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**THE THEATRE.**—The young gentlemen composing the Thespian Association in our city, are bestirring themselves for a novel and interesting exhibition in the shape of a Pantomime, which they purpose giving at the Third Street Theater, on the night of the 22d inst. In view of this and other exhibitions which are to follow, several of the members possessed of artistic endowments, have, under the skillful direction of our friend, Willie Cooper, executed a number of very handsome stage scenes, a view of which it was our pleasing privilege in common with others to share on Tuesday evening last. The design and execution of these scenes, evince much taste and ingenuity on the part of the amateur artists and will add greatly to the beauty, attraction and stage effect of the Theatre.

**A SPLENDID PICTURE.**—Mr. W. F. Stokes, who is at present in our city, is the agent for the sale (by subscription) of the finest picture of that distinguished soldier—Gen. Robert E. Lee—that has yet appeared. It is of the "stipple and line engraving" order, and its merits as a correct and truthful likeness of the illustrious chieftain, is certified to in a circular before us, by such gallant officers as Gens. Hood, Beauregard and Longstreet.

The subscription prices for this gem of art, are put down as follows:  
For the engraving, 19 by 24, \$3. Framed in two inch rosewood and gilt moulding, size 16 by 20 square, \$7. Framed in oval rosewood and gilt, 8 inches wide, pattern 48, (matted), \$10.

Mr. Stokes, the agent, is stopping at the Harney House, and will solicit orders among our citizens, for this fine work of art.

Persons wishing to subscribe, can also have their orders filled on application at this office.

A framed specimen of the engraving may be seen at the store of Mr. Jas. McVay.

**ANOTHER CREVASSE.**—We learn that a break in the levee in front of Mr. Micajah Courtney's, in West Baton Rouge, about eighteen miles above this, occurred on last Monday night. Thus does disaster after disaster overtake our suffering neighbors in West Baton Rouge.

We are informed also, that the Chinn Levee, in the same parish, is in a very precarious condition. A body of laborers have been put to work upon it to try and save it.

The Hall Levee, just below our city, is still considered unsafe, requiring close watching. Some seventy of the Penitentiary hands were sent down there yesterday morning, under a requisition, to work upon it.

The heavy and constant rains of late have interfered very seriously with levee operations.

**SAD ACCIDENT.**—We learn that Mr. John D. Boyce, a carpenter of this city, met with a sad accident on Tuesday evening last. He was engaged in washing himself, when a revolver which he had about his person, fell, discharging the contents of one of the barrels and lodging the ball in one of his ankles, producing a very severe fracture.

**W. R. Fish,** formerly publisher of the True Delta, was to leave Washington on the 19th ult., to establish a Radical newspaper in New Orleans. Gen. S. L. Brown, has been spoken of as he manager of the paper.

If we were to have two Mayors, one to officiate by day and the other by night, we would nominate our neighbor of the Democrat for Night-mayor.—Louisville Journal.

Our neighbor of the Democrat is well known to be a remarkable mathematician. He is devoted to numbers, and, above all, No. 1.—lb.

The latest culinary novelty is alphabetical soup. Instead of the usual cylindrical and star shaped morsels of macaroni which have hitherto given body to our broth, the letters of the alphabet have been substituted. These letters of paste preserve their forms in passing through the pot.

## The Baton Rouge State Fair.

To the People of the State of Louisiana:

At a meeting of the members of the Baton Rouge State Fair Association, held on the 28th of March, 1867, it was unanimously agreed to postpone the Exhibition contemplated for the month of May ensuing, until the third Monday in October next; and the undersigned were appointed a committee to make official public notification thereof, and to explain the reasons which influenced this change in the original programme of the Association.

In obedience to the duty thus assigned them, the undersigned need only refer in brief to existing facts connected with the present unfortunate condition of the overflowed regions of the State, and to the general backwardness of the planting interests throughout the remaining regions; as also, to the yet unsettled condition of political affairs in the South—each in itself furnishing considerations of sufficient moment to induce a postponement of the Fair until next fall.

