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Sales at Auction This Day.

By D. E. Morphy, at 10 o'clock, on the Levee between O and Gand St. Louis streets, anchors and chains.

By C. A. Bisso, at 12 o'clock, at Planter's Cotton Prerogation.

STEAMERS FROM NEW YORK.—The Locust Point and Columbia were to leave for New Orleans on the 4th inst., and the Matanzas on the 5th inst., all direct.

D. E. Morphy, auctioneer, sells this day, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the Levee, between Conti and St. Louis streets, a lot of anchors and chains. See advertisement.

CHEWING AND SMOKING TOBACCO.—A large assortment of chewing tobacco, comprising the most approved brands, and every variety and quality to suit all tastes and fancies, is in store and for sale at the lowest prices by the Messrs. Meyer Bros., 51 Tchoupitoulas street, between Fulgures and Natchez. The same house has for sale on similar terms a lot of smoking tobacco of select desirable descriptions. See advertisement.

EDINBURGH REVIEW FOR APRIL.—For a copy of this oldest of the British Reviews for April, we are indebted to the well known publishing house of Leonard Scott & Co., New York. The contents of the present number are various and entertaining, and are distributed under the following titles: Diaries of a Lady of Quality; History of Highways; The Basque Country; Human Sacrifices and Infanticide in India; Charles Victor de Bonstetten; British North America; Rifled Ordinance in England and France; Kirk's Charles the Bold; Renan's Life of Jesus. This and the other British Reviews, as announced by the publishers, are for sale at the bookstore of Geo. Ellis, Old Levee street, opposite the Post Office.

☞ The steamship Creole, John A. Thompson commander, will leave her wharf this morning at 8 o'clock, for New York direct with a full freight and the following passengers:

Mrs. Wesley and child and servant; A. Stott, wife and child; Mrs. Myers, Miss Pauline Myers, Miss Minnie Myers, Mrs. Pauline Myers, Miss Minnie Myers, Mr. Pauline Myers, Mr. Myers, Mr. Myers and lady, Mr. Myers and lady, A. Cesser lady and three children, W. A. Weaver, Miss M. Weaver, H. W. Cannon and lady, E. Richmond and lady, Miss Jane Nelson, J. F. Hall and lady 3 children and nurse, Mrs. Gray, 2—17 in the steerage.

Reported Opening of the River Blockade—Rumored Blowing up of the Naval Depot at Cairo.

[From our evening's Era.]

The steamer Lancaster No. 4 arrived from Vicksburg this morning, and brings as passengers Major General W. H. Sloeum, Commander of the District of Vicksburg, and staff.

Her trip was reported to be blockade of the Mississippi river broken up by the forces under command of Gen. A. J. Smith, but we could obtain no particulars.

Regular Western boats had reached Vicksburg at the time the Lancaster left, but no news had been received there from Cairo. The citizens of Vicksburg by the time the Lancaster left had obtained arms, and assumed a large quantity of powder, an ominous sound, which we hope may be devoted to use. We think there must be a mistake in regard to the report, for the Cairo papers, a week or two since, announced the removal of the Naval Depot to Mound City.

By the arrival we learn from several officers of the Navy by way of the river.

ADDITIONAL.

Gen. Smith left Vicksburg for the purpose of chastising the rebels at Clinton, on Saturday last. The forces were embarked on thirteen transports. It is understood that Gen. Lee's command is to follow down.

From Berwick City and the Coast.

A private letter from a friend, dated Brashear June 7, contains some items of information, which we give our readers.

Brashear City, opposite Berwick, was partially destroyed by fire a week or two ago. All the store property was burned. No one seems to know what was the origin of the fire.

The rebels have now hundreds on the west bank of the Teche, and they frequently come down to within a few miles of Berwick, but the country has so long been depredated upon by them that little injury can now be accomplished. They annoy the Union pickets occasionally, but in few or no serious attempts which they have made to gobble some of "the boys" they have invariably been repulsed.

Brashear is now in a condition to repulse any attack that the enemy will be likely to make upon it. It is magnificently fortified, and additions are constantly being made to the works. Three gunboats are lying off there at anchor, each of which carries a very respectable battery, and every day one of them steams up the Teche to do picket duty.—*N O Era.*

The New York Meeting in Favor of General Grant.

The New York *Tribune* says: The following call is in circulation in our city, and is, we believe, very extensively signed by loyal citizens of all creeds and nationalities:

A NATION'S GRATITUDE TO GRANT.

The loyal citizens of the United States, without distinction of party, are invited to assemble at Union Square, on Saturday, June 11, at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of tendering a grateful acknowledgment for services on many a battle field, for glorious victories achieved, and for protecting grant, under Providence, to the life of the Nation, by Lieutenant-General U. S. Grant.

