

THE BEE.

PUBLISHED AND PUBLISHED DAILY BY
JENKINS & BAYON.

MUNDAY MORNING: MAY 10, 1862.

GOVERNOR,
J. B. DAWSON.

The news mail, due on Saturday, failed from beyond Mobile; that of yesterday brought New York papers of the 12th, and corresponding dates from the other northern cities. The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements. The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700. The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side. A mania seems to prevail among our citizens in regard to speculations in real estate.

The trial of colonel W. G. Taylor, for counterfeiting notes of the United States bank, is set down in the United States district court, for tomorrow morning. The case has already excited considerable interest, the jury, on a former trial, having been unable to agree upon a verdict.

Intelligence to the 17th of April announces that gen. Seward had been elected president of the republic of Colombia. A delegation has been sent to N.York to invite his return to Columbia.

We were about to file a lecture upon southern abstemiousness, but were anticipated by the *Southern Georgia*. We may continue the subject, should our contemporaries have concluded, having much more to say, relating more especially to our own condition.

The prominent charge made against the United States Bank, by the committee appointed by the house of representatives to investigate the affairs of that institution, is that, in having in the shape of loans, upon nominal security, attempted to subsidize the press and to secure its advocacy of a renewal of the charter. In making out this charge, however, they have entirely failed, so far as the report of the majority of the committee, evidently a jaded one, affords evidence. It exhibits, it is true, several transactions with editors; but if the security is lost, as it appears, in every case to have been, the public have no more to do with a loan to a printer, than they have with a loan to a merchant. But if the bank have made a tender of 4, to no one but the conductor of a public Gazette, (which, however, does not appear to have been the case) the public has much more to do with such an offer, than if a similar one had been made to a merchant, or other citizen. The bank may solicit business from the mercantile part of the community, without the shadow of impropriety; but, if, on the contrary, under existing circumstances, it should have offered to those whose business it is of little consequence to possess, and who have it in their power to control public opinion, it is an attempt to purchase influence improperly. Here is the true line of distinction.

No man who has read the response to the one hundred and sixty-two queries, which were left behind by Mr. Cameron, to be answered by the president of the bank, can fail to corroborate the ludicrous situation in which the grand inquisitor is placed, by Mr. Biddle. Those who have seen the Andazza devours a rabbit, may have a tolerable idea of the honorable quester in the arms of the respondent—there is the same imperturbable twit of his victim, who is skipping about with his head up, all self-complacency, until, by one imperceptible tug, he disappears forever, and the devouter stretches himself out to digest him at leisure. Neither the "bold eagle" of Rhode Island, nor "Mephistopheles" of Baltimore, were more drowsing. Another day we may amuse our readers with extracts.

Let it not be inferred that we are either the advocate or partisans of the bank, with its present charter. A national bank is indispensable; but we are not among those who think the bare possibility of a refusal to recharter the present institution casts more dismal shadows before, than the idea of a recurrence in *retra natura* reflects upon the screen of the imagination of a peripatetic. If the present bank be not rechartered, another will speedily take its place, with less extensive powers, both to accomplish good and evil, and the community will hardly feel the change. The winding up of the affairs of the old United States bank was uneventful by any of the disasters predicted in the present case, and we see no good claim which the stockholders can have to a perpetual monopoly.

From the *National Intelligencer*, May 12.

BANK OF THE UNITED STATES.—We had an opportunity yesterday, of hastily examining the counter-report of the majority of the bank committee presented in the house of representatives by Mr. McDowell, and from the pen of Mr. Astor and Mr. Whigham, who, with life

and death, witness the operations of that singular instrument of war called the torpedo; but we could not effectually pin object which it is directed to. Let us think on nothing more figurative of the effect of that report upon the document in which it is couched, than the blowing of a vessel out of existence by that contrivance.

We will endeavor, in a few words, to give the reader an idea of the tenor of the report, as it may be some days before a copy of it can be obtained for publication.

The report begins by examining the six cases presented in the report of the majority, as subjects of comparison, touching the violation of its charter by the bank. These accusations are all unequivocally condemned as uncharitable; and in some of the cases, great credit is given to the bank, for the very transaction which are in the majority's report subjected to censure.

The case of the loan to the editors of the *New York Courier and Empire*, is next taken up and fully examined, and the report is couched in the following terms:—"Under all the circumstances of the case, the majority of the committee declare, without any reserve, that there is nothing in these transactions calculated to induce them to doubt the honor and integrity of the directors; and that the feelings authomized to say is the opinion of the majority of its members, (Ed. W. M. B.)" They also depict it thus: "the conduct of their agents in this case, is to be deplored, but they add that they do not believe the results in the United States bank direction composed of more upright, honest, and honored men than that which governed the loans in question."

The next subject examined by the minority is the transactions of the bank with Thomas Biddle & Co., which are thoroughly proved. One incident is so remarkable as to deserve special notice. It is the relation of a system of impugning the president of the bank, by the fact and in any given case, that for several days before, and several days after, the alleged date of the transaction, Mr. Biddle, the president, was absent from the bank of Washington. "Thus," says the minority, "was this artfully devised story, which was intended to place the bank in a position of high-minded and honorable man, through one of the extorting demands, and to hoodwink men that that which governed the bank report, was not true."

The counter report goes on to examine and refute various other positions taken in the report of the majority, respecting the transposition of assets, exchange, etc. and declares the opinion that there is no part of the union which is so much beset by the general operations of the bank as the southern and western states.

I regard the comparison drawn by a majority between the condition of the bank in 1829 and now, the counter-report says, that the minority "can not regard the report as being presented by the report, as unfair and partial, and calculated to produce impressions on the public mind as absolutely erroneous as they could be positively possible." This position was sustained by facts and arguments at considerable length summing up thus: "Upon the whole, that the best

and only solvent to withdraw all its representations, but includes in it state of the highest prosperity."

The counter report concludes with the following unequivocal statement:—"Upon a review of the whole ground occupied in the examination they have made, the minority and the opinion thereof of the bank have been diminished by the president and all others, with very great ability, and with perfect fidelity, to all the obligations to the stockholders, to the government, and to the country. They regard the bank as an institution subordinate to the preservation of a sound currency, and to the financial operations of the government; and should consider the refusal of congress to renew the charters as a great national calamity."

"They will act, in conclusion, as they are equally entitled in the opinion that congress is called upon by the most weighty and urgent considerations, to decide this important question, during the present session."

FROM THE PACIFIC.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange, in consequence of the advertisements.

The aggregate amount for seventy-five lots were \$126,700.

The price of particular lots may be seen by a reference to the French side.

The only item of news that we discover is the discharge of general Houston by the national house of representatives.

By the fast sailing ship *Talakasee*, captain *Crowder*, from Liverpool, we have papers from that city to the 7th of April, for which we are indebted to the captain; their contents, however, have been anticipated by mails at New York.

The lists comprising the late plantation of general Deacon is to be seen at the exchange,