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Should Judge Woods decide against the defendants in the chancery suit to vacate our action, the State will probably lose by this Railroad the sum of five millions of dollars, for the interest on the bonds must be paid until they mature, and they have forty years to run.

Was there ever an infamous a transaction!

A Talking Machine.

The representatives of the different city journals were yesterday invited to the City Hotel to witness the performances of the celebrated talking machine of Professor Fabr, of Vienna, which has been perfected by Professor Fabens Erben. This machine has been exhibited in the capital cities of Europe and has been commended as a wonderful invention by all who have seen it. Professor Erben has been for the past 25 years engaged in perfecting this machine, which is not so complicated as one would suppose.

Long and patient toil has enabled the inventor to closely imitate the form and action of the organs employed in forming different sounds of the human voice. A good sheep bellows supplies the place of the lungs, and the air forced through the larynx by this means is governed in its exit by the lever operating upon the larynx, the epiglottis, the tongue, the lower jaw and the upper lip. The larynx, made of rubber, has within it vocal chords modeled after those of a human being, and operating in the same way. The mouth is supplied with a palate of hard rubber and a tongue of flexible rubber—both movable. To the upper jaw, which is of wood, is attached a movable lip of leather, and the lower jaw is formed of flexible rubber, and so arranged that this lip is closed tightly upon the rim of the lower jaw in pronouncing m or a.

The machine is made of wood and rubber, and is manipulated by Madam Erben, the wife of the inventor. The following words were pronounced by the machine yesterday during our stay, and most of them were distinctly articulated: Mississippi, Philopena, Emma, Palmira, Elizabeth, Sophia, Caroline, Josephine, Eliza, Catherine, Louisa, Henrietta, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati, California, Constantinople, Nebuchadnazzar. After counting from one to ten in English, French and German, the Professor had it speak the following sentences: "I am very particular before whom I speak, and I am very glad to speak here. I am only a machine, but I can talk. I was born in Vienna. My inventor was Professor Fabr." The interview was brought to a close by the machine exclaiming: "I hope you will feel satisfied with me, a little talking machine. I thank you, gentlemen. Good bye. Adieu."

The Professor labors under the disadvantage of being but slightly acquainted with the English language, while Madam Erben is unable to speak English at all. She has, however, a remarkable memory of languages, and a marvelous faculty for analyzing words and reducing them to their primitive elements, which enables her, in manipulating the levers of this machine, to reproduce any word given her with exactness.

An exhibition of the machine will be given next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, in the National Theatre, corner Baronne and Perdido streets.

Washington-Lee University.

It was stated by one of our city contemporaries a few days ago that a bequest of $70,000 had been made to the Washington-Lee University at Lexington, Virginia, by the late R. H. Bayly, one of the most substantial business men of this city. We have since obtained a copy of that clause of Mr. Bayly's will which conveys the legacy. It is in these words:

"I give to the Washington, Robert E. Lee College at Lexington, Va., seventy thousand dollars in cash (say $70,000) to establish a School in said institution, the money, the President and Trustees of said College shall designate the most useful one for the institution, the income, say $70,000, shall be kept as a permanent fund, the amount never to be made less. The interest on same to be paid in proportion of paid Professorship. I appoint my brother, G. M. Bayly, of this city, and General Lee, the President of Washington and R. E. Lee College, Lexington, Va., or his successor in office, my executors or administrators, to carry this will into effect, without their giving security."

General Lilly, the agent of the University, is now in New Orleans for the purpose of furthering its interests and particularly for the purpose of receiving subscriptions towards the endowment of the Louisiana Professorship of Modern Languages, in Washington-Lee University. The amount required is near this sum $20,000 and upwards have already been subscribed by the citizens of the State.

A person contributing $250 receives an engraved "certificate of scholarship," with four coupons attached, transferable by delivery, and entitling the bearer to four years of tuition and college fees (otherwise costing over $400). A contribution of $500 entitles the subscriber to a certificate with ten such coupons; and $1000 to twenty-four coupons. These coupons, after their respective dates, are redeemable in tuition and matriculation fees whenever presented, without limitation as to time.

We heartily commend this plan to our readers. General Lilly is at the St. Charles Hotel, and will be pleased to give such further explanations of it as parties may require.

