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AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

E. de Feriet sells real estate, at 12 o'clock, m., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street.

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THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY NAVIGATION COMPANY.—The friends of the "Mississippi Valley Navigation Company" will be pleased to learn that a meeting will take place at No. 30 Carondelet street, ground floor, at 7 o'clock this evening, for the purpose of completing its organization. We hope to see the different commercial interests of our city fully represented.

RICE MILLS.—Under this caption the reader will find, in another column, the advertisement of the old and well-known firm of Leeds & Co., who offer to the public McKinley's approved Rice Thresher, now in use. They have secured the services of Mr. McKinley, the inventor, who has had an experience of thirty years in the construction, erection and management of rice machinery, which enables them to construct all kinds of machinery required in the preparation of rice for the market. Call and examine drawings, specifications and models.

We had the pleasure of a call last night from a talented young friend, Frank E. McManus, Esq., so long connected with our office before the war, and who since its close has been engaged in the practice of law in Brownsville, Texas, where he was chosen District Attorney. We are pleased to find him in excellent health and spirits. He is stopping at the City Hotel, and will remain in the city a short while.

We are indebted to the politeness of Mr. A. Simon, newspaper and magazine dealer, 85 Bourbon street, for a copy of the "American Naturalist," for December, a popular illustrated magazine of Natural History, issued by the Essex Institute of Salem, Mass.

Mr. Simon has for sale all the periodical literature of the day.

THE NEW ORLEANS SUNDAY MERCURY.—This is the name of a new weekly paper, the first number of which is to be issued next Sunday, under the proprietorship of Messrs. Simon & Co., printers of Commercial Place, and the editorship of that experienced and competent journalist, Mr. George McKnight, otherwise, and better known perhaps, away from home, as the genial and humorous "Asa Harts." The *Mercury*, we understand, is to be independent and conservative in politics, opposing in the former earnest the radical, levelling policy of the Republican party, now in the ascendent. Its principal feature, however, we believe, is to be literary, although all departments of journalism will be brought under contribution, for the instruction and enjoyment of its readers. The *Mercury* is to be an eight page, thirty-two column journal, in the style of that excellent weekly of Baltimore, *Southern Society*.

We welcome this new candidate for public support, and doubt not, under the able conduct of Major McKnight, a prosperous career is before it.

AMUSEMENTS.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Lester Wallack's popular and beautiful play, "Rosedale," is to be repeated at the Varieties this evening and to-morrow night. Messrs. Lawler, Floyd, Mac-Donough, Fisher and Hogan, and Mrs. Hull, Mrs. Carr, and Miss Placide are among the leading artists in the cast. We have previously spoken in favorable terms to this piece, which is well presented.

Monday evening, the great tragedian, Edwin Booth, will make his first appearance. We presume it will be necessary to secure seats early to see him.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—The fact that Lotta makes her last appearance at the St. Charles this evening, will doubtless attract her legion of admirers in this city to the stand and pay her a parting testimonial by their presence. She appears in the thrilling drama of the "Famale Detective, in which she sustains five distinct characters, and in the operatic extravaganza entitled "Jenny Lind," which pieces combined, will afford ample opportunity for the display of her versatile genius in dancing and vocal and instrumental music, comedy and tragedienne, in which, while excelling in some respects, she is acceptable in all.

"Damon and Pythias" will be played to-morrow night Mr. J. E. McDonough and Mrs. Sarah Perrin appearing—both fine artists. The "Black Crook" will be given Monday evening.

THE MUSEUM.—Among the varied attractions of the city, one cannot spend an hour or two better in the gratification of his curiosity than by visiting the Crescent City Museum, opposite the St. Charles Hotel. The pedestrian, for, if we may be allowed the coinage, to expose the use which the young woman, Miss Leak, makes of her feet, are truly wonderful. She writes a fair hand, and sews and knits, etc., with astonishing experience. Professor Gardner's glass blowings are a very attractive feature of the Museum, as he breathes and molds the fragile but durable glass into imitation of the most beautiful objects in art and nature. Other wonders of the Museum are the beautiful birds and wild animals, and Miss Ella Eugene in her bold adventures in the cages with a young bear and a couple of fierce lions.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The "Tale of Enchantment" continues to attract crowded houses to the Academy, the injunction of the "Black Crook" proprietors not withstanding. It is certainly the grandest thing which was ever put upon a New Orleans stage.

