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Entertainments This Evening.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—Engagement of Mr. Emmett: "Fritz, our Cousin German."

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Gounod's opera of "Faust."

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Engagement of Miss Kate Reignolds.

CRESCENT CITY MUSEUM.—Nos. 49 and 42 St. Charles street, opposite St. Charles Hotel.

THE LOUISIANA DENOUNCES THE PRESS CONVENTION.

The Louisiana *Democrat*, published at Alexandria, contains, in its last number, an article touching the late Press Convention in this city, which betrays not only a ridiculous presumption but also a lamentable ignorance. The writer makes, what he no doubt thinks is a terrific onslaught against the New Orleans press, and one from which he perhaps imagined they could not recover. If so, he will be surprised to learn that they can afford to receive a repetition of such blows, as often as he may fail to be agreeable to deal them. The tone in which he speaks of the press of this city has amused our cotemporaries as it has ourselves. His wrath it seems to us had very little provocation, and we think if he had waited a day or two to ascertain what action the Convention had really taken, he might and probably would have withheld the assaultexpressions in which he has been pleased to indulge. The *Democrat* attributes to the city press an arrogance towards their country cotemporaries, of which we are sure the former are incapable. At all events we can speak for ourselves, and truly aver that we have always entertained and expressed the utmost respect for our brethren of the interior papers. If we have ever acted on the principle as the *Democrat* charges "that a country paper had no business with the politics of the day," we are entirely ignorant of the occasions upon which this principle was manifested. Certainly the *Bee* has not suggested or monopolising the privilege of dispensing political wisdom, nor has it ever asserted its "superiority" to its cotemporaries either of the city or of the country. Neither has the *Bee* called for "help" from its colleagues of the country, as the *Democrat* alleges, and the "diminutives" of which the *Democrat* speaks are phantoms of its own imagination. Our Alexandria confrere must have been dreaming. We hope to assure him that "the call" for the Convention, which was drawn up in this office, had no "sinister object" as he seems to think. It had no other object than the bringing together of the conductors of all the newspapers of the State, opposed to Radical rule, for the purpose of interchanging opinions upon the questions of the day and adopting a uniform policy in the approaching political campaign. Those who originated the call had no thought of proposing the formation of a new political party, although this idea would be developed even in New Orleans. The proposition was sprung upon the Convention by a country editor, but did not meet with sufficient favor to be accepted, and the *Democrat* may rest a little easier when we inform him that the convention of the Conservative press was first suggested to the conductors of the city journals by another country editor, who is a prominent member of the Democratic State Central Executive Committee. This suggestion was approved by the conductors of the city press who are now charged with sinister motives" in inviting their country brethren to meet with them. The reports of the various committees of the Convention, and the resolutions adopted by that body, must have reached the *Democrat* ere this time, and satisfied it of the erroneousness of its suspicions. As to the call having being "utterly ignored by the large majority of the country papers," the *Democrat* is not so mistaken there as he is in his other reckless assertions. Previous to the assembling of the Convention, not a single paper of the State, so far as we know, and we saw the most of them, but expressed its approval of the meeting. If the *Democrat* did not, we overlooked its comments. Certainly upwards of twenty papers approved the call, and twenty-four papers were represented in the Convention. Undoubtedly some influential country papers were not represented, among them the *Democrat*, and this we regretted. If they had been present, the defeat of the advocates of a third party, which was barely effected, would have been turned into a decisive victory, and then we should have had the benefit of the counsels of our ablest country associates touching the other subjects considered. To another pointed assertion of the *Democrat* we give a positive denial. It says: "The New Orleans press is run in the interest of the rings that have ever been hostile to the success of the Democratic party and of Democratic principles." So far as the *Bee* is concerned, there is not the slightest foundation for this statement. Since the war closed, this journal has been devoted to the maintenance of Democratic principles, and has never for a moment swerved therefrom. It is not run in the interest of any "ring," but is quite independent of all rings and all parties, and is free to advocate that policy, which it may judge to be the best for the interests of the people of Louisiana.

We do not consider the Press Convention to have been an "abortion" by any means, but on the contrary that it was a complete success so far as those objects are concerned, which its originators had in view.

We acknowledge receipt of an invitation by the Hands of Mr. Francis Scallin, Chairman of Committee of Arrangements, to participate in the celebration of the 61st anniversary of the Hibernian Benevolent Mutual Aid Association of Louisiana. The Reverend Father Flynn will deliver the address and a panegyric on the life of St. Patrick Thursday, March 17th is the day of the celebration, and the St. Charles Theatre, at 2½ P. M., is the place and the hour of assemblage.

HON. W. P. KELLOGG, Senator in Congress from Louisiana and Hon. Lot. M. Morrill, Representative elect to Congress from Louisiana, have our thanks for public documents.

PHOTOGRAPHS.—Mr. W. W. Washburn invites the attention of our readers, through our advertising columns to-day, to his photograph and fine art gallery, at 113 Canal street, where everything in his line is done at the highest style of the art. Mr. Washburn is one of our oldest and best photographers, and his gallery is consequently one of the best known. His pictures are greatly admired. w&sat

THE NEW ORLEANS CUSTOM-HOUSE.—In the proceedings of the Senate of the United States on the 7th inst., published in the Washington *Globe*, we find the following resolution introduced by Senator Kellogg:

NEW ORLEANS CUSTOM-HOUSE.

Mr. Kellogg, submitted the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to the Senate the present condition of the custom-house at New Orleans, the amount of frauds exposed upon it; what Federal or other officers are here therein; the amount of room occupied and unoccupied; the probable amount requisite to complete the same according to the original plan, and also what amount is necessary to be immediately appropriated to put the roof and the rooms now occupied in suitable condition.

FREE FROM DIRT.—Is there any hair coloring preparation, on either here or in Europe, that is free from "PHALON'S VITALIA, OR SALVATION ON THE HAIR?" Not one. It is a clear fluid that flows from the bottle; does not stain the skin, and produces none but natural shades of color. It has no sediment. Sold by all druggists, and fancy goods dealers.

ALL SORTS AND CONDITIONS.—An old negro woman down in Missouri was listening to a defender of the Radical politicians in Georgia, and, after a speech of the latter, who was forced to admit that "most of the carpet-baggers, as you call them, are poor, ragged, and dirty," the old woman said: "Well, my honey, I'm glad to hear dat, for I has allers 'spected dat dem kind of folks was de poorest, lowest, meanest, dirtiest, and most ornery white trash in de country, and I'm mighty glad to hear dat dey has come up to dat standard at last." "But, my dear woman," said the orator, "you seem to forget that they are educated men, and have no vices." "Dat's nothin' to me, honey," said the old lady, "I has allers 'spected dat dey