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☞ His office is open from Sunrise to A. M., his 2 P. M., and from 4 till 8 in the evening.
☞ PEET & MORTON have removed to 25 Magazine street. m17

DORNAY, VINCENT & CO.,
Auctioneers and Commission Merchants,
No. 84 Chartres street, New Orleans.
☞ Business attended to with care and despatch. Liberal advances will be made upon all goods deposited for sale. m15 6m

☞ S. S. VANDERBURGH & Co., No. 3, Old Levee, will make liberal cash advances on cotton, sugar, molasses, &c., consigned to Benjamin Fish, Esq., New York, or to Joel Foster, Esq., Boston. m13

WILLIAM DAVIDSON & CO.,
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No. 81 Canal street, New Orleans. m6

☞ MR. JOSEPH A. HALL — our legally authorized Agent and Attorney in fact, during his absence from this city. 1172—41 NORCROSS & FISDICK

ADVANCES—Liberal cash advances will be made on consignments of sugar, molasses and coffee, to our friends in Cincinnati. REYNAUD & FALLON, 16 Bienville st. d13 1f

FOSDICK & BROTHER,
Commission and Forwarding Merchants,
No. 66 Campstr t, New Orleans. m26

HUODRICK, WOODS & Co.,
Commission and Forwarding Merchants,
No. 92 Tchoupitoulas street. m1

OWNERS of property within the limits of the Corporation are informed that the collection of Taxes imposed on said property will commence during the month of May next. J F DU CAZRY, Treasurer. m12—1m

LOUISIANA LEGION.
HEAD QUARTERS,
New Orleans, January 28, 1845.
GENERAL ORDER No 11.

An election will be held on the first Saturday in May next, and Division, L. M.) for the purpose of electing Officers of Brigade, Regiment and Battalion, by the death of Major General E Rosser of

The polls will be opened from 10 to 12 o'clock, A. M. at such places as assigned to each Brigade, viz.
1st Brigade ..... at ..... Vermilionville.
1st do ..... at ..... Opelousas.
5th do ..... at ..... Natchitoches.
6th do ..... at ..... Monroe.
6th do ..... at ..... Vidalia.

By order of the Commander in Chief,
J. A. ARMANT, A. G. and Insp General.
m18—1t (e) May.

☞ REMOVAL.—DR. DE PALOS, Professor of Modern Languages, has removed his office to No 11 Exchange Place, where he continues his classes in the French and Spanish Languages.

He respectfully announces to those who wish to study a succession of the Modern Languages, that his method possesses the advantages requisite to bring a pupil up to a tolerable degree of proficiency in the Spanish or French tongue and write fluently and elegantly, with ease and speed. The science being so much improved that the labor of years is reduced to a few days or weeks, instead of months.

Young gentlemen attending other avocations are requested to enter their names at the Repository of improved Speech, at No 11 Exchange Place, or, if more, office No 5, opened from 9 o'clock in the morning until 2 P. M. and from 4 o'clock in the evening. m8 1f

LOSS OF CERTIFICATE.

WHEREAS the following Certificate of Shares in the Lake Pontchartrain Ferry Company, in the name of J. C. de St. Romy, viz:

No 186, dated 28 February, 1832, for two shares, upon which there has been paid the sum of $50 dollars, No 208, dated 31 March, 1832, for five shares, upon which there has been paid fifty dollars, has been purchased by the undersigned, who hereby gives notice to all persons interested therein, to show cause why such stock from his transfer should not be issued to him, if no cause be shown, it will be done according to the by-laws of the Company.

D F GUEX, Secretary.
New Orleans, April 8th, 1845. m10

ATTENTION.

THE Collector of Taxes, imposed according to law by the Principal Ferry Company, hereby said to have offered to pay, whether resident or non-resident, who have such taxes upon that said Taxes will become due on the 1st of May next, and that the said Ferry will be ready to keep at the Parish Court House, City of Lafayette and adjoin from 9 o'clock, A. M. to 3 o'clock P. M. every day.
Y. LEVAULD, Collector.
Parish of Jefferson, March 19th, 1845. m26—2m—2m

BOOTS, SHOES, HATS.—Now landing and in store, a prime assortment of Boots, Shoes and Hats, which we constantly replenished by late arrivals, and for sale at reduced prices:
Men's best calf sewed Boots and Brogans.
Ladies' and misses' calf sewed Brogans.
Ladies' kid and morocco Slippers and Ties.
Ladies fine kid and morocco Slippers and Ties.
Men's and boy's calf and kip pegged Brogans.
Men's fine calf and kip and brass pegged Boots.
Women's neat and calf pegged Brogans.
Youth's and children's calf and kip pegged Brogans.
Men's and boy's fine and common Russia Hats.
Men's fine merino, cassimere, silk and Russia Hats.
Do and boy's fine and common sporting Hats.
Wool Hats—black, drab, gray and white.
Cassimere Hats, double brim, fine and common.
Palm leaf hats, fine and 1 price—constantly for sale by m26—1f FROST & Co, 12 Magazine.

