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The source pursued by the Mercantile upon the question is probably suggested by certain directors living in the upper faubourg, who expects to enjoy great facilities in raising funds, by having a city bank placed in a dark corner at those doors.

The stockholders residing in the city proper demand that the energetic measures that the bold attempt demands. Let them devise all the necessary measures to prevent their interests and privileges from being so singularly invaded.

At a time when the building now existing on the Lower, and other important questions under the immediate jurisdiction of the city council, are drawing a large share of public attention, it seems that the community have a right to expect that each member will, on light and trivial grounds, avoid the responsibilities and duties of his office, or, peradventure, by an unexpired absence, the useful and necessary discharge of his own duties as well as those of his colleagues. These obligations, however, are not generally acknowledged, and if they are, the delinquent is still more reprehensible.

On Wednesday last, the message of the Mayor, contrary to its usual tenor, was very interesting; the matter was very important, (no one of the members assures us,) and entitled to an immediate consideration by its merits; however, nothing was done.

A quorum would have been found, and the important business treated of, would have been transacted, but Mr. Moore being well aware of all this, determined to prevent any thing being done, and therefore did not think proper to honor the council with his august and important appearance, knowing that it was by the resignation of two of its members, Mr. M. Moore's situation, as president of the city council, an office of public utility, or in some nominal office where the incumbents has the liberty of appearing or not appearing as it suits his view. If it be out of utility, shall not appear when he has no reasonable cause to resign for his pleasure? Has Mr. Moore any?

What were his engagements that that particular day, that he could not attend to his public duties? Was he occupied with his new horses, or any other gentlemanly amusement? If so, they may be of more importance to him than his public duties. We trust that the public will have their eyes open to the next election, and not elect as Recorder any person who knows not the duties of his office, and whose soul for the public welfare will not supersede the employments of horse-racing and cock-fighting in the exclusion of his official duties.

A singular undertaking is in contemplation by the French government—the formation of a grand line of iron railways from Paris to Rouen, Havre, Lyons and Marseille. The government have, with this intent, already, demanded a vote of 30,000 pounds for the preliminary works. This is part of a vote of four millions sterling payable for the completion of public works and monuments, and military roads in the Vendee. Amongst these are the digging of the canal du L'Orne, 118,000 pounds; the church of the Magdalene, 118,000 pounds; the Posthouse, 60,000 pounds; the Museum of the Arts, 50,000 pounds; new buildings for the Grand Seminary, 240,000 pounds; Royal-School of the Fine Arts, 300,000 pounds; Cadet-school, 30,000 pounds; Hotel and Davis Asylum, 8,000 pounds.

James F. Moore's "friend"—The talk of our government, July 2d, indicates, in a letter to Carrington, being the opinion of the people the very first object should be to have Moore sent, and when it left, to give an appearance of re-

stitution to the Mayor. Mr. Wade, from Worcester, who appears to be a man of a decided and energetic character, and thus comes to the meeting a champion of the cause. What would you think of a meeting here composed of twenty of the most notorious drunkards of the town, not worth one cent, and supported by desperadoes on the part, and at which a person like Mr. Wade from some place one hundred miles off was called to preside—such a meeting as (except that it would be more numerous in proportion to the population here, than the meeting alluded to, to that of London) could be no impudent representation of the London Anti-slavery Union. If the gentleman be called to preside—Whipple, they not big in Worcester? Because it would expose them to ridicule or the possibility. But this gentleman beggar gives all his receipts to benevolent societies. Who knows that? He may give something to benevolent societies, who we know that he gives off, or even title of "whipple's benefactor." And especially when he has nothing, not even a cent to lose. Long may New Orleans be preserved from such a pest, as such a Pennsylvania I have determined. But if it be not the people of New Orleans, who are to blame, then the English people, any more than what might be uttered at such a meeting here would be the sentiments of the inhabitants of New Orleans. The existence of such societies may be necessary as showing us liberty, becomes when it degenerates into baseness. May their liberty, which no one deserves more than I, never be polluted by such stains—many their peace never disturbed by such meetings!—and may their meetings never be disgraced by such a chairman!

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On my return to the city of New Orleans, I was very absent, it was with equal care and indignation that I observed in the "Philadelphia Gazette," an unmanly and scurrilous attack upon Judge Harper, which I have been repudiated in one of the newspapers of that city. In the absence of Judge Harper I shall take the liberty of making some remarks in relation to that publication. The observations and accusations made therein, reflecting the ability of the Judges are equally false and malicious, as will be acknowledged by all who are acquainted with the law and its administration. And, having said this, I will not say more of that part of the subject. If the estuary had consisted solely of that charge, I should not have deigned to answer it. But the object of the publication is, to persuade the people of the western district that Judge Harper has been defrauded in his duty towards them, in not having held a court regularly every year since his appointment. 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