Without a general co-operation of the agricultural communities in the project of the Association, it would be vain to attempt holding a Fair this Spring, with expectations of success. This co-operation, it would be impossible, under the present adverse circumstances, for our agricultural friends to extend. A large proportion of the alluvial district in and contiguous to the Mississippi Valley, is inundated, entailing severe privations and sufferings upon the unfortunate inhabitants; and in the upland districts, an unpropitious season has interposed to set back the plans and progress of the husbandman. In view of such prospects, the time and attention of the important classes thus affected, must continue to be too seriously engaged with their own immediate affairs of family and home, to be directed to matters elsewhere.

For these reasons principally, was the State Fair postponed. Meanwhile, the Association will proceed with the work in hand of improving the grounds, to the end that they may be in a complete state of readiness for the Exhibition in October, by which time, it is hoped, that the suffering agriculturalists of our State may have so far recuperated their means and energies as to contribute by their presence and in whatever other manner they can, to the success of the Fair.

T. B. R. HATCH, }  
D. C. MONTAN, } Com.  
A. E. READ, }

Papers throughout the State will confer a favor upon the Association by publishing the above, or noticing it editorially in their columns.

The water is rising rapidly on Grosse Tête and Grand River. There is a vast crevasse on L. Petit's place, a mile and a half below the Indian Village.

There is no prospect of stopping the Hicky crevasse, and our neighbors above Bayou Plaquemine and on Bayou Jacob are ruined. They were by far the most thrifty planters in the State and had planted cane on an average of from one to three hundred hogheads of sugar, with corn and cotton quite as extensively. After so much trouble to get hands and plantation labor, on the part of so many planters, it is an outrage that they should be so deeply injured by sheer negligence, for the Hicky crevasse might have been easily prevented.—Iberville Pioneer, (Plaquemine) 6th inst.

MR. BALTHAZAR DUPUY, a wealthy and influential planter, died in this parish on the 1st inst., at the advanced age of 73 years.—lb.

Milkmen who water their milk do not do it with such impunity in Europe as appears to be the case in America. At Zug, in Switzerland, a land owner was recently tried and convicted of putting water in the milk that he sold, and condemned to eighteen months' imprisonment, the payment of the costs of the suit and a loss of civil rights.

A correspondent writing from Helena, Montana, says the mortality of that city is extraordinarily good for a new and mifing country, as only a dozen men have been killed within the last four weeks.

We endorse the timely and remedial suggestion thrown out by our correspondent in the annexed communication. The writer is a gentleman of high personal and professional character and standing in our community. His sentiments do honor to his generous nature and coupled with the practical method he proposes for furnishing the ill-fated inhabitants of the overflowed districts, with cultivable soil upon the uplands of our parish, cannot fail to meet with general commendation.

There are thousands of acres of good arable land in this parish now lying fallow and unproductive, the proprietors of which, should, and we doubt not, would, throw them open to the unfortunate refugees from the flood, free of rent, at least for the present year, or until such a time as the tenants could labor to accumulate a sum sufficient to pay a reasonable rent and finally to purchase homesteads for themselves and their families on ground above the reach of overflows.

Much of the vacant land mentioned, is within easy reach of this city, and could be made available for immediate use, so that corn, cotton, vegetables, &c., might yet be planted and mature in time to yield tolerable crops. But, there is no time to lose. Will not our parishoners—especially all of those who have spare land—take this matter at once into consideration—meet and confer together and concur upon a proposition to invite and encourage the now homeless people of the alluvial sections who can, by any possibility find means to get away with, to come without delay and fix their habitations and resume their agricultural labors upon some of the fertile and eligible spots which abound in our parish and which are far beyond the reach of the annual devastating floods of the Mississippi? We would most earnestly invoke the earliest attention of our fellow-citizens generally and of our planting friend and land owners particularly, to this subject.

We now make room for what our correspondent has to say on the subject:

### A Suggestion.

BATON ROUGE, LA., April 8th, 1867.