NOTICE.

The undersigned has for sale at the most reduced prices, in his Grocery store, No 98, Camp street, a large and valuable collection of most rare Fruit trees, cuttings, bulbs, seeds, plants and a great variety of other greenhouse, taste and exotics. He has nearly one hundred more before unpacked, which he promptly exposes and sent gratis to the steamboats. JOHN M BACH.

REMOVAL.
PEET & MORTON,
No. 25 Magazine Street.
ARE receiving per ships Hargrave, Auburn and Oswego, a large assortment of Spring goods, viz: Plain and fancy styles, black cambrics; pink and blue do; black and fancy corded gingham; printed lawns; Paris and Marseilles muslins; Swiss and Jaconet do; a large assortment of fresh spring goods, which will be sold low for cash. m24

JAMAICA RUM—20 pipes Dr. John's imitation Jamaica Rum with proof, for sale by W F VERDENBURGH & Co, 80 Old Levee m16

QUINN—100 barrels prime new rolled hemp, landing ex steamship J Madison, and for sale by W F VERDENBURGH & Co, 80 Old Levee m16

HEMP—50 bales prime new rolled hemp, landing ex steamship J Madison, and for sale by WOOD & SIMMONS, 84 Magazine st m16

BALE ROPE—100 coils small bale rope, landing ex steamer James Madison, and for sale by WOOD & SIMMONS, 84 Magazine st m16

DRIED PRUNES—31 boxes fine fruit, prime, in jars for sale by LOISON & SILVESTRE, 36 Chartres street m16

SWEET OIL—401 barrels sweet oil, in large and half bottles, Pleasant mark, warranted, for sale by LOISON & SILVESTRE, 36 Chartres street m16

SARDINES—50 cases fresh sardines, in large and small bottles, for sale by LOISON & SILVESTRE, 36 Chartres street m13

COLLORED SHIRTS—100 fancy worsted colored shirts for sale by LOISON & SILVESTRE, 36 Chartres street m16

HAVANA SUGARS—270 boxes received by the Carolina, 47 do per Andrew Jackson, and do per Shepherd, for sale by FRANCIS LAMPRE, 27 Old Levee m9

WINDOW GLASS—300 boxes well assorted, warranted not to fade, for sale by W F VERDENBURGH & Co, 30 Old Levee m14

WINE—Now landing from the barque Chenango, from Bordeaux, red and white wine, for sale by S B ELLMORN, 76 and 80 St. Louis street

SEERSUCKER—4 cases India Seersucker Reed, just shipped, and for sale by R G HOBBS, 12 Commercial street m8

SHEETINGS—12 cases 7-8 Great Falls sheetings, landing from ship Viola, and for sale by WM FROST & Co, 20 Old Levee m8

MATTING—100 rolls 4-4 Variegated Matting, 18 to 25 c. do, landing from ship Viola, for sale by WM FROST & Co, 20 Old Levee m5

COGNAC BRANDY—12 qr pipes 4th proof, J J Dupuy's, warranted to be genuine, for sale by W F VERDENBURGH & Co, 30 Old Levee m8

ST LOUIS FLOUR—200 bbls Eagle mills, 300 do extra, 50 Eagle do, 3,00 do other brands, for sale by G & R BUCHANAN & Co. 82 Tchoupitoulas m19

TIN PLATE—120 boxes one third IC for sale by G & R BUCHANAN & Co, 82 Tchoupitoulas m19

DRIED BEEF—4 casks, for sale by G & R BUCHANAN & Co, 82 Tchoupitoulas m19

WHITE BEANS—For sale by G & R BUCHANAN & Co, 82 Tchoupitoulas m12

STAR CANDLES—40 boxes very superior brand, for sale by G & R BUCHANAN & Co, 82 Tchoupitoulas m12

CURB AND GUTTER STONE—1,000 feet curb and gutter stone, for sale in sets or split purchasers. Apply at the Lake Pontchartrain Ferry Office. m11

COFFEE—Prime Havana, fine quality, in bags of 100 lbs, for sale 300 sacks, for sale by NO BEE Office.