BLIND TOM.—The last opportunity of witnessing the performances of this wonderful musical prodigy will be given the New Orleans public to-day. Two exhibitions will be given at Odd Fellows' Hall, one at 12 o'clock noon, and another in the evening. We learn from a printed sketch of his life that "Tom" is a native of the State of Georgia, having been born not far from Columbus, Muscogee county. His parents were common field hands of the pure negro blood, with nothing to distinguish them from the mass of their race. He was born blind, but soon evinced a fondness for sounds, particularly musical sounds, which exerted a controlling influence over him. * * * The mere technicalities of music, Tom learns without difficulty. Its substance he seems to comprehend intuitively. To teach him the notes, it was necessary only to sound them and to tell him their relative place in the scale. The principles of music he seemed familiar, long before he knew any of the names by which they were indicated.

COAL.—We direct the attention of consumers of coal to the advertisement of Messrs. W. G. Coyle & Co., in another part of this paper. They deliver orders in all parts of the city at lowest market rates of the various kinds of coal—Pittsburg, screened expressly for family use, Scotch cannel, first quality, also anthracite lump, egg, and chestnut size.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Bad as the weather was last night Madame Aimee had a crowded house for her benefit, when she performed the *Grande Duchess*, in a style surpassing anything seen before in New Orleans. Every opera bouffe in Offenbach's operas are favorites, more in the music and acting than the words, and it is chiefly that quality, doubtless, that gives his productions the extraordinary popularity they have. Without being prurient she has the art of rendering the *Grande Duchess* with all the peculiar eloquence the composer designed, and she creates as great enthusiasm in New Orleans as Schneider did in Paris. At matinée to-day she performs "La Perichole," and at night in "Barbe Bleue."

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Long as "Divorce" has been played at this house, the public give no signs of being sated. Unlike most plays, one can enjoy it three or four times in succession, so admirably is it rendered, and so complete are all the appointments on the stage. It will be played at matinée to-day, and again at night, for the last time for the present.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—Mr. Wallack, whose reputation as an artist places him beyond dispute in a high rank, is entertaining and edifying the habitues of the St. Charles with his best characters. At matinée, to-day, he will appear as John Brougham, in "Bass Wolters Rent Days," and at night as *Henry Dunbar*, or "the Outcast."

GARDEN FLOWERS AND FLOWERS.—The attention of novices desirous to purchase fine garden plants and flowers is called to the advertisement of Mr. Stephen Thenard, who has a large stock for sale at moderate prices.

The North Louisiana and Texas Railroad.

The following is the bill drafted by us in our editorial article of to-day by which the Legislature has made another donation of more than half a million of dollars in 6 per cent. bonds of the State, to Messrs. John T. Ledeling, John Ray and the other purchasers of the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Texas Railroad:

"To authorize the North Louisiana and Texas Railroad Company to substitute stock of said company, instead of second mortgage in favor of the State, and to repeal all laws contrary from other liabilities of the company.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened, that in lieu of the second mortgage, required by the eleventh section of the charter of the North Louisiana and Texas Railroad Company, approved March 17, 1866, and which said mortgage is to secure the payment of the bonds of the State issued in conformity to said charter or act No. 108 of the session note of the General Assembly 1868, the said North Louisiana and Texas Railroad Company may issue its stock of said company to the State to an amount equal to the principal sum of the bonds issued by the State, under said charter or act No. 108 of 1868, which shall be delivered to the State of Louisiana, with the force and effect of a second mortgage, for the full and final payment of the bonds so issued, together with the interest thereon, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually; and it is further provided, that the said railroad company shall have the right to borrow money and pledge or mortgage said railroad and to secure the payment of the same, with the force and effect of a first mortgage, to the amount of $15,000 a mile."

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Joaquin Janista, a Mexican, 22 years of age, who fell from the mast of a vessel, died of his wound and, an inquest having been held yesterday by Coroner Jackson, a verdict of accidental death was returned.

Two men discovered by a policeman, in the act of breaking open a box of sugar in front of the store of Spence, West & Co., corner of Poydras and Magnolia streets, at about three o'clock yesterday morning, had, upon being arrested, escaped, but without taking any of the sugar with them. He reports that he fired two shots at them.

Capt. Hawkes, master of the schooner Sonita, fell from the mast head of the vessel on the 27th inst., at the mouth of the river, and died shortly after, from the injuries he received. His remains were brought to the city for interment.