NATIONAL THEATRE.—There will be a second grand performance, Sunday night, of Offenbach's world renowned comic and spectacular opera, "Orpheus in the Infernal Regions," which will be rendered in German, with the full force of the company.

THE Selma and New Orleans Railroad.

We copy the following letter from the Selma (Ala.) *Messenger* of the 11th inst.:

SELMA, Dec. 2, 1867.—MY DEAR MAJOR:—I have the pleasure to announce that the Selma and New Orleans Railroad Company has been organized under the charter granted by the Legislature of Alabama. No enterprise in the north has ever contained more than this one, for I regard its accomplishment as of the greatest importance to an extensive portion of the Southern country, and of itself to the town of Selma, in the prosperity of which we both feel deep interest.

In an interview with many prominent gentlemen of New Orleans last spring, I became convinced that the enterprise, when proposed to that community, will be joined in by it with great spirit. The State Legislature then in session also to regard it very favorably. All the business men with whom I conversed on that trip seemed fully alive to the inevitable fact of the construction of this road in time to swing the commerce of the city by developing the great resources of the country lying along its course.

Its effect upon the trade of Selma will be the same—for it will certainly bring to that market the products, agricultural and mineral, of all the eastern part of the tract of country between the two cities. The local trade of the road will be at least as great as that of any now existing in the South. The extensive mineral regions through which the route passes, extending from a considerable distance east of the Tombigbee far into Mississippi, will, of itself, furnish freight enough to make the road profitable to its owners.

This road will be on the shortest practicable line from New Orleans to Washington, and the intermediate commercial cities. It will, therefore, always have the transportation of the through freight and travelers. Hence it is not a bold assertion that the two advantages of location—the through business and make it the most important railroad of the South. Although it will not only greatly enhance the value of landed property, it will bear it, and in the main but, unlike existing Southern railroads, compensate its owners very handsomely by large dividends, should its affairs be respectably managed.

I have observed that an idea prevails to some extent in Selma that a railroad to Pensacola would be more advantageous than the one to New Orleans. It is a great mistake. The former road would depend almost entirely upon the transportation of local and iron down. It would bring almost nothing up. And before there can be such transportation, Pensacola must be a city. And that may not be in this generation. The other road will bring merchandise to Selma—cotton, corn, iron, figure to make oil and gas, or the oil made at the mills.

To make a commercial city in that country, you want easy-working railroads to bring articles of commerce from Pensacola and Mobile to the three northwest and southwest of Selma, and a direct route to New York. A third great advantage is, to have the great route from the southwest to Northeast—or, between New Orleans and New York. The construction of this road would, therefore, greatly benefit both the property holders of Selma, New Orleans, and the country lying along it, and the merchants of those cities.

The value of your mines of lignite is likely to prove greatly. The use of gas in the cities as fuel, is certain to increase rapidly. And recent experiments show that the general use of coal for generating steam on sea steamers is at least probable. The construction of the Selma and New Orleans Railroad will, of course, add greatly to the value of those mines. But their value is independent of railroads; I mean that of your own locations, on account of their vicinity to the Tombigbee, by which means of transportation is always secure.

Very truly yours,

J. E. JOHNSON.

Major E. M. Robertson, Selma, Ala.

READING JUDICIAL PROCESS A CRIME.