FLOUR—300 bbls superfine flour landing ex Louisiana from St Louis, for sale by JAMES E WOODRUFF, 66 Camp m20

TABLE SALT—30 cases Sicily table salt in store and for sale by J W STANTON & Co, corner Magazine and Lafayette m18

LAUDANUM—Opium, Lagnaut from Bordeaux, 200 bottles, Wilcox's, 1 case, for sale by DAHAN, QUEYROUZE & Co, 11 and 13 St Louis m18

NEW ORLEANS BEE

J. MAGNE & WEISSE, PROPRIETORS.
NO. 81 CHARTRES STREET.

Official Journal of the State,
AND COUNCIL OF MUNICIPALITY No. 3.

NEW-ORLEANS,
THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 15, 1845.

THE CONVENTION.

The Convention terminated its labors yesterday, although the adjournment *sine die* will probably not take place until to-day, nothing remains, save the Enrollment of the Constitution.

It was determined that the new Constitution should be published within twenty days following its adoption, to wit:—in New Orleans in the *Bee, Courier, Bulletin* and *J. Ferssonian*, and in all the country papers, and that the sum of $225 should be allowed for its publication in English alone, and $50 in English and French.

A motion having been made to reject the provision requiring the Legislature to remove the seat of Government at least sixty miles from New Orleans, the President declared the motion out of order, whereupon a long and animated discussion arose, in which Messrs Eustis, Grymes, Peun, Benjamin and Wadsworth took part in favor of the city, and Mr. M. Taylor spoke on the opposite side. An appeal from the decision of the chair was taken, but the President was sustained by a small majority. So it was finally determined that the seat shall be removed from New Orleans, and shall not be fixed within sixty miles of this dreaded city.

Mr. Winchester moved that the provision which requires the Constitution shall be submitted not only to the qualified electors under the old instrument, but to those who will become electors in the event of its adoption should be rejected out. After some debate the motion was lost—33 to 34. A grave question here arises as to whether the Convention has not gone beyond its powers in this decision. An eminent lawyer and member of that body—Mr. Rowlins—unhesitatingly affirmed yesterday that it had, and that the Election Judges could not without violating their oath, admit any others to the privilege of suffrage on the occasion referred to, than those who are voters under the old Constitution.

The Convention then proceeded to vote upon the final adoption of the Constitution. This solemnity occupied about one hour, as nearly every member considered himself bound to specify at some length the reasons for his vote. The following was the result:

YEAS: Messrs. Walker, Beatty, Bourg, Brazealе, Brent, Brumfield, Burton, Cade, Carrière, Chambliss, Chinn, Couvillon, Culbertson, Downs, De Bouchel, Dunn, Eustis, Garrett, Guinn, Hudspeth, Hamblet Hynson, Kenner, Labauve, Ledoux, Lewis, McCallop, McRae, Marigny, Mayo, Pitts, Penn, Porter, Prescot of A.; Prescot of St. L.; Preston, Prudhomme, Pugh, Read, Roselius, Saunders, Scott of B. R.; Scott of Madison; Sellers, Soulé, Splane, Stevens, Taylor of St. L.; Trist, Voorhies, Waddill, Wadsworth, Wederstrandt and Winder; 55.

NAYS. Messrs. Aubert, Benjamin Boudousquié, Briant, Cenas, Claiborne, Conrad of O; Conrad of J. Dirlies, Garcia, Legendre, Maurigau, Roman, St. Vernisse, Winchester—14.

A resolution was presented requiring the Secretary and Clerks of the Convention to continue their employment, for a certain number of days and to attend to the printing of the convention. Adopted. Another resolution was adopted restricting the Committee on Contingent Expenses to inquire into the expediency of allowing extra compensation to the French and English printers to the Convention. A third resolution proposing an extra allowance to the two reporters, was under discussion when the Convention adjourned.

RELIGIOUS ANNIVERSARIES.

The New York papers teem with accounts of the annual May meetings of various associations most of them religious, in that great capital. On Sunday the 4th inst., three of these societies had their customary convention. The first was the New York Bible Society, of which the annual sermon was preached by Rev. CHARLES H. READ, Pastor of the Pearl street Church. This Society was formed twenty-one years ago. Its object is the distribution, of Testaments and Bibles to criminal and humane institutions, military and naval stations, and among seamen and emigrants. The number given away in the course of a year is very considerable. During the past year 6,873 Bibles and 9,905 Testaments were distributed. The receipts of the Society exceed those of the year previous by about $700.