May 20, 1864.

We have hesitated to say Amen to this call, simply because we feared it an appearance of premature exultation. Gen. Grant is now in the midst of a series of Military operations of the very gravest importance, from which we hope much, but of which the issue is not yet beyond doubt. "Let not him that putteth on the harness boast as he that taketh it off." But General Grant has already done much for his country, and it is well, that we waive all scruples, and invite all to come together and, whatever the future may have in store, give expression to a Nation's gratitude for what he has done. The past at least is secure. Hereafter, then, and blessings on the head of Lieut. Gen. Grant!

Regarding the same occasion the New York *Herald* remarks:

Since even the radical *Tribune* has been forced to relinquish its recent attacks upon Grant, and to join in the call for the meeting in his honor on Saturday next, we have every reason to suppose that this great gathering will include men of all parties and factions. General Grant is a man of the people. He has labored so gloriously and triumphantly for the sake of the whole country, not to advance the private interests of any particular political clique. Talk to him of politics, and he is deaf, or uniformly endeavors to turn the conversation upon tanning. Ask him what office he desires, and he replies that he wants to be Mayor of Galena, in order to repair the wooden sidewalks of that little Western city. This is the man around whom the masses may rally, forgetting party politics or politicians as of no use. This is the man of whom it may be truly said that the President seeks him, instead of his seeking the Presidency.

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No sensible person can expose him either to doubts or secret motives he has been asked. A modest man is like a coy maiden in this respect; but we politicians are the old Harts, and take advantages of the fact that the Presidential can vass always comes in leap year to rush about and propose themselves to everybody. Gen. Grant's rule of life is to do his duty, and we believe it is his duty to accept the next Presidency, if it be offered him, regardless of all its personal wishes and prejudices, because the nation needs him in the highest office. Let the Union square meeting proclaim him, and we shall soon see the result.

GEN COTTON.—We are informed that propositions for the purchase of the right to use the patent improved gun cotton of Rion Lesh, have been before the United States Government for more than six months. The high reliance in this explosive material, which has brought forward to some of the papers at capacity news, is an old story. The gun cotton has been tested (and is probably now undergoing test) in the U. S Ordnance Department but the opinion of the experimenters does not yet seem public. The patent right for Europe and America is owned by a London capitalist, who expects to make no inconsiderable fortune out of it. Should the improved gun cotton be all that is claimed, still it will not necessarily supersede powder for use in small arms. It may possibly be adopted into the artillery service, and for mining and engineering operations, for which it has a peculiar fitness.

From the New York Evening Post, June 11.

The Powers of Defence

What a determined command can do in defending a well constructed and carefully prepared fortification against long-continued and vigorous attacks is well shown by a recent communication to the London *Index*, giving an account of the shots which were fired against Fort Sumter in the months of April, August, September, October, November and December, 1863, and January and February, 1864.

It appears from the tables submitted by this writer, that in those eight months twenty-seven different kinds of missiles were fired at the fort, ten from smooth bored and seven from rifled guns, 27,447 shots were fired from our batteries, of which 20,256 hit the fort. Of the same total, the Monitors delivered 1462, the mortars 7167, the land guns by day 14,395, and by night 4402. The estimated weight of the iron used in these shot was 3,627,200 pounds, or a little more than 1619 tons. It is asserted that only seventeen men were killed outright by our fire, eleven others are returned as killed by the explosion of a magazine, and thirteen by the falling of the wall of the garrison barracks, caused by the bombardment. The writer of the returns estimates, therefore, that thirty guns and a half tons of iron were hurled at the fort for every man killed, and carrying his ingenuity a little farther, he tells us that if a ball fired would, if turned into railroad iron, have sufficed to lay a single track for twenty and a quarter miles.

Amongst the missiles used by Gen. Gillmore the Charleston writer notes ten, eleven, thirteen and fifteen inch round shot shell, and rifle bolts of various shapes, ten, ten and-a-half, twelve, sixteen, eighteen, twenty and twenty-three inches in length, and from four and-a-half to five, six, eight and ten inches in diameter. One missile is called a "Mormon," and was an immense hollow shot filled with small shells. Others are denominated Cumberland, Dahlgren, twenty-four pounder, Morton, Parrott, Wiard, Whitworth and Sheikl

Of the 1,449 shots fired by the Monitors only 104 missed the fort, and 1,270 hit. Of the 14,295 missiles from land guns by day, 4192 are supposed to have missed, while of 4402 shots from land guns fired at night, 1,470 (nearly a third) are reported to have flown wide of the mark. If this is correct, it is probably accounted for, by the fact that changes in the direction of the wind could not be allowed for at night.

