SUPPLEMENT TO
THE BEE.

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1835.

State of Louisiana.

TWELFTH LEGISLATURE—1st SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, March 5, 1835.

The house met, agreeably to adjournment.

On motion, ordered that leave of absence for a few days be granted to Mr A. B. Theoleaux.

On motion, ordered, that Mr Antonio Dicros be excused from attending the sitting on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr Lavergne, ordered that two additional members be appointed on the committee of enrolment.

The speaker appointed Messrs Penn and Delachaise.

Mr Montegut offered the petition of sundry inhabitants of the city of New Orleans, praying for the extension of the jurisdiction of the associate judges of the city courts.

On motion, ordered that said petition be referred to a special committee of three members.

The speaker appointed Messrs Montegut, Ogden and Augustin.

A message from the governor, by Mr Forstall, his private secretary, informing the house that he has approved and signed the bill entitled

'An act to incorporate the commercial insurance company, approved on the 5th day of March 1834.

Mr Lewis, chairman of the committee on claims, to whom had been referred the petitions of Michael Paul and P. A. Morse, praying for certain relief, reported by introducing the two following bills, viz:

'An act for the relief of Michael Paul;' and

'An act for the relief of P. A. Morse, of the parish of Natchitoches,' which bills underwent their first reading, and were ordered for a second reading on to morrow.

On motion of the same member, ordered that the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Dr M'Dannie.

Mr Bienvenu, agreeably to previous notice, introduced a bill entitled 'an act to continue in force an act for the incorporation of a Roman Catholic congregation in the parish of St Martin, Attakapas county, approved 9th January, 1825, and for other purposes,' which, on motion, was read by its title only, and ordered for a second reading on to morrow.

Mr Augustin gave notice that to morrow, or on a future day, he will introduce a bill entitled 'an act to incorporate the Atlantic marine and fire insurance company.'

On motion of Mr Ogden, the house having dispensed with their rules, proceeded to the third reading and consideration of the bill entitled

'An act relative to the revenue.'

On motion, ordered that the same be taken section by section.

The several sections having been adopted,

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass and retain its title.

The clerk was directed to request the concurrence of the senate in the same.

On motion of Mr Sibley, the house having dispensed with their rules, took up the bill entitled 'an act for an appropriation to repair the school house in Natchitoches.'

On motion, the house resolved into a committee of the whole for the consideration of the said bill. Mr Winn was called to the chair.

After some time the committee of the whole rose; and the speaker having resumed the chair, Mr Winn reported that the committee of the whole had had under consideration the above mentioned bill, and adopted the same, together with several amendments.

The house took up said bill.

During the discussion, Mr Davidson moved that the house resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

On the question for the adoption of said motion, the yeas and nays were called for, when it appeared that Messrs Bickham, Breed, Davidson, Dixon, P. A. Ducros, Grillet, Lambert, Landry, Ogden, Patten, Penn, Sibley and Winn had voted in the affirmative—13 yeas;

And that Messrs Armand, Augustin, Bienvenu, Brashear, Breazeale, Lambremont, Lavergne, Lewis, McCallister, Milligan, Nerault, Ory, Sheldon, Sparks, H. C. Thibodeaux and Wilson had voted in the negative.—16 nays.

Said motion was consequently rejected.

During the discussion, on motion of Mr P. A. Ducros, ordered that the house proceed to the

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On motion of Mr Armand, the house having dispensed with their rules, he was allowed to introduce a resolution, instructing the committee on public education to visit, as soon as possible, the college of Jefferson, in the parish of St James, and to report on the situation of said institution before any appropriation be granted, as is prayed for in the petition now in possession of said committee.

On motion, ordered that said resolution be adopted.

On motion of Mr Sparks, the house having again dispensed with their rules, he was allowed to introduce the following resolution;

Whereas, it is highly important to the best interests of the rising generation in the state of Louisiana, that some uniform and efficient plan of public education should be adopted under the patronage of the state.

Be it therefore resolved that a joint committee, consisting of five members from the house of representatives and members from the senate of the general assembly of Louisiana, now convened, be appointed to digest, arrange and report to the general assembly of this state, at an early day of the next session, for its consideration, some plan of public education suited to the necessities and peculiar condition of this state; and that they be instructed to correspond with the distinguished literary and scientific gentlemen of the United States in relation to the systems of public education now in operation in the different states of the Union.