The Presbyterian Board of Missions held their annual assemblage at the Grant street Church, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. HENRY A. BOARDMAN, of Philadelphia.

The Foreign Evangelical Society met at the Bleecker street Church, where Dr. BACON delivered the usual discourse. A collection was then taken up for the benefit of the Society, and and after prayer and singing the meeting was dispersed.

The American Seamen's Friend Society held its annual meeting on the 5th inst., at the Broadway Tabernacle. This association is devoted to the propagation of Temperance and sound morals among sea-faring men, and the reports show a cheering state of things. The operations of the Society have redounded to the good of the seamen, the benefit of mankind and the furtherance of the Gospel. The meeting was addressed by Capt. W. L. HUDSON of the U. S. Navy, Mr. F. G. CLARK, one of the sailors engaged in the late exploring expedition and others.

There is still a great number of Societies whose anniversary remains to be commemorated, such as the Anti Slavery Society; American Sunday School Union; Tract Society; French Moral Reform Society; Temperance Union; Christian Alliance, &c. &c.

We have been struck with no little surprise, at observing among these associations, a Society of professed infidels, who desecrated the Sabbath by holding a Convention on that day. They assembled in one of the most public places in the city of New York, at the head of this movement is the celebrated Scotchman ROBERT OWEN, of Lanark, the great Socialist, Fourrierite and founder of New Harmony—a man of very decided ability, but whose intellect is tainted by most mischievous and deplorable heresies. These people have held crowded assemblages in Broadway and other public thoroughfares, in their discussions ensbered at religion as a "fashionable superstition." Strange to say, the leading colaborer of OWEN is Mrs. Rose—a Polish female (we are heartily rejoiced that she is no American,) who like the sex generally when they wander from the social sphere, which they were created to adorn and dignify, exhibited much eccentricity and uttered a vast quantity of nonsense. We have no fear of the diffusion of the detestable sentiments uttered by these supporters of infidelity. Error may be tolerated when reason is left free to combat it.

THE MATCH BETWEEN PETTONA AND FASHION.—The N. Y. *Herald*, of the 6th, says in reference to this great match:—Numbers are already flocking into the city in anticipation of this great piece of sport, and plenty of money is fluctuating or pending on the result. The supporters of Fashion have somewhat rallied; they now take ninety to one hundred on her, but they were like angel's visits, "few and far between." They do not like the sight of the "big mare." Twenty-seven feet at a stride is not to be sneezed at in these times and under such circumstances. Fashion will be on the island tomorrow, should the weather permit. The Union course, on the day of the great match, will be under the charge of the Sheriff of the county, assisted by a number of officers of police of this city. It appears there is a determination on the part of the Jockey Club to keep the track clear on that day, and it is to be hoped that other matters, equally necessary, will be as well looked to.—It will not be the fault of the worthy Treasurer of the club if it is not.

TROTTING MATCH.—A match for a purse of $250—two mile heats—in harness, between Lady Suffolk and American, on the Centreville course, N. Y., on the 5th inst, was won by the former. Lady Suffolk won the first and third heats.

TIME:
1st heat—5:09
2d heat—5:16
3d heat—5:12

ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.—The great fire which destroyed so large a portion of Pittsburgh is said to have been caused by the carelessness of a drunken washerwoman. The Pittsburgh correspondent of the *American Temperance Union*, states that the owner of the premises informed him that as she was washing on that windy day, she made a fire in an old unused wooden building, which previous accounts say was a rude structure put up to cover an ice house, and the fire did, ran by the wind, very soon enveloped in flames not only the frail and combustible shed in which it began, but also half the city.

GREAT FIRE IN NEWBURN, N. C.—We have says the Washington *Chronicle*, verbal intelligence that a most destructive fire occurred in Newburn, on Friday morning last. As we hear, some thirty or forty buildings were consumed on South Front and Middle streets—among the number many large and valuable brick stores. No estimate of the amount of loss has been received.

☞ The Washington correspondent of the New York *Express* states that Blair & Rives retire from the press with upwards of half a million of dollars. The fact does seem to be confined to an cents in the desert of editorial life.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

ECLIPSE COURSE CARROLLTON.

Report of Ellworth's performance during the last 24 hours, viz: from 20 minutes of 6 o'clock, P. M. on the 13th, until 20 minutes past 4 o'clock, P. M. on the 14th of May, 1845.

