louisiana, Parish of Lafayette.

WHEREAS Louis J. Ancelet, the parish of Lafayette, has filed in said Court praying for the appointment of administrator of the estate of Anolis Broussard, widow Pierre Hébert, deceased, Sr.

Any person intending to object to said appointment will file in said Court in the town of Vermilionville, within ten days from the date of this notice, otherwise said appointment will be made.

[L. S.] Given under my official signature in the town of Vermilionville, this 13th day of February 1869.

A. MONNIER, Clerk.

## Copartnership

THE undersigned, have since the 1st of October 1868, formed a partnership, under the name and style LABERGE & Co., for the purpose of carrying on a General Commission business in the city of New Orleans, and Warehouses, 17 St. Philip New Orleans, near the Opelousas Depot.

M. LABERGE  
H. F. SPRINGER  
LOUIS DUPRE

nov. 14, '68.—1 m.

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Vermilionville, La.  
January 9th 1869.