**Editor Gazette and Comet.**—Now that the people of Western Louisiana are submerged by the great flood, and they have no chance or prospect of cultivating the soil that is now overflowed by crevasses and otherwise, during the present year, would it not be advisable for the proprietors of lands of East Baton Rouge, to invite these people west of the Mississippi River to come to East Baton Rouge, where there are thousands of acres of rich and uncultivated and idle lands, and cultivate the soil of this parish free of rent and make something during the present year?

It is certain that under the present regime of things, the levees on the Mississippi River cannot be kept up, and there is no security for the planters now attempting to cultivate the alluvial lands of the Mississippi valley, and they would gladly accept the offering of the land proprietors of this parish to come and cultivate the soil free of rent, for the present year. Such an invitation would, it seems to the writer, meet the approbation of every individual in the parish, and would at the same time manifest a noble and generous spirit on the part of the people of East Baton Rouge, and be gladly accepted by hundreds of those who are now overflowed and desirous of a dry spot to apply the shovel and the hoe.

**THE LATE AFFAIR OF HONOR.**—Through the intervention of mutual friends, the matter at variance between Col. E. M. Yergler, of Jackson, and Col. J. M. Partridge, of Vicksburg, was honorably adjusted. We learn from those who were on the ground that both parties departed themselves with manly courtesy and dignity, and that the terms of settlement were eminently honorable and satisfactory. We regret to learn, however, that a difficulty subsequently occurred between Col. T. B. Manlove, of Vicksburg, and Col. Yergler, growing out of the former challenge, which resulted in a fight. We have not heard the particulars, but learn that on the first fire Col. Yergler's ball passed near Col. Manlove's head, cutting the hair, after which the parties returned to Vicksburg.—Memphis Avalanche.

The Emperor of Germany, Sigismund, being once asked the surest mode of attaining happiness, replied: only do in health what you promised to do when you were sick."

## TELEGRAPHIC.

**Foreign and Domestic.**  
WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations unanimously reported in favor of the Russian treaty. It was discussed, but no vote was had in the Senate this afternoon. The prospect is that the city will be ratified.

Information has been received by the Government that Maximilian is surrounded by the Liberals, with no possible chance of escape. Maximilian's friends are seeking help from the U. S. Government to induce Juarez to let Maximilian off with a whole skin and to give him safe conduct.

Surratt's trial is set for the present term. On account of awkward indictment and loosely connected circumstances his conviction is improbable.

Recent advices give the Fort Buford massacre a canardish complexion.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Georgia, through Charles O'Connor, of New York and Judge Black, of Pennsylvania, will file a petition similar to the Mississippi complaint.

NEW YORK, April 8.—Cotton market easier. Sales to-day, 1200 bales middling at 27 1/2 @ 28c. Gold, 155 1/2.

LIVERPOOL, April 8.—Evening.—Cotton continued heavy throughout the day, closing with a declining tendency. Middling uplands 12 1/2d.

LONDON, April 8.—The uncertainty regarding Napoleon's future action, and the fear of his adopting a warlike policy, create a widespread distrust in commercial circles, and in consequence there is a great business depression.

**A NEW Jewish Synagogue** on Jackson street, New Orleans, was consecrated on Friday, the 5th inst., with all the usual imposing ceremonies attending like occasions. The Bulletin, in describing the edifice and the ceremonies, says:

It is a plain structure, but neat and well proportioned, after the design by Mr. Thiele, the same architect who planned the Carondelet street Synagogue, the National Theatre and other noted buildings in this city. The consecration ceremonies were most imposing. After the assembling of the congregation the doors were closed and a symphony played, and the minister and choir chanted a sacred psalm; the procession then entered and walked slowly up to the reading desk. The blessing was pronounced by the Rev. H. Edinger, and the sacred scrolls of the law were carried round seven times in solemn procession, a psalm being chanted at each circuit. After the return to the ark of the sacred scrolls, and other appropriate music and ceremonies, the consecration sermon was delivered by the Rev. H. Jacobs. Regular evening service was then held. The Rev. H. Edinger pronounced the benediction.