	TIME OF STARTING.		TIME MADE.		REMARKS.
May 13th, 1845.	Min.	H	Min.	Sec.	
	20	6	15	6	Very warm.
		8	16	00	
	30	9	15	30	
		10	16	30	
	20	10	16	0	
		12	17	30	
	20	13	17	30	Cloudy, with the entire.
14th		14	17	0	
		2	17	30	
	20	4	16	45	
		6	17	15	
	20	8	17	00	
		9	16	30	
	20	10	16	45	
		12	17	0	
	20	13	16	30	
		14	16	45	
	20	2	16	43	
		4	17	15	
	20	6	18	10	
		8	16	45	
	20	10	16	15	
		12	16	00	
	20	13	16	00	
		14	16	43	
	20	2	16	45	Heavy rain, do do
		4	18	10	
		6	14	0	

Mile H. M. S.
Time of performing the 24th—6. 19: 35.
Completed 468 miles at 14 mls. and 6 sec. past four o'clock, P. M.

☞ Thomas Gallagher has been arrested by the First Municipality police on a charge of forging the name of Mr McHenry to a letter, by means of which he endeavored to procure $10 from a prisoner confined in the parish jail. Recorder Genois has remanded him for further examination.

☞ Recorder Genois has dismissed the charge against Wm Maloney of stealing lumber, mentioned in yesterday's paper, there not being the slightest evidence to support it.

☞ Bridget Johnson and Catharine Calhoun alias Elizabeth White, found drunk, were sent to the workhouse yesterday by Recorder Genois, the former for 30 and the latter for 15 days.

☞ George Campbell, John Campbell and John Smith alias Jackson alias Fancy Jack, arrested as dangerous and suspicious characters, were sent to the workhouse yesterday by Recorder Genois, there to remain, each of them, for one month.

☞ Harry Braun, an incorrigible vagebond, got a ticket from Recorder Genois for fifteen days residence in the workhouse.

☞ We are indebted to the officers of the steamer H. Kinney for late Arkansas papers.

FELICITOUS.—A writer in the *Knickerbocker*, describes the bray of a jackass as "*asthma, carried on by powerful machinery!*"

LOUISVILLE.—The municipal election in Louisville on the 5th inst., resulted, as usual, in a complete whig triumph. The locofocos carried but one ward—the First—by about twenty votes.

☞ James Jarvis alias Jacobs has been arrested by the First Municipality Police, as a dangerous and suspicious character and handed over to the Third Municipality authorities.

WINTER YET IN CANADA.—The Quebec *Gazette*, of the 23d April, has the following:—"The weather at Quebec continues fine; but there is a frost every night, and still a great deal of snow on the ground. Not a fourth part of the fields are yet bare, and in some places in the roads it lies to a depth of four or five feet. In the hard woodlands there is still about three feet." At Houlton, Maine, on Wednesday, the snow was four feet deep.

From the Washington Union.

OFFICIAL
APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT.

Edmund Burke, Commissioner of Patents, in place of Henry L. Ellsworth, resigned.

Mr. Ashmun, Chief Justice of Iowa, at Sackett's Harbor, N. York, vice John O. Dickey, removed.

Phineas W. Leland, Collector of Fall River, Mass., vice Charles A. Holmes, removed.

Edwin Wilbur, Collector of Newport, R. I., vice W. Ennis, removed.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN NEW YORK.—On the night of the 5th inst. a fire broke out in the extensive Steam Mahogany Saw Mills of Messrs. Gardner & Miller & Co. on the corner of Laight and Greenwich streets, which, with its valuable contents of fine woods, machinery, &c. were entirely destroyed. The building was an immense one, about fifty feet on Greenwich street, and sixty or more on Laight street, six stories in height. The fire was prevented from extending by the exertions and skill of the Firemen.

KENTUCKY.—The Whigs of Kentucky are adopting proper measures to ensure harmony and union by a wise organization for the Congressional elections in August. They throw away four districts in 1843, entirely by their own dissentions. This year they seem determined to make amends for past backslidings, and promise to send 9 good and true Whigs to Congress, out of the ten members to which the State is entitled. We shall be satisfied with eight, and will not complain if we get seven.

☞ The population of Canada at the present time is 693,619. Of these there are, natives of the country, of French origin, 518,565; natives, of British origin, 85,075; England, 11,836; Ireland, 44,012; Scotland, 13,341; Continental Europe, 2,353; United States, 11,911. The proportion of deaf and dumb to the whole population is greater than in all other countries, except Switzerland and Baden. In Canada it is one to about every nine hundred and fifty-seven; in Europe one in one hundred five hundred and thirty seven; in the United States one in every two thousand. In the world, so far as known, one in every one thousand five hundred and fifty-six.