The accuracy of the different bombardments, which is added to the tabular reports from which we have taken the above figures, seems to run from "gradually chipped off block after block of the wall, after silencing the parapet guns of the fort; and the *debris* falling upon the *berme* (the space between the parapet and the ditch) formed a defence through which no shot could penetrate." Large quantities of sand were securely backed in the casemates, the gorge being first built up. In the bombardment of the 20th of October and subsequent days, the heaviest of all, according to the writer, "the fire was such, seven feet wide by the thick of solid masonry, was demolished by one stroke from a three hundred pounder bolt." It was a Parrott shell, he relates, which, striking on the arches of the garrison barracks, broke them down and buried thirteen men in the ruins.

It is evident that a fort as strongly built as was Fort Sumter can be almost entirely destroyed by the guns now in use, at the safe range the rifles will still be capable of holding it reasonable security a garrison sufficient, if watchful and determined, to repel any assault that in open boats, as the attempt by day the ironclads. If the Monitors had been able also to accompany the party, and by their fire to close the sally ports to keep back the garrison from the ramparts, the result might have been different. It is evident that to indirect to work artillery and perform any communications with the fort, while the interior of the fort could be rapidly reinforced, or changed garrisons effected, was more difficult than on shore in ordinary warfare. Having in mind these circumstances we make this article from the data available to us. It is evident that much valuable material for their defence, which was in hand, was improperly brought into action, and that, if the garrison had worked daily materials for their defence, which were in readiness, they might have made it such a fearful task for the enemy to capture it, that they would have lost heart in their impious work and their strength would have been spent ere Sumter could be added to the list of the fortresses which have fallen before the arms of the Republic.

During the present war our generals have made total or several occasions of a mistake which we have already fallen into. At Donelson, Richmond from its seaside, without even throwing up the commonest defences with the spade and axe, was occupied and Harper's and Corinth in the same way, and after months of siege and assault, property and men worth the enemy's keeping. Grant and Porter laid Vicksburg in front in vain, while the garrison had their communications open the place made its defence good. When Grant passed it, it fell. So Gillmore "assigned Charleston in the rear to no purpose, except to show what obstacles soldiers, led by a skilful engineer, can overcome. The reason why we hold while Charleston or Richmond keeps open its communications, we who a lack it in fort have to resist and with the whole power and resources of the enemy; the contest is unequal. But once cut off those communications, and the advantage is as much on the other side. Those would appear to be self-evident truths; yet they seem to have escaped McClellan entirely, and to have been counsel of little importance by some of his successors

Emigration from Ireland.

(From the Liverpool Post of May 18.)

The ceaseless flow of emigration from this country is scarcely more important than the direction of the current. The mass of the emigrants are bound not to the British colonies, but to the United States. Were the City of Glasgow arrived off Queenstown on Thursday the passengers were put on board, making her entire number about 700, while no less than 300 persons were left behind, who had procured passage tickets. The Cork *Reporter* states the rush for passages to have been so great that per some days to be booked on Thursday would not be entered for any time before the 25th of June next, with a probability of being obliged to wait still longer. There are over 2000 persons already entered for steerage in the Inman company's boats, and before one of the number can be sent there will be a vast increase by other entries made in Liverpool and Queenstown, and by the receipt of advance funds from America. "When it is considered," says the *Reporter*, "that this company despatches three boats every fortnight, and that the Cunard company's boats depart weekly, and that the emigration continued during the whole of the past winter, although the severity of the season and the unusual weather, some notion may be formed of the magnitude of that tide which is ceaselessly rolling from our shores."

One day last week 70 persons from Tralee and Killarney took their departure for New York. Next day the number was between 300 and 300, of whom 40 had their passage paid by Lord Castlerosse. All of whom had been the occupants of small farms, and they are described as "well-to-do people." Another entry. This movement may be said to be universal, though prevailing more in some districts than in others. The political effect of it is that the Queen loses as immense number of Irish subjects, who become citizens or a foreign state, and while the present generation lasts they will be enemies to British power. Another effect, not less certain, is the rapid change of religious convictions by sight upon the minds of the Roman Catholic emigrants. More Ultramontanism has been pushed on for that shores authority and less the whole dominion of civil affairs, and the laity are being literally buried in the abandonment of the 20th of October and subsequent days. The heaviest of all, according to the writer, "the fire was such, seven feet wide by the thick of solid masonry, was demolished by one stroke from a three hundred pounder bolt." It was a Parrot shell, he relates, which, striking on the arches of the garrison barracks, broke them down and buried thirteen men in the ruins.