The house having again dispensed with their rules, proceeded to the 2nd reading and consideration of said resolutions.

On motion, ordered that the same be adopted.

The speaker appointed Messrs Lewis, Sparks, Augustin, Lavergne and Penn members of said committee.

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence in the same.

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The bill coming from the senate and entitled—'an act supplementary to the act incorporating the New Orleans and Nashville rail road company'—underwent its second reading, and was ordered for third reading on to morrow.

The bills entitled 'an act granting additional compensation to Etienne Mazureau Esq. Attorney General for extra services.'

And 'an act to grant to Francis Sigournet the right of making a lottery of certain furniture,' were read for a second time and ordered for a third reading on to morrow.

[illegible] of Mr Davidson, the house took up the bill entitled 'an act to amend the 5th section of an act to incorporate the city of New Orleans and for other purposes, approved 9th March, 1827,'—which bill came from the senate, and had been laid on the table.

Several amendments having been offered,

During the discussion the previous question was called for, and the yeas and nays called for by Mr Winn, on that question which was put in the following manner:

'Shall the main question be now put?'

Messrs Armand, Augustin, Bienvenu, Bickham, Delachaise, P. A. Ducros, Jauffrion, Labatut, Lambremont, Landry, Lewis, Lavergne, McCallister, Milligan, Montegut, Nerault, Ory, Patin, Patton, Sibley and H. C. Thibodeaux had voted in the affirmative—22 yeas;

And that Messrs Brashear, Breazeale, Breed, Briggs, Dixon, Forest, Ogden, Sheldon, Sparks, Wilson and Winn had voted in the negative—11 nays.

Said motion having prevailed,

The question was put for the final passage of the bill.

The yeas and nays were called for, when it appeared that Messrs Armand, Augustin, Bickham, Bienvenu, Breed, Briggs, Delachaise, P. A. Ducros, Grillet, Jauffrion, Labatut, Landry, Lambremont, Lavergne, Lewis, McCallister, Montegut, Nerault, Ory, Patin, Patten, Sibley, H. C. Thibodeaux, Wilson and Winn had voted in the affirmative—25 yeas;

And that Messrs Brashear, Breazeale, Dixon, Forest, Milligan, Ogden, Sheldon and Sparks had voted in the negative—8 nays.

Said bill was consequently adopted.

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass and retain its title.

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof.

On motion, the house took up the bill entitled '—an act to incorporate the faculty of the medical college of Louisiana,' coming from the senate.

During the discussion of said bill,

On motion, ordered, that the same be laid on the table, subject to the call of the house.

On motion of Mr Delachaise, the house took up the bill coming from the senate entitled

'An act supplementary to the act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Lafayette.'

The same having been adopted,

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass and retain its title.

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof.

On motion, the house took up the bill from the senate entitled

'An act to incorporate the Red River rail road and banking company, and for other purposes.'

On motion, ordered that said bill be laid on the table, subject to the call of the house.

Mr Augustin having moved for the adjournment until to morrow, Mr McCallister called for the yeas and nays, when it appeared that Messrs Augustin, Delachaise, Jauffrion, McCallister, Nerault, Ory and Sibley had voted in the affirmative—7 yeas;

And that Messrs Armand, Bickham, Brashear, Bienvenu, Breazeale, Breed, Briggs, Davidson, Dixon, P. A. Ducros, Forest, Lambremont, Landry, Lavergne, Lewis, Milligan, Ogden, Patten, Sparks, H. C. Thibodeaux, Wilson and Winn had voted in the negative.—22 nays.

Said motion was consequently rejected.

The house took up the bill entitled

'An act for the relief of T. and F. Harris, deaf and dumb boys,' coming from the senate.

On motion, the house resolved in a committee of the whole, Mr Lavergne being called to the chair.

After some time, on motion the committee rose, the chairman, Mr Lavergne, reported that the committee of the whole had had said bill under consideration, and had made progress.

The house took up said bill.

On motion, ordered that the further consideration of the same be postponed until to morrow.

A message from the senate by Mr Davis, their secretary, informing the house that the senate do not concur in the amendment made by the house in the bill entitled

'An act relative to publications and advertisements required by law in the parish of Orleans.'

On motion of Mr Augustin, ordered that the house insist in their amendment.

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof.

Another message was received from the senate by Mr Davis, their secretary, informing the house of the concurrence of the senate in the bills entitled

'An act declaring certain offices vacant by the permanent removal of the incumbents from the parish, and providing for the appointment of their successors.'