NEW YORK, May 6th, 1845.

LATER FROM CANTON.—The ship Helena, Captain Benjamin, arrived yesterday from Canton, from which port she sailed on the 27th January, thus bringing intelligence considerably later than by the previous arrivals. She brought, however, no papers and few letters, and we are therefore without our usual files. The news seems to be of very little importance.

H. M. ship Vixen returned to Hong Kong on the 22d of January, bringing from Whampoa another instalment of the indemnity, amounting to $3,000,000. The money was paid in Spanish dollars, which is at a premium of from 5 to 6 per cent in India.

The Singapore Free Press of the 7th Nov. states that Capt. Dundas, of the Royal Navy, on the south coast of China, reports having very distinctly seen a rock with heavy breakers on it bearing N. E. by N. distant about three miles, with Pulo Sapalo bearing N. W. by W. distant 8 miles.

A circular from the Baptist Mission in China states that during the year, *eighteen* natives have been baptized and received into the Church. Some of them are men of high literary attainments: only one of them has been excluded. There are between twenty and thirty cases of interesting inquiry. There are thirteen native preachers at work in Hong Kong and the surrounding towns, and great success had attended their labors. The Mandarins of Kowloon have given the Missionaries permission to open one of their idol temples. Arrangements are in progress to open two dispensaries on the Island of Hong Kong. The diseases for which help is chiefly sought, are those of the eye, rheumatism and injuries; and the readiness with which the foreign medicines are taken, and the patience with which the people submit to surgical operations, are strong indications of the confidence felt by them towards the Missionaries.

There has been much less sickness in the colony during the past year than during 1843, and many improvements, such as drains, roads, &c. are in progress, which are calculated greatly to benefit the health of the place. —*Courier & Enquirer.*

The Washington *Union*, in commenting upon a recent article in the *National Intelligencer*, puts forth the following plain and distinct expression of views.—We place them on record, because they are beyond a doubt, a manifestation of the sentiments of the administration on the Oregon Question, and are of importance as indicating even more decidedly than in a previous article, the willingness of the government to settle the controversy by amicable negotiation:

"THE OREGON NEGOTIATION.—The National Intelligencer of this morning might very well have saved itself the necessity of reading its long homily to the administration and the people. We do not understand that the Executive of the United States has any disposition of closing the door to any negotiation with Great Britain upon the Oregon question, and, therefore, we presume that all the inferences which the Intelligencer draws from the supposed violent ground that the United States (for instance) '*will not negotiate*' upon such a course, leaving us the 'alternatives of *national dishonor* and all the desolations which it so *misnion or war*; and all the denunciations which it so liberally pours forth upon the 'shocking absurdity' and the barbarous doctrine that 'we ought not to negotiate,' (which the National Intelligencer so pertinaciously ascribes to the Republicans) and that thus we revive that old umpirage of private rights—the *wager of battle—are entirely misplaced.*

"We certainly do not understand that the negotiation about Oregon is at an end; or that our Administration is determined or willing to terminate it; or that there is the prospect of amicably adjusting the dispute; or that it must necessarily be the breaking up the peace of the two great countries. We see no necessity, therefore, of saying the *bright alternative* which the National Intelligencer is so pleased to make out in its misborne article of near one column and a half. We yet trust that the case may go forward to its peaceful and reasonable decision; and in spite, too, of all the unnecessary menace of the British Ministers and all the blustering of the London journals.

"Instead of giving its gratuitous and superfluous advice to our Cabinet, we should have been better pleased to see the National Intelligencer coming out with the expression of its opinions on the question itself—we should have been much better satisfied to have the claims of our country against the pseudo and arguments of British tongue and British pen; and we still hope to see that journal thus employed, not again, as in the case of Texas, counteracting the rights and the interests of our own country."

NEW WORKS.—We are indebted to Harper & Brothers, through the politeness of J. B. STREL, No. 14 Camp street, for the following works:

THIRWALL'S HISTORY OF GREECE, Part VII. This admirable history is nearly completed. One more number finishes the work.

CORSE DE LEON or the Brigand. One of James' amusing novels, forming No. 5 of Harper's Pocket Editions of select novels.

THE MAID OF HONOR, or the Massacre of St. Bartholomew, a tale of the sixteenth century. This is a charming romance translated from the French of Madame Bawr.