We were somewhat mortified to see in the issue of yesterday of our excellent and esteemed cotemporary, the *Picayune*, a paragraph in its local column, under the caption of "Died Out," which is considered to be a covert slur upon the *Bee*. We presume it to have been the thoughtless work of one of the junior employés of the paper, and published without the knowledge of its proprietor, who will readily admit we are always careful to observe the amenities of the profession, and ready to lend our support to any proper subject taken up by our confrères of the press. When we differ, it is done with all respect, and reasons are assigned therefor. In this case to which we refer—the late *habeas corpus* case in Judge Theard's Court—the allusion to us is unmistakable, having taken it up with earnestness than any of our cotemporaries. The writer in the *Picayune* assigns no reasons for his dissent from our views, but intimates that those who have denounced the abduction of the prisoners Wallichs from this State, were influenced by the fact of their having been charged with embezzling a large sum of money, when the case of petty offenders would not have attracted any attention. The parties accused, or the amount of their embezzlement were not known to us. We discussed the matter on grounds of principle and not on account of the parties, who, we hope, will be punished if found guilty. Any matter of sufficient public interest, taken up by this journal, is not generally permitted to "die out," but is kept alive so long as any good end can be served by its existence.

We take this opportunity to say that the position we have assumed on the legal question involved in this *habeas corpus* trial, is sustained by all the authorities we have consulted, and by eminent jurists practising at the New Orleans bar. Let those who find fault with it answer our argument if they can do so, and in a manner to enable us to examine their reasoning and the authorities on which they rely. It is an elementary principle needing no demonstration, that an officer of the law is bound to set an example of obedience to the process of Court, and to magnify, if it be possible, the magisterial office and the functions of him who administers that law. It is highly reprehensible as well as a contempt of court of the law seems disposed to assert itself with but little respect even for a great corporation like the Queen's Bench, the assertion was levied as we recently mentioned upon the parlor furniture, property of the city, in the Mayor's parlor in the City Hall, and we have given many fruitless examples, notoriously made, the horse attached to one of the city's "Black Marias," or prison wagons, was detached therefrom by virtue of a writ of *habeas* in the hands of one of the sharp minions of the law, being the second seizure made upon this species of property to satisfy the demands of claimants upon judgments against the city. Mayor Heath is, however, disposed to throw all legal obstacles and delays in the way of the claimants to get at least sixty days, by which time, it is expected, the city will be so relieved from embarrassment as to satisfy all creditors at once. With this object he has gone beyond the City Attorney to consult the best legal advice in the matter.

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Reportorial Miscellany.—The floating grain Elevator designated for New Orleans left St. Louis last Saturday.

The remains of Gen. Griffin, late Commander of the District of Texas, together with those of his little son, and of Dr Taylor, late Medical Director of the District, all of whom fell victims to the epidemic at Galveston, are to be taken, to New York on the steamship Bienville, which sails this morning. The body as are in charge of Capt. James Snider, of the 3d U. S. Infantry, acting under orders of Gen. Grant.

Mr. C. D. Holle, news dealer and stationer, No. 61 Exchange Alley, sends us the latest numbers of *Harper's Bazar*, *Harper's Weekly*, *Frank Leslie's Illustrated*, and the *Chimney Corner*, and the *next* number of the *Dime Illustrated*, a paper published in Boston, of the form and size of the others mentioned.

The *Times* leader last evening is headed "The Convention in Bonds."

W. H. Converse, known as "Wandering Willie," reached this city Wednesday evening, having "paddled his own canoe" all the way from Burlington, Iowa, on the Upper Mississippi. He left Burlington the 1st of October.

Miss McVicker, of Chicago, will play with Edwin Booth at the Varieties.

The Louisiana Republican Convention for the nomination of States officers takes place in this city on the 30th inst.

Mark Keiser, the Boy Violinist.—We visited last night a friend who had invited the little boy Mark Kaiser to be present with his violin. We were more than ever astonished at his remarkable talent for music. He is a mere child, slender and slight, even for his eleven years; although a boy in all his tastes and habits, not precocious in other respects, but he handles his bow like a master. He plays with the utmost precision, both as to time and notation, executing the most difficult passages faithfully; but that which most distinguishes him is that thrill of sentiment and expression of the inner thought which the violin, most of all other instruments, enables the true musician to give forth, and which both the ear and the eye, when dwelling on his wra, t, pale face, finds in him the most eminent promise. Our readers will see, by looking at our advertising columns, that this boy will give a concert at the National next Thursday night, assisted by many talented performers, for his benefit. We advise them to secure seats early, by which time, it is expected, the city will be so relieved from embarrassment as to satisfy all creditors at once. With this object he has gone beyond the City Attorney to consult the best legal advice in the matter.

