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Miss Maggie Whicher Salutatory, "The Sailor." J. Montgomery
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Pieces.

Mother's Fool. L. Harris Misses O. Oh! I have sighed to rest me, Leonard and E. Remondet R. Town. Tit for Tat, Misses M. Whicher and M. Collins. Miss M. Morgan. Somebody's Darling, Miss M. Morgan. A. B. C., Misses E. Briant and E. Rob-

inson. J. Paine. Little Indians, Six Years Old, T. Rhodes.

Just Twenty Years Ago=Song, Misses Frances Rogillio and E. Remondet. Quarrelsome Kitten, Miss A. Laws-Miss J. Whicher.

Burial, Sir. J. Moore, J. Lombard Lochiel's Warning, H. Town and A. Aronstien. Arithmetic Lessons, Miss M. Lavergue.

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Whicher. Between Master Johnnie Austen and Miss E. Briant. Polish Boy, Miss K. Egan Maid of Athens-Song, Miss O. Leon-

Tickle me under the Chin=Song, Leonard, Misses Briant, A. Rogillio and

A. Carmonche. TO THE PLANTERS OF WEST FELL. CIANA.

I have received from the Commission er of Agriculture at Washington the following letter, which explains itself.

I.would be pleased to forward the name of any one willing to receive the seeds and report the result of carfully made experiments to the Department as required. R. H. RYLAND.

R. H. RYLAND.

Washington June 11th 1878.

Sir. With a view of extending its benefits as widely as possible, this department is desirous of being placed in communication with intelligent farmers in every portion of the Union. Allow me in furtherance of this design to request that you will farmish us with the names and addresses of ten of the most successful and reliable farmers of your parish who can be depended upon for the careful cultivation of seeds, which may be sent them for trial, for a faithful report of their experiments; and for such facts and suggestions within their experiences will conduce to the general information of the dependent periods the and suggestions within their experience-as will conduce to the general informa-tion of the department, and promote the interest of the agricultural community at large. It is especially desired that these persons may be named solely on account of their fitness to subserve the interest of agriculture, and with no ref-erence whatever to politics or other considerations. considerations.

Very respectfully, WM. G. LEDUC. Commissioner of Agriculture.

LOOK OUT FOR THE ECLIPSE.

The total eclipse of the sun, which will be visible as a partial eclipse generally throughout the United States, occurs on the 29th inst., in the afternoon. Scientific American says:

The line of central eclipse-the region over which the centre of the shadow passes—begins in central Asia, Lat. 55 N., Long. 165 W., of Washington, and crosses Behring Strait into Alaska at 65 a southeasterly through British America and the United will exceed forty, and besides these States. The total phase will be observed from various points along the route of the Union Pacific Railroad. The line of totality leaves the United States near Galveston, where the total phase occurs at 4h. 30m. P. M.

Our personal appearance is a matter in which our friends and acquantances have a choice whether we shall inflict upon them an exterior uncared for and unattractive, a countenance marred by a neglected grizzled beard, or a crown guiltless of covering. half covered, or thatched with white hairs, or whether we shall in deference to our fellows, pay due regard to our own persons, and make them presentable and acceptable in socie ty. There are many helps for those who desire to do this, and there are none among them more acceptable than Hall's Hair Renewer and Buckingham's Dy for the whiskers. Both these preparations are kept for sale at all our drug stores, and if any of our friends are looking a little the worse for ware, we advise them to make a note of it.—North Star,

Dr. Harter's Fever and Ague Specific is endorsed by all physicans, and pre-scribed by them in their practice. For sale by all Druggists.

FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVEN-TON.—The following parishes, through the action of their respective mass meet ings, have already instructed their delegates to favor the movement for a constitutional convention, at the same time fully endorsing the administration of Gov. Nicholls. Though not definitely so expressed in every instance, it is understood that this endorsement of the State Administration by these several parishes which have instructed their delegates in favor of the convention, is in support of the understanding that the convention is not to disturb the State Government, as at present constituted. This is a just and wise provision-a course which we trust will be adopted by our mass meeting to-day:—Pointe Coupee, East Felici-ana, Avoyelles, Bienville, Caddo, Carroll, Claiborne, Concordia, DeSoto, Grant, Jackson, Lincoln, Tensas and Webster

One parish only, Ouachita, has declar-ed against the convention, while four have left their delegates entirely nu-The fact that the parishes declaring

for a convention have in every instance endorsed the administration of Gov Nicholls, destroys the chief, and we may say only argument arged by the opponents of a convention. It effectually does away with the ridiculous and unfounded assertion so frequently made by the enemies of the convention, that the convention men, as a body, had in view, as a primary object, the destruction of the Nicholl's government. The true object of the convention advocates is the regeneration of the organic law, and for this end we hope to see West Feliciana range herself to-day beside her sister parishes. Let her appear right on the record.