PRINCIPLES OF MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE, by Wm. A. Guy, first American edition, edited by C. A. Lee, who has added 200 pages of original matter. This is a work of standard value as a comprehensive and lucid epitome of the science of Forensic Medicine—a science comparatively of recent origin, but vastly important in settling questions of the greatest interest both in a moral and social aspect.

EBY'S REPORT ON METEOROLOGY.—Our acknowledgments are due James P. Espy, Esq., for a copy of his first report on Meteorology, addressed to the Surgeon General of the United States Army. It is a most valuable publication, embracing 22 maps, designed to illustrate Mr Espy's Theory of Storms, by a reference to the weather of 1843 in various parts of the United States. The charts are furnished with copious explanations. Annexed to the work is a very large plate showing the comparative fluctuations of the Barometer.

☞ We have been presented by the author with a copy of a pamphlet entitled "The case of Capt. Wm. Brouder York, commander of Br. barque Atlebarron, of Liverpool, containing all the proceedings, testimony, &c., with an appendix. This is a plain narrative of a case which has created great interest in our community. The author, we believe, is connected with the Editorial profession.

A LATE HOUR.—We never remember to have heard of a late as hour as we did on Sunday last. When the town clock should have struck eleven the ponderous hammer pronounced the hour of sixty-eight, and at 12 o'clock it informed our stricken citizens that it was just one hundred and thirty-one o'clock. A rather late hour we should think.—*Mobile Herald.*

EXTRA SESSION.—The Washington *Union* gives this official contradiction to the rumor of an extra session:

Some of the newspaper and letter writers in Washington have alluded to an extra session of Congress.—It has been said, that this proposition was discussed in the cabinet one day last week. (Monday we believe.) As such announcements are only calculated to produce an undue impression on the public mind, and to display a degree of excitement on the part of the subject, which does not exist, we deem it best, at once, to contradict the rumor.

FORTUNATE RESCUE.—A Mr. Richards, belonging to West Haven, was picked up in the Sound on Friday, in perilous circumstances. He had left home in a small skiff, which had been upset by the wind, and when found was upon the bottom of her craft, off Savin Rock, without oars, and completely bilged, the wind and waves had be drifting out into the Sound. Every wave dashed completely over the boat. Three men from the shore had seen an attempt to rescue the unfortunate man, but failed, and their efforts unavailing, took his oars and left him to his fate. The attempt of the vessel discovering his condition, put in shoot, unbarned, and beat for him, and succeeded in getting him on board, ere his boat could be taken up he had been about two hours in that condition, and but for this timely assistance would almost inevitably have been lost.—*New Haven (Conn.) Courier.*

GREAT FIRE IN PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

By an extra from the Portsmouth *Mercury*, we have received intelligence of a disastrous conflagration which occurred in that town on the morning of the 4th inst., and destroyed no less than $120,000 worth of property. The following is the account of this calamity:—

Portsmouth, N. H. May 4.

It becomes our painful duty to record the most serious and and calamity that has befallen our town since 1813. About half-past 12 o'clock this morning, a small wooden building in the rear of the Bank store of Daniel Knight & Co., west side of Market street, was discovered to be on fire. The wind was blowing fresh from the west, and as at the time no fire engine communicated to the adjacent, and spread with fearful rapidity, in three directions, consuming several large and valuable brick blocks, together with a number of adjoining dwelling houses and outbuildings, in the most central and business part of the town.

On Market street all is laid in ashes on the west side, from the Bank store of Daniel Knight & Co. to the house so called, both inclusive, except the store occupied by S. J. Dodge, grocer, on the corner of Hanover street. On the south side, from the store of Daniel Knight & Co. adjoining that of Wm. Jones & Son, to the corner of Pendleton street. On Pendleton street, the brick block occupied by Concoder Derby and J. G. Rand, the wooden dwelling house occupied by Miller & Co. on Hanover street and all the buildings in the rear, to, but not including, those on Ladd street. The following is a rough estimate of the extent of the damage, for which we are indebted to Joseph M. Edmonds, Esq. We have not time to ascertain further particulars. Most of goods have been removed, and we are confident that the loss cannot be less than what we have stated it above.

Three story dwelling house on Market street, occupied by Mrs. Lord.

Brick block, Market street, owned by Benjamin Cheever, and David Kimball, and occupied by Benjamin Cheever, and occupied by H. M. Clark, provision and grocery store, and George W. Greenoe, furniture warehouse.

A part of brick block, Market street, belonging to John Hayes and occupied by John P. Lyman, iron store, and J. M. Mathes, grocery store.