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[To the New Orleans Bee.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Georgia Convention.

Later from the Indian Country.

The National Whisky Convention

Heavy Robbery in Philadelphia.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

Foreign and Domestic Markets.

From Southwest Pass.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Forty employés in the Agricultural Department, mostly women, have been dismissed. Large numbers from the other Departments will soon be discharged. Great distress prevails in consequence.

Internal Revenue receipts to-day $291,000.

The Senate Finance Committee will report unfavorably upon Edward Cooper's confirmation as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The Senate Judiciary Committee will report favorably on Senator Thomas of Maryland.

The New York Board of Aldermen have passed a resolution approving of Mr. Seward's Danish purchases.

Senator Wilson presented a memorial from John Warren, an American citizen, who is now in a British jail, charged with Fenianism. The petition states that Warren was in New York when the outbreak with which he stands charged were committed.

Sumner presented the usual number of petitions, the most noticeable one from 30,000 Kentucky negro soldiers praying for equal salaries.

A bill was presented to prevent polygamy in Utah.

The memorial of the New York Chamber of Commerce relative to the resumption of specie payments was referred to the printer.

The bill repealing the cotton tax came up. Morrell thought it was a great mistake to act on this bill until the tax in kind, which Pomeroy should come up at once. Johnson gave notice of an amendment, applying the effects of the bill to the cotton crop. The bill was postponed.

The resolution adjourning December 20th to 6th prox., passed.

Several financial bills were referred, and after executive session the Senate adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.—After unimportant business the House went into Committee of the Whole, and adjourned to Monday.

Atlanta, Dec. 13.—The Reconstruction Convention to-day refused to reconsider the relief ordinance adopted yesterday by 81 to 64.

A substitute to the resolutions asking the repeal of the cotton tax was adopted, as follows:

Whereas, The successful cultivation of cotton in Georgia is essential to the prosperity of the people and the full development of the national interests of the State; and

Whereas, The enactment given to production abroad during the war has largely increased that production, which has, in connection with other causes, reduced its value as to seriously endanger its continued cultivation as a leading staple by her own people, therefore—

Resolved, That this Convention do recommend the repeal of the cotton tax, and, if practicable, the application of the repeal to the present crop.

Resolved, That this Convention considers its repeal as essential to the continued successful cultivation of cotton in the great staple States, the country will as a measure of relief to both agricultural capital and labor.

Resolved, That the Convention having completed the labor devolved upon it by the Government of the United States to aid in restoring the prosperity of the people of Georgia, and the development of her great natural resources, do hereby request the President of the Convention to forward a certified copy of these resolutions to the President of the United States, to the Senators and Representatives and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with a request that they be presented at an early day to both Houses of Congress.

A white delegate offered his resignation as a member of the Convention. Bradly, a negro, had been robbed to-day of two millions of dollars, on his way from the bank to the clearing house. The robbers were in a sleigh and drove off with the plunder. No arrests have been made.

Southwest Pass, Dec. 13—6 A. M.—Wind north. Weather clear. Barometer 30·70. Tide 3 inches lower than noted for many months. 12 M.—Wind N. E. by E. and moderate. Barometer 30·60. 6 P. M.—Light N. E. breeze, clear and cold.

Arrived—Steamship Liberty, Baine, from Baltimore, via Havana, merchandise and passengers to Witherspoon & Halsey. Steamship Trade Wind, Murrell, from Belize, merchandize and passengers to Brooks & Macdonald.

Sailed—Steamship Texas Burke Newcastle, Lincoln, Isabell, Marie and Slobe. Ships Pontiac and Union, Schooners Nina and Florida, steamship Crescent. Inside, schooner Gertrude. Outside waiting orders, ship Mozart.

London, Dec. 13, noon.—Bonds and console unchanged.

Paris, Dec. 13.—Specie in the Bank of France has increased fourteen millions of francs. Rentes weak.