'An act to incorporate the Rome patent brick manufacturing company.

And 'an act making appropriations to improve the navigation of the rivers West Pearl, Bogue Chitto, Bogue Falia, Tangipahoa, Notalbany, Tickfaw and Amite.

On motion, the house adjourned until to morrow at 9 o'clock A. M.

FRIDAY, March 6, 1835.

The house met, agreeably to adjournment.

Mr Penn, chairman of the committee of finance, offered the following report:

The committee of finance, to whom was referred the amount of the contingent expenses of the executive for the year 1834, beg leave to report:

That the committee have carefully examined the said amount, and compared the accompanying vouchers, and find the same correct in all respects, and the payments made in conformity to the provisions of the law.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. G. PENN,
Chm'n of said Com.

On motion, ordered that said report be adopted.

Mr Lavergne, on behalf of the committee of enrolment, reported as duly enrolled the bill entitled 'an act making appropriations to improve the navigation of the rivers West Pearl, Bogue Chitto, Bogue Falia, Tangipahoa, Notalbany, Tickfaw and Amite.

On motion, ordered, that said report be adopted.

The speaker signed the same, and the clerk was directed to request the signature of the president of the senate.

Mr Dixon offered the following report:—

The select committee, to whom was referred the several memorials of the citizens of New Orleans and of the steam boat captains in reference to the port of Orleans, have taken them into consideration, and having given that attention which the importance of the subject demands, beg leave respectfully to submit the following report:

Your committee, soon after they were appointed, discovered from testimony the most unequivocal, that the importance of the question submitted to their consideration was greatly magnified by the jarring and opposing interests of the city of New Orleans, and in coming to a conclusion on the subject, sought to divest themselves, as far as possible, from this influence, and in proposing a course for the adoption of this house have been guided principally by what they thought the great agricultural interest of the state, and the requirements of its commerce.

The investigation made by your committee has convinced them that the complaints of the steam boat captains are in some degree well founded, and demand immediate redress. This conviction was produced on the minds of your committee by the inspection of the present situation of that part of the port assigned by the act of 1827 to steam boats, and a full understanding of all the difficulties encountered by those engaged in navigating these vessels, in receiving and discharging their cargoes. Your committee have, therefore, again to recommend to the house the expediency of amending the act of 1827 so far as to admit the packet steam boats navigating the waters and carrying the produce exclusively of the state of Louisiana, to occupy all that space lying between the lower line of custom house, and the upper line of Carroll streets. This alteration, your committee thinks, will wholly remove the grounds of complaint; and relieve the internal navigation of the state from the difficulties imposed by the present regulation and wretched condition of the port, by granting to it a commodious and safe harbor, whilst on the other hand it will greatly add to the convenience and safety of the steam boats plying between this place and the ports of the other states of the union in the valley of the Mississippi.

Your committee will also observe that whilst they are considering the planting interest of the state, and the means of affording to navigation so necessary to its existence, all the facilities which its importance demands, they did not lose sight of other interests equally important to our prosperity. In accordance with this view, it was an important consideration with the committee not materially to interfere with the convenience of the shipping interest, or to affect the value of property acquired on the belief and faith of the continuance of the regulation made by the act of 1827.

In connexion with the change proposed by your committee, and as a part of one system for ameliorating the condition and supplying the wants of the navigation interest, they deem it their duty to urge upon the serious consideration of the house the expediency of authorising the enterprising citizens of New Orleans to make the projected improvement of the port lying above canal street, upon the terms and in the manner proposed by them. This privilege is greater, and the projected improvement is completed, it will form an epoch in the annals of our state, and give a new spur to its navigation, commerce and agriculture, will calculated to promote the solid and permanent interest of the state.

Your committee are of the opinion that the following considerations are conclusive of the question of expediency of the proposed alteration, and of authorising the projected improvement.

The present accommodations for the commerce of New Orleans (which is the commerce of the state) when it did not amount to more than one half its present value. Then it did not exceed twenty, now it has risen to near forty millions.

That the steam boats and other craft which waft to our port the vast productions of the valley of the Mississippi have to pay levee duties very onerous, when compared with the limited means of accommodation afforded, and are, moreover, subjected to delays in discharging their cargoes, that to them have proved much more onerous and vexatious, than that of excessive levee duties.