Brick block, Market street, occupied by Dani. Knight & Co., hat store, and Hill & Carr, shoe store.

Brick block, Market street, owned by Nehemiah Moses and occupied by Nehemiah Moses and Charles W. Clark, as clothing warehouse.

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Brick block, Market street, occupied by Bittredge Sheldon, provision store, O. E. Myers, clothing warehouse; Stephen Walker, clothing warehouse; N. K. Walker, hat store; Francis Dupray, confectioner; F. G. Folsom, grocery store, and in Pendleton street, store occupied by J. G. Rand.

Brick store in Market street, owned by William Rice, and occupied by Stanton & Co., grocery store.

McIntyre brick buildings, Market street, occupied by Samuel P. Wiggin, provision store; Denis Bruce, paint shop; J. Holmes, J. W. Ferrald, John Finder, and Mr. Johnson, dwelling houses.

In Hanover street, a two story wooden dwelling house, occupied by Capt. Edward Kennard and Mrs. Place; a two story dwelling house occupied by Hall Varrell; a two story wooden dwelling house owned by Robert Gray, and occupied by John Sedborne and Wm. Johnson; a two story wooden dwelling house owned by Marsh Estate, and occupied by Samuel P. Wiggin.

Right on Market street the progress of the flames was arrested. It was impossible to determine where they would be arrested, and a train of cars were despatched to Newburyport for a steam engine, which brought there four engines with their engines and apparatus, but fortunately the fire was so far got under before they arrived as to leave them but little to do. They have the sincere thanks of the people of this place, and deservedly so, we will. Great credit is due our fire department generally and also, and especially to the company of U. S. troops from Fort Constitution, who were on the spot with their engine, and rendered very essential service.

Council of Municipality No. 3.

SITTING OF MONDAY, MAY 12, 1845.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—The Honorable G W Lewis, President of the Council; Messrs Bailly, Charbonnet, Boylan, Lewis, Wills, Wiltz, Brown and Audier.

On motion, the reading of the proceedings of the last Council was dispensed with.

The Surveyor's report of the work done during the last week was received and deposited in the archives of the Council.

Call of Committees.

Mr Wiltz, in behalf of the Finance Committee, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The Finance Committee beg leave to report that, on the 8th instant, they carefully counted and burnt the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars of the notes of the municipality, as per following statement:

Somnambula	do	$ 410 00
Emission of 11th January, 1840,		1,350 00
Do	23d April, 1840,	836 00
Do	10th Sept'r, 1840,	7,638 00
Do	18th January, 1841,	3,293 00
Do	20th January, 1842,	473 00
		$14,000 00

P S WILTZ,
FRANCOIS L. CRAIS,
D NAUDO.

Mr. Nadaud offered the following preamble and resolutions, which, on motion and after dispensation of the rules, were adopted:

Whereas, the financial situation of this Municipality demands on the part of the Council, a serious and continued attention, and requires imperiously the strictest economy, and that it is just that the corporation should meet its engagements towards the holders of the bonds issued in exchange of their small circulation; and,

Whereas, this Council have unlimited confidence in the probity of its officers, and that they feel disposed to second the efforts of the Council, (although temporarily suffering in a pecuniary way) in their endeavors to reestablish the credit of the Municipality, and to see her prosper:

Be it therefore Resolved, That from and after the 1st of June proximo, the salaries of the different officers shall be reduced ten per cent. of the notes of the Municipality shall be worth 90 cents on the dollar, the Council reserving the right of making another reduction of ten per cent.

The salaries of the officers, therefore, will from the 1st of June, 1845, be as follows:

Recorder, per annum, payable monthly,	$1620 00
Treasurer,	1620 00
Treasurer's Clerk,	540 00
Secretary of the Council and of the Recorder, (1200)	1200 00
Surveyor's,	810 00
Wharfinger,	540 00
Captain of the Guard,	900 00
First Lieutenant,	540 00
Second Lieutenant,	1458 00
Three Sergeants, at $365 each per month,	3456 00
Thy Police, 8 men at $36 each per month,	10,080 00
Night Watch, 25 men at $36 each per month,	1080 00
Two Police Commissioners at $540 each,	450 00
Consulting Architect,	135 00
Physician of the Jail and Workhouse,	720 00
Chief Warden of the Workhouse,	630 00
Book Keeper of the Workhouse,	1080 00
Second Warden of the Workhouse,	540 00
Two under Wardens at $540 each,	270 00
Printer,	540 00
Bundle of the Fourth Ward,	
Commissary of the Port Market,	