Liverpool, Dec. 13, 2 P. M.—Cotton more active. Sales to-day at 14,000 bales; quotations unchanged. Corn advanced—46s 6d. Bacon declined—42s. Sugar easier at 26s.

London, Dec. 13, evening.—Consols 92¾. Bonds 71 11 16.

Liverpool, Dec. 13, evening.—Cotton closed without improvement, but cotton to arrive was firmer, uplands in port 7¾d, to arrive 7d. Orleans to arrive 7¾d. Sales for the week 70,000 bales; American unfavorable; goods and yarns declining.

Sugar dull, 26s. Spirits Turpentine 6d lower. Rosin 7s 11d.

[Previous Dispatches.]

Richmond, Dec. 12.—The chairman of the Conservative Convention appointed Wm. C. Rives, R. M. T. Hunter, John Janney, James Marshall, and J. R. Tucker, a committee to prepare an address to the people of Virginia and the United States.

A Farmers Convention is in session tonight. The Enquirer denounces those who attended the Conservative caucus of the State, endorses the action of the Conservative Convention. There is a heavy elect here to-night.

Wilmington, Dec. 12.—Sales summary—The London *Times* commenting on the repeal of the cotton tax says the difficulties of the United States are extreme. They will be obliged to reimpose the internal tax and higher tariff, but the *Times* believes their bonds will ultimately be paid in specie.

Bullion in the Bank of England has decreased £53,000.

To import duties at the island of Porto Rico, on cotton, breadstuffs, provisions, coal and machinery, have been abolished by Spain.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland declares emeralds in honor of the executed Fenians self-loud, and forbids them.

GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION.—Chief Justice Peabody, of Georgia, has promulgated his proclamation, ordering an election for Governor, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Governor Brown. The election will be held on the 2d of August next as the time for said election. Of course it will be necessary for the Democracy to meet in Convention and nominate a candidate for Governor. We presume the State Central Committee will, at an early day, issue a call for a Convention, not only to nominate a candidate for Governor, but also to appoint delegates to the Democratic National Convention, select an electoral ticket, and to perform the usual duties of 1868. We are probabilities are that the 22d of February will be fixed as the time for the meeting of the State Convention. However, this we shall have definite news before long. We do not deem it essential to make any suggestions touching the matter, as in this we have it in charge will, we doubt not, do justice to it.—*Savannah and Georgia.—Correspondence of Louisville Courier.*

The Grant Meeting.

The Grant demonstration last night was strongly conservative in character, and the drift of public sentiment. It embraced men of a large variety of shades in political sentiment, and of every class of a community of intelligence such as can be called out by no public man but Grant. This movement cannot be engineered by selfish party politicians. If such men attempt to obtain control of it, or to use it for their own purposes, they will be shaken off at the outset, and will be defeated in their ultimate aims. There was a political movement in the country that had its spontaneous origin with the mass of the people, and that was set on foot by the influence of no wire-workers, the schemes of place-hunters, and the projects of narrow-minded partisans, it is the movement for elevating Grant to high position where his great practical abilities can be fully called in play for the settlement of those distracting public questions which have thus far failed of satisfactory solution. Grant now is constantly becoming more complicated and threatening. Over all the other prominent men of the country he towers daily from new points, combines qualities, and powers and ideas, which give promise of uniting a conflicting public opinion and bringing us upon a divided country. We say this from a personal qualities and practical powers, for those who fancy that he is destitute of intellectual perceptions or decided opinions in relation to political issues and public affairs, must have paid very little attention to his actual official course or his occasional and brief expressions of opinion. After attending many of his evidence before the Impeachment Committee, and his report as Secretary of War, (both of which documents we have published within a few days,) no one who reads them will have any doubt as to where he now stands, or as to whether he has a standing. He is a man of decided views, and they are well informed, and no question about which he has not come to a conclusion. If this view on few matters are called in question, he is reticent, extremists, they are quite certain to satisfy that vast majority of the American people who desire to settle all questions in all parts of the country, and hence the spontaneous uprisings for Gen. Grant, which are without precedent in our political history. They did not originate with politicians, and cannot be controlled by schemers.—*N. Y. Times.*

The Washington *Evening Star* was sold the other day for $125,000—a good price for a small sized paper.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 13, 1867.