The batteau in front of the 1st and 6th wards, the space assigned to steam boats and flat boats to lay at and discharge upon, have gradually encroached upon the river, and has tended materially to render the accommodations intended for them less commodious and secure than when projected; and in consequence of his extension of the batteau the corporation at considerable expense, has extended wharves over the same to low water mark, with a view of removing the disadvantages arising from the increase, but long experience has proved that they do not answer the expectations of the most enthusiastic in favor of their erection.

In the first place, they only afford accommodations to steam and flat boats during the height of the river, and even then, boats discharging thereon are necessarily compelled to roll their cargoes of sugar, cotton, &c. upwards of one hundred yards over them, in order to place them in situations for the drays to receive them. The expense incident to this mode, besides the loss and damage sustained by the planter in having his crop roughly handled, and exposed to the inclemency of the weather, is in many instances a very serious drawback upon the profits of the vessels engaged in that branch of the trade.

In the second place, most wharves are only temporary in their nature, and besides this not answering the ends proposed, their reparation from year to year, draws from the city treasury large sums of money.

The erection of a levee and extending the streets as represented on the diagram of the projected improvements, could in the opinion of the committee, as well, also, as those long conversant with the changes to which our river is naturally subjected, be the means of preventing or avoiding any future change, and at the same time afford permanent and ample accommodations to meet the growing wants which the increasing trade of the city necessarily demands in our port arrangement.

Another evil very serious in its nature, would be in some measure overcome by completing the measure contemplated by the memorialists.

This batteau, as its name implies, is subject to inundations for several months, and the remainder of the year exposed to the rays of the sun, which, in the opinion of many whose knowledge of the causes of the local diseases of the city entitle them to much confidence, has been one of the exciting means to generate the yellow fever, a scourge that has imposed very serious drawbacks upon the increase and prosperity of the emporium of the West, and capital of the state. Reclaiming this extensive batteau, as the projected plan eventually contemplates, and rendering it a suitable receptacle for the produce of the vast trade which congregates thereon from 14 states, would be one of the most signal events with which our history could be embellished and certainly would not detract from the merit of those who aided to accomplish such a measure.

If the present inadequate means of accommodation should remain as the proprietors of steam boats and those engaged in selling their cargoes when landed here, would be under the necessity of imposing greater charges upon the article consigned to their care, and who would feel the effect of this additional charge, certainly the grower of the crop; but the measure contemplated has in view the object of rendering such accommodations as will tend to cover the present rates and expedite the discharging of boats.

In conclusion of these suggestions, your committee would ask, who that has witnessed the limited space on which 500,000 bales of cotton, 100,000 hogsheads of sugar, 35,000 hogsheads of tobacco, pork, flour, &c &c are usually landed, and that, during a few months, that does not feel a glow of dissatisfaction arise within him. A street, and that only 60 feet wide, enough for such a business! The idea is too absurd for serious contemplation. If the whole batteau was reclaimed and appropriated to that purpose the accommodations of the port would not be commensurate with the demands of great and growing commerce.

Your committee, in conclusion, beg leave to submit the annexed bill as a substitute for the one that passed the senate.

T. LAWSON, Chairman

On motion, ordered that said report be laid on the table, subject to the call of the house.

Mr Dixon gave notice that to morrow, or on a future day he will introduce a bill entitled 'an act to incorporate the western suburb of New Orleans, and for other purposes'

Mr Bickham agreeably to previous notice, introduced a bill entitled 'an act granting to Stephen Lee the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry across the river Bogue Chitocha the parish of Washington,' which bill on motion was read by its title only, and ordered for a second reading on to morrow.

Mr Ogden, agreeably to previous notice, introduced the bill entitled

'An act to incorporate the Baton Rouge academy,'—which bill underwent its first reading, and was ordered for a second reading on to morrow.

The house having dispensed with their rules, Mr Augustin was allowed to introduce without previous notice, the bill entitled 'an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend the act entitled an act to incorporate the Ocean insurance company, approved 30 March 1835,' which bill underwent its first reading by the title only.

On motion of Mr Augustin, the house having again dispensed with their rules, proceeded to the 2d and 3d readings of said bill.

On motion, ordered that the same be taken into consideration section by section

The several sections having been adopted,

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass and retain its title.