**THE PAY OF ARMY OFFICERS.**—The following statement of the pay belonging to each grade of officers in the United States army has been carefully prepared, and reports the amount per annum, after deducting the income tax:

A general receives.....	\$16,465 10
A lieutenant general.....	13,910 10
A major general.....	7,956 95
A brigadier general.....	6,513 50
A colonel.....	3,968 20
A lieutenant colonel.....	2,734 70
A major.....	2,403 15
A captain.....	1,969 15
A first lieutenant.....	1,733 15
A second lieutenant.....	1,527 10
A second lieutenant, cavalry.....	1,533 93
A second lieutenant, foot.....	1,469 90

This includes the additional pay voted by the Thirty-ninth Congress, which lasts for two years from July 1st, 1866. For every five years' service as an officer in any grade, an addition of one hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents per annum is made. Officers who are not on duty with troops, or who are not furnished with quarters in kind, receive in lieu of them a certain sum per month, which varies in different localities. The amount is based upon the rate of rent and the price of fuel.

**AN HONORABLE RECORD.**—A well known magistrate of this city, says the Richmond Examiner, whose testimony as to the facts referred to below is undoubtedly the most reliable that can be obtained here, says:

"I was Commonwealth's Attorney of the city of Richmond for twenty-one years, and in that long interval I prosecuted only three Jews, and two of them were most honorably acquitted, there being not a particle of evidence to sustain the charges. During my fourteen years of service as a magistrate, only one Jew before me for trial and he was acquitted. In all that long interval I do not remember having ever received an application for public charity from any individual of either sex or any age belonging to that faith.—And, so far as I am aware, no Jewish child has ever received even the benefits of our free schools, for which their parents, without a murmur, pay their taxes."

Porson, in a social party, offered to make a rhyme on anything, when some one suggested one of the Latin gerunds, and he immediately replied:  
"When Didlo found Aneas would not come,  
She mourned in silence and was Di-do-dum."

## LINES.

By the lake where drooped the willow  
Row, vesalia, row!  
I want to be an angel,  
And jump Jim Crow.

An old crow sat on a hickory limb,  
None named him but to praise;  
Let me kiss him for his mother,  
For he smells of Schweitzer kase.

The minstrel boy to the war has gone,  
With the banjo on his knee;  
He woke to hear his sentries shriek,  
There's a light in the window for thee.

A frog he would a-wooing go,  
His hair was curled to kill;  
He used to wear an old gray coat  
And the sword of Bunker Hill.

Oft in the stilly night,  
Make way for liberty! he cried,  
I won't go home till morning,  
With Peggy by my side.

I am dying, Egypt, dying;  
Susannah don't you cry;  
Know how fully sublime a thing it is  
To brush away the blue-tailed fly.

The boy stood on the burning deck,  
With his baggage checked for Troy;  
One of the few immortal names,  
His name was Pat Malloy.

Mary had a little lamb,  
He could take an unfold.  
He had no teeth for to eat the hoe-cake,  
And his spectacles were gold.

Lay on, lay on, Macduff,  
Man wants but little here below,  
And I'm to be Queen of the May,  
So kiss me quick and go!

A farmer saw an advertised  
recipe to prevent wells and cisterns  
from freezing. He sent his money  
and received this for an answer:  
"Take in your well or cistern on  
cold nights, and keep it by the fire."

The following is probably  
the worst conundrum ever perpetrated:  
Why is a dog's tail like an old  
man? Because it is in firm.

## DIED.

At Little Hope, at half past 8 o'clock, A. M., on the 7th inst., PHILIP PICKER, third son of Henry H. and Mary Walsh, aged 6 years and 9 months.

In Houston, Texas, March 10th, 1867, Mrs SARAH JANE HAND, wife of Anthony Montan, Jr., formerly of Baton Rouge.

## New Advertisements.

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10 barrels extra White Castor Oil,

20 gallons refined Castor Oil.

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