Transfer of American Ships to British Owners.

In the debate in Parliament on the 13th ult., regarding the depredations of the Georgia and other vessels of like character and origin, Mr Cobden said:

He regarded the rapid transferring of American shipping to British owners "the gravest part of the question of English relations with the United States. He did not care what newspapers or speakers might say on either side of the water, and would set off one against the other. What he feared was in the relations between two peoples of the same race, the keeping up of a gigantic material grievance such as we are now rearing up by these transactions.

We had done the worst we could with the American mercantile marine, and had rendered it almost valueless. If we had bombarded all the American cities he doubted whether the destruction of property would have been greater. More lives certainly might have been sacrificed, but in either respects greater injury could not have been done. This was a very grave question for the future."

Mr. Cobden cited official statistics to illustrate these assertions.

Some accounts had been laid before the House affording very important information respecting the number and tonnage of United States vessels transferred to United Kingdom and ports in British North America, from 1858 to 1863, inclusive. The number of vessels transferred to English registration was in

1858	33	Tonnage	12,681
1859	49	"	21,858
1860	41	"	18,638
1861	126	"	61,767
1862	155	"	81,078
1863	318	"	222,357

The Russian Officers, who, last summer were charged with the duty of examining the American iron-clads, have communicated to their government a full report, and the official organ of the ministry publishes several articles in which the subject is treated at much length. From estimate of the system may be inferred from the following extract:

Monitors, like all other specimens of ship building at the present time, have their defects: they are not easily managed, they are ill-armed for passages of long duration, and they are nearly useless for fight against fortresses, yet with Europe with his military movements, the French Academy of Science directed its attention to the fact that a storm of rain or snow invariably followed a battle, and for a time faith in the truth of the stated rule now reasserted.

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The petition of the undersigned shipowners of Liverpool, showeth

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That the immediate effect of placing at the disposal of that foreign belligerent a very small number of steam cruisers has been to paralyse the mercantile marine of a powerful maritime and naval nation, inflicting within a few months losses direct and indirect on its shipowning and mercantile interests which years of peace may prove inadequate to retrieve.

That your petitioners cannot shut their eyes to the probability that in any future war between England and a Foreign Power, however insignificant in naval strength, the example now set by subjects of Her Majesty will be followed and is neutral may be followed by citizens of other countries, neutral when England is belligerent.

That the effect of future war with any Power thus enabled to purchase, prepare and call vessels of war in neutral ports, will inevitably be to transfer to the neutral flags that portion of the sea-carrying trade of the world which is now enjoyed by your petitioners, and other British shipowners.

That over and above the chances of pecuniary loss to themselves, your petitioners share in the regret with which a law-respecting community must naturally look on successful attempts to evade the provisions of an act of Parliament passed for a single and simple purpose, but which has been believed not to give the Executive all the powers needed for its effective execution.

That the experience of late events has proved to the conviction of your petitioners that the possession by a belligerent of a swift steam cruisers, under no necessity, actual or contemplated, to visit the possibly blockaded home ports of that belligerent, but able to obtain all requisite supplies from neutrals, will become a weapon of offence against which no preponderance of naval strength can effectually guard, and the severity of which will be felt in the ratio of the shipping and mercantile wealth of the nation against whose mercantile marine the efforts of those steam cruisers may be directed.

That if the existing law be found insufficient for the purpose, your petitioners would respectfully urge upon your honorable house the expediency of sanctioning the introduction of such amendments in the Foreign Enlistment Act as may have the effect of giving greater power to the Executive to prevent the insertion on the British ports of ships designed for the use of belligerents; and your petitioners would further suggest to your honorable House that the Government of the United States of America and of other foreign countries to the adoption of similar regulations in those countries also.

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Karl Paul who kept a coffeehouse and restaurant on the corner of Gravier and Dryades streets was up on the same charge as invented by the preceding. The evidence was, that the soldier who had obtained liquor from a negro behind the bar of accused had been sent in by a detective who made the arrest and that for selling liquor he was not licensed and as the explanations of the builders were not thought clear enough the Justice Zatico was sentenced to a fine of $50 or 30 days imprisonment. Soon afterward it was ascertained that they were intended for Sweden, but as the exactitude of that declaration was not sufficient for remittance to the Government gave orders, only ten days ago, that the ships would not leave France till their destination was clearly established. Such, gentlemen, has been the plain and unequivocal conduct of the Government in this particular case."

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(From the London Shipping Gazette.)

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Liverpool May 12, 1864."

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