The clerk was directed to request the concurrence of the senate in the same

On motion of Mr Armand, the house having dispensed with their rules, proceeded to the third reading of the bill entitled

'An act for the relief of the widow J. B Chastant of the parish of St James.'

On motion, the house resolved into a committee of the whole for the consideration of said bill.

Mr Delachaise was called to the chair.

After some time, on motion, the committee of the whole rose

Mr Delachaise, chairman, reported that the committee of the whole had had under consideration the above mentioned bill, and adopted the same with an additional section. The house took up said bill

During the discussion, on motion of Mr Ogden the house proceeded to the

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The following bills underwent their second reading, and were ordered for a third reading on to morrow:

'An act to continue in force an act incorporating the Roman Catholic congregation in the parish of St Martin, county of Attakapas, approved January 9 1825,' and for other purposes'

'An act to incorporate the Roman Catholic congregation of St Francis Xavier of Rapides

'An act for the relief of P. A. Moore, of the parish of Natchitoches'

And 'an act for the relief of Michael Paul.'

On motion of Mr Breazeale, the house having dispensed with their rules, he was allowed to give notice that to morrow, or on a future day, he will introduce a bill entitled 'an act to repeal an act entitled an act annexing certain parishes therein named to the western district of the supreme court, and establishing an additional term therein' approved 24 April 1824

On motion of Mr Briggs, the house having dispensed with their rules, he was allowed to give notice, that to morrow, or on a future day, he will introduce a bill entitled 'an act to create two additional supreme judges for the state of Louisiana.'

On motion of Mr Sparks, the house having dispensed with their rules, he introduced, on behalf of the special committee, to whom had been referred the resolution in relation to the repairs to be made to the state capitol, the bill entitled 'an act to provide for the necessary repairs alterations and additions to the state capitol and public offices,' which bill was read by its title only and ordered for a second reading on to morrow.

On motion the house having again dispensed with their rules, the same member on behalf of the committee appointed to examine into the condition of the consolidated association of the planters of Louisiana, made the following report:

(See the Bee of 6th March.

On motion, ordered that said report be laid on the table subject to the call of the house

The following message in writing was received from the governor, by Mr Forstall, his private secretary:

New Orleans, 6th March, 1835

To the senate and house of representatives. I submit the annexed communication from the treasurer of this state, by which it appears that the fund for internal improvement created by the act of 1831 is exhausted. There are demands against the board now due, which there are no available funds to meet. Calls are constantly receiving to defray the expenses of the several superintendants of public works.

It seems my duty to refer the matter to the attention of the legislature, for their determination on the expediency of the case.

E. D. WHITE,
Governor of the state of Louisiana.

On motion, ordered, that said message, together with the annexed communication be referred to the committee on internal improvements

On motion of Mr Lawson, the house having dispensed with their rules he was allowed to introduce, without previous notice, the bill entitled

'An act to authorise certain persons therein mentioned to improve the port of Orleans,' which was read, and ordered for a second reading on to morrow.

On motion of Mr Roussel, ordered that an additional member be appointed on the committee of public education.

The speaker appointed Mr Davidson

On motion of Mr Augustin, the house having dispensed with their rules, he was allowed to introduce, without previous notice the bill entitled

'An act to incorporate the tobacco warehouse company of New Orleans, and to regulate the inspection of tobacco in hogsheads and cases,' which was read by its title only, and ordered to be printed.

The house took up the bill entitled 'an act for an appropriation to repair the school house in Natchitoches,' which was duly considered yesterday when the house proceeded to the order of the day

On motion of Mr Davidson, the house resolved into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of said bill

Mr Augustin was called to the chair.

After some time, the committee of the whole rose, the chairman, Mr Augustin, reported that said bill had been adopted, together with several additional sections.

The house took up said bill.

The several sections having been adopted,

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass with the following title: 'an act for an appropriation to repair the school house in Natchitoches, and for other purposes.'

The clerk was directed to request the concurrence of the senate therein.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled 'an act for the relief of T. and F. Harris, deaf and dumb boys,' which had been yesterday adopted in the committee of the whole.

Mr Davidson having moved that the same be laid on the table subject to the call of the house, Mr Lewis called for the yeas and nays when it appeared that Messrs Armand, Augustin Bickham Brashear, Briggs, Davidson, Delachaise, Davenport, Grillet, Haile, Lambremont, Landry, McCallister, Ogden, Patten, Roussell, Sparks, H. C. Thibodeaux and Wilson had voted in the affirmative—19 yeas;

And that Messrs Breazeale Dixon, Lawson Lewis, Milligan, Sheldon and Sibley had voted in the negative—7 nays.