Arrest of Thieves and Counterfeiters.—Captain Malloch, chief of the Metropolitan police, in search of the parties who robbed the residence of Mr. Baute, at the corner of Pitt and Bayou streets, on Tuesday last, succeeded, in company with specials Donovan and Pierce, visited Mrs. Hogan's house, No. 1 Bienville, near the lake shore Canal, on Thursday last, and there found George Wallace, alias Charles A. Williams, a notorious thief, and Mr. Henry James Mack, who were both identified by Mr. Baute as the parties who stole his bank notes, gold watch, United States revenue stamps, and who escaped from the city, by giving straw bail.

In the same room with Wallace the officers found another notorious character, Johnny Hunt, alias Venables, escaped convict from the Kansas penitentiary, and for whom an officer from that State is now on the way to this city with a requisition. He was armed with a revolver and, drawing it, he attempted to use it on the officers, but was respectered.

The arrest of these thieves led to the discovery of others. Yesterday morning, at daylight, Captain Malloch and his aids visited a house on Bienville street, near Villere, where they apprehended Ben Marshall alias Stang, another escaped Kansas convict. Marshall also attempted to use a revolver, but found one with the muzzle at his head before he was ready, and succumbed. Bill Van Hook, who in his day was the most daring burglar in the South, was likewise found within the house, but as he is dying of consumption he was not arrested. Dr. Wright, who is accused of being a party to the murder of Julia Perkins, a half named Charles Jones alias Gus Smith were also arrested in the house where four revolvers and several burglars' tools were found.

On the way to the Lafayette Police Station Marshall released himself from the grasp of the officer having him in charge, and ran to the act of running away when a shot, which slightly wounded him, brought him to a halt.

Next, a descent was made on Basin street, near Perdido street, where the following, classified by the police as "dangerous night-working thieves" were secured: James Stark, Tom Kelly, alias Stanton, Thomas Brown, alias Black, and John Thompson, alias Clark.

The Late Union Club—Members who were Not Members.—Since the suit of Mr. S. B. Gill, Mr. C. W. Carter, Mr. Hugh Campbell, Henry C. Dibble, and others, as members of the "Union Club," which has been lately dissolved, for a bill of furniture, amounting to several thousand dollars, supplied to the rooms of the Association, a number of prominent Republicans, supposed to be members, have leveled the "soft impeachment." The case, which has been on trial in the Sixth District Court, was submitted on Thursday.

In his testimony Judge Dibble informed the Court that the organization was a "social club, from which no dividends were expected, except in the way of offices."

The members, or supposed members of the club were sited individually, and each one had a lawyer and a separate defence. On the parts of Benjamin F. Flanders, Mayor; General Longstreet; H. A. Snodgrass, Collector of Internal Revenue, Judge Durell, Administrator Bonzano, D. Urquhart, late Clerk of the U. S. Circuit Court, James Graham, Auditor of State, and others, the defence set up was that they were not members. In the case of Mayor Flanders, the denial was clearly proved to be a false plea, the list of subscribers to the club being exhibited, with his name among them, signed, as he was constrained to acknowledge, with his own hand.

Mr. Joseph Hernandez, one of the persons sued, testified:—"I was approached by Parson Conway, who said to me, join the club. To get rid of him I gave him a hundred dollars, which I told him to consider as a donation. The next thing I knew about it, I saw my name published in a newspaper, as a member of the organization. This made me mad, and I looked around for Conway, I was going to his house, but I could get no sight of him, as he kept out of my way. If I had met him something would have occurred, as I was very mad." Continued and the defendant, witness stand, Mr. Hernandez added, "Yes, and if I could have got hold of him, I would have whipped him."

Charity Hospital.—We are indebted to Mr. N. Tourné, Clerk of the Charity Hospital, for the following report for the month of February:

Admissions	546
Discharges	398
Deaths	102
Deserted	29
Number of patients remaining March 1st	374
Patients remaining in Marine Hospital	53
Total	527

The Rights and Duties of Citizens.

Ex-Governor Hawley, of Connecticut, lectured in the large hall of the Cooper Institute on the "Rights and Duties of Citizens" last evening. He contended that on an occasion like the day of our city election it has not been brought to the attention of the Sunday clergy of our city that it is their duty to preach against the delivery of the stock aforesaid, the remainder of the whole number of bonds issued and delivered to the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Texas Railroad Company, under the act No. 108 of 1868, viz: Five hundred and seventy-six bonds of the State of Louisiana, of the dollars of said company, and not