The commercial week closes this evening with a decidedly easier Money market, the effect of the cotton movement and the pay ments by merchants for the interior being at last sensibly felt in nearly every branch of trade. It would be a great mistake, however, to suppose that the cotton crop will not greatly exceed the supply, or that there are not frequent compeints of the inadequate amount of capital available for the discount of good paper or for loans on bonds and collaterals. At the same time while there has been an improvement in the wholesale trade it is by no means general, and many branches of business are still characterized by unusual dullness for this time of year.

Gold opened under the stimulating influence of favorable telegrams from New York at 132⅝ to 132¾, against 132¾ last evening, and after selling as high as 133 and as low as 132, finally closed at 132⅝ to 132⅞. The New York market, which controlled our own, appears to have fluctuated to a greater extent than usual, and its closing rate failed to have the influence here that might have been looked for. Quotations on the 22d of February, to form a party for the restoration of the nation and the preservation of the Union, on the principles of the Constitution.

New York, Dec. 12.—Cotton firmer, advanced ⅛c. Sales 2000 bales. Middlings 15¾ to 15¾c. Gold $10,000 at 132⅝. Sterling Exchange $10 25 to $14 50. Wheat heavy and nominal. Corn scarce; Western mixed $1 37 to $1 39. Provisions dull. Groceries quiet, but dull. Naval stores dull. Freights, cotton by steam ⅜c.

New York, Dec. 13.—Money closed very easy. Gold stronger at 133⅛. Governments steady. Stocks generally lower.

Wilmington, Dec. 13.—Cotton—market quiet; middling 13c. Weather very cold.

Augusta, Dec. 13.—Cotton—market closed firm; sales 800 bales; receipts 1050; middlings 14¼c.

Mobile, Dec. 13.—Cotton—sales to-day 2000 bales; middlings 14c; low middlings 13¾c; strict middlings 14¼ to 15c; ordinary 12c; good ordinary 12½c; receipts to-day 1000 bales; receipts per steamer 29,833; receipts to-day 3984; exports 6173; to Havre 1967; to New York 1056; to New Orleans 3150; on board 59,731 bales.

Charleston, Dec. 13.—Cotton—market firm; sales 600 bales middlings at 15c. Receipts for the week 10,350 bales. Exports 8776 bales, of which 3626 was to Great Britain; 5150 to the Continent, and 4035 Coastwise. Stock on hand 16,997 bales.

Savannah, Dec. 13.—Cotton opened dull and heavy—closed quiet but firm; middlings 14¾c. Sales 1000 bales. Receipts 3063 bales.

Vicksburg, Dec. 13.—Passed down, Vicksburg with 1115 to the Continent. Passed up, Long-worth at 9 and the Lee at 9 P. M. Passed up, Olive Branch at 12 M. River stationary.

Cincinnati, Dec. 13.—Flour dull and unchanged; family $11 25 to $12 00. Cotton rather firmer at 13¾c. Tobacco unchanged.

St. Louis, Dec. 13.—Tobacco steady and unchanged; lugs 6 to 8c; common to shipping leaf 8 to 13c. Cotton 12¾c.

Weather mild—heavy snow storm since noon.

Louisville, Dec. 13.—Tobacco easier; light logs to leaf $3 to $27. Cotton 14 to 14½c. Whisky in bond 30 to 32c.

Louisville, Dec. 13.—River rising slowly, 3 feet 8 inches in the canal. Thermometer 21. Weather clear.

Nashville, Dec. 13.—The Senate to-day passed the common carrier bill, and negroes in Tennessee now have the same privileges of travel on railroads as are accorded to white people.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Governor Haight has appointed J. H. Crooke, Judge of the Supreme Court, *vice* Shafter, resigned.

The Democrats in the Legislature have been in caucus three nights and have balloted 9 times for United States Senator. Eugene Cassel