THE HOTTEST DAY FOR A HUNDRED YEARS.

FORTY DEATHS IN ST. LOUIS FROM SUN-STROKE IN ONE DAY.

New York, July 16-1he Herald, St. Louis special says that vesterday became historic in St. Louis and will be known as the hottest day ever experienced in that latitude. The day was one of terror. Forty adults were killed by sunstroke, prominent citizens were prestrated in their stores, and many favor an entire suspension of business until cooler weather.

The scenes at the Morgue are never to be forgotten. At noon there were fifteen corpses in the Morgue. Two horses of Undertaker Coffee foll deed in the streets while conveying the bedies of two victims to the cemetery, and Un dertaker Withers lost three horses in the same service.

Among the bodies laid out in

the Morgue was that of John Phalen, once a member of the City Council, and one of the most brilliant young men in the city. He had been picked up in the street dead from the effect of sunstroke Dr. Herman Vooister, ex-coroner. and the most noted athlete in St. Louis, if not west of the Mississippi, fell unconscious and expired shortly afterwards.

At 8 o'clock last night twentysix bodies were in the Morgne, and dispite the utmost care that had been taken, the stench was awful and pervaded the atmosphere for blocks away. Fifteen of the bodies were boxed for burial and the others were on ice. Most of the victims were of the poor and laboring classes, and many were un-known and destined to a quick and unceremonious burial.

The coroner's office was attach. ed to the Morgue all night, the coroner and deputies devoting their time receiving bodies. Many ladies and young people were prostrated in their residences, Horses and mules suffered intensely from the heat. Six street cars on the Broadway line were side-tracked because the teams had fallen dead, or were dving. Like casualties oc arred on other lines, and animals generally were oppressed equally with

men. It has been difficult to obtain an authentic list of fatal sunstrokes The names of the dead for the day one hundred more cases have office, and these form only a part for the ensuing year : of hundreds treated at drug stores F. M. Mumford and private residences throughout John Tadlock be city.

John Tadlock B. T. White

According to Prof. Tice, the James Wells meteorologist who lives here, to-day is the warmest day this latitude has had for one hundred years.

Our country press seem to be unanimous in their demand for a Constitutional Convention. The Black Crook Constitution foisted upon the State in 1868, was a fraud upon the people, and now that the elective franchise has been restored to them by the removal of the bayonet rule, it has become imperatively a matter of duty with them, to undo the infamous work of the past. Great care should therefore be observed, in selecting Secretary delegates to the approaching Baton Rouge Convention, whose opinions should be well sounded before they are vested with any authority by their constituencies. There must not be any discord in this convention, -N. O. Della.

Communicated. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS NO. 4.

Perhaps the best argument in favor of the amendments will be the amendments themselves and I ask of your readers their earnest consideration of each one, with the vote by which each was passed by the House. The vote in the senate was unanimous in their favor,

Amendment one is as follows: Representatives shall be chosen on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November every two years, and the election shall be completed in one day. The general assembly shall meet on the first Monday in January 1879 and bi-ennially thereafter, on the first Monday in January unless a different day be appointed by law and their session shall be held at the seat of government.

The vote on this amendment stood 93

yeas to 19 nays. Is there a man in West Feliciana who is not in favor of this amendment which erves to the tax payers the cost of one legislature every other year? And why should we vote for a constitutional convention in order to effect this saving which can be done at once by the passage of this amendment.