Said motion was consequently adopted.

Mr Lavergne, on behalf of the committee of enrolment, reported as duly enrolled the bills entitled

'An act to incorporate the Atchafalaya rail road and banking company.

And 'an act declaring certain offices vacant by the permanent removal of the incumbents from the parish, and providing for the appointment of their successors.'

The speaker signed the same.

The clerk was directed to request the signature of the president of the senate to the same.

A message was received from the senate by Mr Davis, their secretary, requesting the signature of the speaker to a bill entitled 'an act relative to publications and advertisements required by law in the parish of Orleans, and for other purposes'

Mr Penn on behalf of the committee of enrolment, having reported said bill as duly enrolled,

The speaker signed the same

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof

The house took up the bill entitled 'an act to amend an act to incorporate the Pontchartrain rail road company.'—coming from the senate.

The same being adopted

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass and retain its title.

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof

The house took up the bill coming from the senate entitled 'an act to incorporate the subscribers to the marine and fire insurance company.'

On motion, ordered that said bill be taken section by section.

Said bill having been adopted with amendments in the body,

On motion, ordered that said bill do pass as amended and retain its title.

The clerk was directed to inform the senate thereof, and request their concurrence in the amendment made by the house.

Mr Ogden having moved that the house adjourn until to morrow, the yeas and nays were called for, when it appeared that Messrs Armand, Bienvenu, Breed, Briggs, Davidson, Davenport, Dixon, Lambremont, Landry, Lawson, McCallister, Ogden, Gry, Penn and H. C. Thibodeaux had voted in the affirmative—16 yeas;

And that Messrs Augustin Brashear, Breazeale, Delachaise, Lewis, Milligan, Montegut, Nerault, Patten, Roussell, Sheldon, Sparks and Wilson had voted in the negative—13 nays.

Said motion having prevailed,

The house adjourned until to morrow at ten o'clock A. M.

SATURDAY, March 7, 1835.

The house met, agreeably to adjournment.

On motion, a call of the house having taken place, Messrs Labranche, Augustin, Beckham, Brashear, Breazeale, Briggs, Davidson, Delachaise, Dixon, Lambremont, Landry, Lavergne, Lewis, Nerault, Ogden, Patten, Penn, Sheldon and Wilson were present—19 members present.

And Messrs Armand, Bienvenu, Breed, Debuys, Davenport, Forest, Grillet, Haile, Jauffrion, Labatut, Lawson, McCallister, Montegut, Milligan, Ory, Patin, Richardson, Roussell, Sibley, Sparks and H. C. Thibodeaux did not answer to the call.

There being no quorum,

On motion, the house adjourned until Monday at nine o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, March 9, 1835.

The house met, agreeably to adjournment.

On motion, ordered that leave of absence be granted to Messrs Breed, Armand and Jauffrion.

On motion of Mr Augustin, ordered, that leave of absence be granted for the balance of the session to Mr Lewis, from Thursday next

Mr Lawson presented sundry memorials from the citizens of East Feliciana, in relation to the Clinton and Port Hudson rail road company.

On motion, ordered that the same be referred to a special committee of three

The speaker appointed Messrs Lawson, Davenport and Briggs members of said committee.

Mr Patten offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the clerk be requested to purchase for the use of the house two maps of the state of Louisiana, now for sale at H. Levy's; in which the different parishes of the state are distinctly laid down; the cost of which to be paid out of the fund appropriated to contingent expenses.

On motion, ordered that the same be adopted.

Mr Sparks presented the memorial of C. A. Luxemberg and others, praying for a charter for the German Union.

On motion, ordered that the same be referred to a special committee, composed of three members.

The speaker appointed Messrs Sparks, Labatut and McCallister, members of said committee.

Mr Dixon presented the following report of the minority of the committee to whom was referred the bill to equalise the representation in the city council:

REPORT of the minority of the committee on equalising the representation in the city council of New Orleans. [Laid on the table, subject to call.]

