

QUICK, OR SLOW TRANSIT?

The action of the Police Jury on Monday in substituting for final action on the Bridge question the appointment of a committee to confer with the Superintendent of the railroad respecting the conversion of the bridge into a public thoroughfare as well as a railroad bridge, was wise and proper, and meets with the approbation of the friends of the proposed improvement, in this city. There was, indeed, hardly any other justifiable course to take, since there were no definite written propositions to be guided or to be bound by, and on neither side could intelligent, final action be taken. The matter is now in good shape for tangible thought and in fair progress for final settlement.

It was gratifying—to us, at least, who have sought to attain such a result—that the action of the Police Jury was reached unanimously, and that their conference with the Citizen's committee of the city was characterized by mutual expressions of an earnest desire to harmonize all imaginary conflicting views and interests. We have felt grieved, as one who holds, and has held for years, the interests and prosperity of the whole parish in vigilant care and keeping, to find that one side of the river should be arrayed against the other, or that the people of the country should be in any degree averse to the material progress of their parish site. The interests of both are indisputably blended, and no more appropriate motto could be adopted by both or either than that of Kentucky—"United, we stand; divided, we fall."

The committee will seek the proposed conference at once, and it is believed some definite action will follow within a week at furthest.

As pertinent to our heading, it may be mentioned that we yesterday and again to-day noticed eight cotton wagons on the west side awaiting ferriage across the river. The ferry flat, carrying only two wagons at a crossing, was 50 minutes in completing the job. With a bridge, the feet from bank to bank could have been gone over, without "hill up or hill down," by the entire train, in less than twice as many seconds, and this whether the river was full, or dead low, as it now is.

It is difficult to understand why, in such a state of facts, the people west of the river, as we are told, oppose the bridge movement.

SENATOR EUSTIS.

This distinguished gentleman arrived in town by Tuesday's train, having been called hither as one of the counsel for the defendants in the case of Hough vs. Goldman et al., which case is again before the U. S. District Court, on the exception that the plaintiff being a citizen of this State, is not entitled to a hearing before a Federal Court. This exception has already been decided adversely to plaintiff by a jury, which verdict was set aside by Judge Boardman, and the point comes up again.

In a hurried conversation with the Senator, we ascertained that he is not backing water in his disagreement with the President. The Democratic victory in New York, he holds, was a triumph for the straight-out Democracy, snowing the Mugwumps under, and at the approaching session of Congress, he feels confident, this ball will be kept in motion. The Senator is plumb full of adhesiveness, as he was during all the stormy times of the late

war and of the dismal days in Louisiana that followed.

Senator Eustis has attained a prominence that is national in its scope, and it would be but a poor recognition of the intelligence of the people of Louisiana not to say he is highly esteemed at home for his learning, probity and firmness.

Judge Goode, of Terrebonne parish, in his charge to the grand jury dwelt on the tariff and silver coinage question, and in their report this body says:

They listened with deep attention to your honor's exhaustive charge on the national questions of tariff and currency and are in full accord with your views on the subjects. But they have been profoundly impressed by the legislation of the past few years, that charges from the bench, or recommendation from grand juries do not have that weight in the Federal councils, which the gravity of the one or the concrete wisdom of the other justly deserve.

In the face of this patent fact, therefore, they hesitate to advise the assembled wisdom of the nation in these matters.

Our old friend Judge Goode has achieved considerable local fame, if not notoriety, for the cosmopolitan character of his charges.

In a charge not long ago, sweeping the horizon, he "lit" upon Blair's Educational bill, and gave that in charge to the jury, favoring its passage by Congress. The subsequent proceedings in that body seemed, however, not the least effected.

THE MARKETS.

NEW ORLEANS.

November 18

COTTON.

QUOTATIONS.	
Nov. 18—	
Good Middling.....	9 1/2
Middling.....	8 3/4
Low middling.....	8 1/2
Good ordinary.....	8 1/4
Ordinary.....	7 1/2

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

CORN—Dull:	
Mixed.....	48c
OATS—Steady; No 2, @ 35c.	
HAY—Quiet; @ \$16 @ \$17.50.	

CLOSING PRICES.

WHEAT—October, 93c bid; November, 93 1/2 bid; December, 96 1/4c; January, 98 1/2c bid; May, \$1 06 1/4.
CORN—October, 37 1/2c bid; November, 35 1/2 @ 35 1/2c bid, year, 33 1/2c bid, January, 33c bid, May, 36c bid.
OATS—October, 25 1/2c bid, November, 24 1/2 @ 26 1/2c bid, December, 25 1/2c bid, year, 26 1/2c bid, May, 29 1/2c bid.

ST. LOUIS.

November 18.

Pork—Standard mess \$8 75 heavy \$9 25.
Lard—Lower Refined tierce \$6 50.
Dry salt meats—Loose, shoulders \$3 20, extra longs \$5 00, long clear \$5 10, clear ribs 5 20, short clear \$5 40.
Boxed bacon—Long \$5 80, clear ribs \$5 30 short rib \$5 20 @ \$5 25 boxed.
Shoulders—Nominal @ \$3 25 \$3 37 1/2.
Hams—Lower \$9 25 @ \$10 50.
Flour—Quiet family \$3 70 @ \$3 80.
Corn—Higher, 39 1/2 @ 39 3/4.
Oats—Firm but slow 25 May 35 @ 35 1/2.
Wheat—Higher No. 2 94 1/2 @ 95.

LIVERPOOL.

NOON.

Cotton firm fair demand. Sales 3000,500. Uplands 5 3-16, Orleans 5 7-16, Receipts 11,000. American 10,800, Futures steady Delivery Nov 5-6 Nov Dec, 5-5 Dec, Jan'y 5-5 and 6, Jan'y Feb'y 5-8 and 7, Feb'y March 5-10 and 11, March April 5-14 and 13, April May 5-17 May June 5-20 June July 5-24. Tenders 400 new 100.

Noon 2 p. m.

Sales of American 5700 Futures firm at advance Delivery Nov 5.7 B, Nov and Dec, 5.6 Bid, Dec Jan'y 5.6 Bid, Jan'y and Feb'y 5.8 Bid, Feb'y and March 5.11 Bid, March and April 5.14 Bid, April and May 5.18 Bid, May and June 5.21 V, June and July 5.25 V.

Noon 5 p. m.

Futures barely steady Delivery Nov, 5.9 B, Nov Dec 5.7 S, Dec Jan'y 5.7 B, Nov Dec, 5.7 S, X Dec Jan'y 5.7 S, X Jan'y Feb'y 5.8 B, Feb'y March 5.12 S, X March April 5.15 S, X April May 5.18 V, K May, June 5.21 B, June July 5-25 S.

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