Amendment two. After the year 1878 the general assembly shall not have power to levy in any year for all state purposes mere than one per centum taxation, nor shall any collection of more than one per centum be made in any one year on the actual cash value of all real and personal property liable to taxation, except in case of a foreign invasion or in domestic insurrection, and in that event any additional taxation shall only be for the immediate purpose of repelling invation or suppressing insurrection. The city of New Orleans shall not levy or collect in any one year more than 11 per centum taxation on actual cash value of all real and personal property liable to taxation within its limits, no parish or muvicipal corporation except the city of New Orleans shall levy or collect in any one year more than one per centum tax ation upon the actual cash value of all the real and personal property liable to taxation within its limits. The general assembly shall not have the power to is-sue any bond, or pledge the faith of the State for any purpose, nor shall it authorize any parish or municipal corporation to issue any bond or create any debt : provided, that this shall not prohibit the issue of new bonds in exchange for old bonds, when the debt or rate of interest is not increased. This amendment pass ed the House by a vote of 102 year to 4

navs. It received almost the unanimous vote of those present, four Republicans alone voting against a measure which at once controls the legislature and prevents extravigances, relieves the people from the burden of high taxation, and prevents in the future a repetition of these evils which have so long oppressed our prople. This amendment if adopted will be the supreme law controling the next legislature. Then why wait for a convention which may not see fit to place this among the articles of the new constitution. You do not know what a convention will do. You may hope and believe that they will act wisely, but no human being can possibly know beforehand what sort of a constitution will be made. Do not trust them to a convention or wait for a convention. The matter is in your own hands. You have but to vote for this amendment, and the law is many vention would not dare repeal.

R. H. R. ment, and the law is made which a con-

INSTALLATION.

At a meeting of Bayou Sara Lodge No. 162, I. O. B. B. held on Sunday July 14th 1878 the following officers elect were installed to serve this term :

President Vice President Recording Sect'y Financial Sect'y Lecturer Monitor Asst. Monitor Warden

Guardian

I. Pollatsek. M. Goldman. M. Lehman, Jacob Michel. H. Picard. L. D. Cohn. Lazard Weil. Adolph Baer. M. Rosenthal. M. Alexander.

BAYOU SARA FIRE CO. NO At the regular meeting of this company, held on the 13th inst., been treated at the public medical the following officers were elected

President, Vice do, Foreman, 1st assistant, 2d do, Secretary, Treasurer,

R. H. Clay Janator. All in the above list except the

At a regular meeting of the Edwin Forrest Amateur Dramatic Association on the 15th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term :

Wm. Homerich. W. D. Rogillio. Max Sommers. Treasurer Jao. G. Magnire. E. H. Bockel. Manager Pius Levy. Asst. Manager Financial Sect'y Gus Brown.

-- Under head of new advertisements see the one offering \$25 reward.

HAYES'S GUILTY KNOWL-EDGE.

· From the Jackson Clarion.
That Hayes blmself had a guilits commission, if not before, no ty knowledge of the crime after doubt can possibly exist. Florida case is a repetition of the same story of fraud, forgery and perjury, and it is upon this superstructure that the Administration of R. B. Haves is shiver-Nothing can save it nor redeem it from lasting infamy. It is a mark for the finger of scorn and before its term expires, their will be none so eager as its own friends to bury it out of public

CARD OF THANKS.

The officers and members of the Edwin Forrest Amateur Dramatic Association, derire to return their heartfelt thanks to the young ladies who so nobly assisted them in their respective roles in making the performances of the 4th and 9th inst., a grand snocess. To the ladies who contributed and assisted at the refreshment tables, and to all their friends and the public in general for the many kind favors rendered them.

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A CARD.

A report having been put in circulation to the effect that my candidacy in the contest for the Shrievalty is in the interest of another candidate for the same office, I desire to say to my fellow-citizens that I am running, subject to the convention, in my indicidual interests alone, and that any reports to the contrary are unfounded in fact, unwarranted and malicious.

A. B. BRIANT. july 20-78-2t, july20-78-2t,

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C. Boekel,

July 20-78-4t.

Bayon Sara.

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NOTICE OF ESTRAY.

Taken up by Jeff. Lee, on the 1st day of July 1878, on the plantation of Mr. R. H. Halle, near Laurel Hill, A BAY MARE,

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U. E. PERCY, J. P. july-20-78. Sth Ward.

LEGAL NOTICE.

State of Louisiana, Parish of West Feliciana. Parish Court. Notice is hereby given, that A. Levy, administrator of the succession of Beaumont Freeland, Isaac and Mary F. Free-land, deceased, has filed a final account and tableau of distribution of the assets belonging to said successions, and unless legal opposition is filed therto within ten days, the same will be homologated C. M. BARROW

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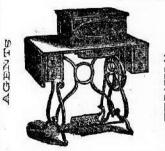
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