The minority of the committee appointed to examine and report on the propriety of adopting a bill, giving to the citizens of New Orleans a more just and equitable representation in the city council, considers the question of such importance involving, as it does, the rights of a large portion of our fellow citizens, that they deem it their imperative duty not only to differ from the majority of the committee, but to recommend the bill now before the house in the strongest terms, and also, to make known the reasons which induce them in coming to these conclusions—the committee therefore, respectfully reports as follows:

That they assume it to be an unquestionable and fundamental principle of our government, that the people be duly represented, and that consequently, nothing can be more repugnant to the spirit of our institutions than that a minority should control a majority, and that the experience of ages has taught that the interests of all communities suffer when such a state of things exist—that such, however, should be the case among us, and in the government of our principal city, whose brilliant destinies, under wise administration must be contemplated with pride by every citizen of our state; and whose prosperity is so intimately connected with us all, is a fact well ascertained by the minority of the committee, and requires that to be known (in their humble opinion) to the representatives of the intelligent, free, and democratic people of the state of Louisiana to be corrected and set right.

In March, 1825 a list of all the voters was made by the city of the city in conformity with a requisition of a law of that year, the whole number then was 1862, distributed as follows:

1st Ward, as now bounded	355	voters.
2d	200	"
3d	194	"
4th	161	"
5th	236	"
6th	345	"
7th	114	"
8th	104	"

There has been no registry of voters made since that period from the increase in the population in the city, and as indicated in the increase number of voters even at a common parish election, it appears certain that there are now 4000 voters; which, from the best sources of information, the minority of the committee have been enabled to prove they believe to be distributed as follows:

(To be continued.)

SALES AT AUCTION.

BY J. B. BLACHE.

BY virtue of an order from the honorable the Court of Probates for the city and parish of New Orleans, dated the 18th of March, 1835, will be sold on Tuesday, the 31st March next, at the house of Howell & Hampton, exchange office house, the following described property belonging to the succession of the late Richard Richard.

A Lot of Ground situated in Royal street, between Ursulines and Hospital street, having 24 feet 2 inches front on Royal street by 103 feet 11 inches deep, together with the buildings thereon, consisting of a two story brick house, No. 343, of 5 apartments all paved, two of which with marble mantelpieces; two story brick stable of 6 rooms, &c. The yard, in which is a cistern containing nearly 2000 gallons is paved with flag stones.

Terms—Sixty days credit on the 9th of November 1835, with the interest at 12, 18 and 24 months credit, for approved endorsed notes, and special mortgage until final payment.

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BY J. B. BLACHE.

WILL be sold on Tuesday, 7th of April, at 12 o'clock, at Howell's office house, the following valuable property belonging to Mr David Ogier.

A Lot of Ground, No. 1, situated at W. S. W. angle of Hamburgh and Ursuline streets, having 38 feet 3 inches front on Ursuline street by 127 feet 10 inches deep, and front on the second street; there is on said lot a house built of brick between posts, covered with tiles, composed of 4 large apartments, 2 cabinets and gallery, in the back part of said lot; there is a house built of brick between posts, composed of several servants rooms.

Lot number 2 adjoins number 1, having 27 feet front on Ursuline street by 127 feet 10 inches deep, in the back part of said lot there are two cisterns, a washing shade paved with flag stones and two cisterns, the yard of the above property is paved with flag stones and bricks, and is in good order.

A Lot of Ground with the buildings thereon, situated in Dauphine street, S. E. side, between Conti and Bienville streets, having 38 feet 4 inches front on Dauphine street by 95 feet 11 inches deep.

A portion of Ground with the buildings thereon, situated in Conti street, between Royal and Bourbon streets, divided into 3 lots, as follows:

Lots number 1 and 2, having each 26 feet 3 inches front on Conti street by 120 feet deep.

Lot number 3, having 12 feet front on Conti street by a depth of 120, at which depth it widens 64 feet 6 inches on a second depth of 91 feet 4 inches.

Terms—1 and 2 years credit for approved endorsed notes, payable at Louisiana State Bank, with special mortgage until final payment. The acts of sale to be passed before Felix Grima, Esq. notary public, at the expense of the purchasers.

Persons wishing to purchase the property will please call at the office of M. Ls. Pire, No. 123 Chartres street, where the plans can be examined.

Also, will be sold the same day, the mulatto man named Joseph, aged 35 years, stout, having a rupture, addicted to drinking and running away.

The negro man named Paul, aged 47 years, sickly and a runaway.

Terms—one year's credit for approved endorsed paper, with special mortgage until final payment.

The acts of sale by F. Grima, Esq. notary public, at the expense of the purchasers. march 18

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