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FOR MAYOR
A. D. CROSSMAN.

Friday morning, March 27, 1846.

Important if True!

It was rumored in the city yesterday and as emanating from a high source that the serious difficulties now existing between the State of Louisiana and Samuel J. Peters are about being finally adjusted, without compromising in any manner the honor or dignity of either party. It is said that Mr. Peters has officially communicated to the State, through a distinguished diplomatic agent of a third power, that he is willing to treat with Louisiana on this basis:—He to decline being a candidate for Alderman of the Second Municipality for ten years, on condition they, the State will let the people of that Municipality alone.

This arrangement to be made by a treaty between the two high contracting parties, each represented by a Minister Plenipotentiary.

It is now understood, that the arrangement will be made with the unanimous approval of the great Democratic party, and that the treaty will be promptly signed by the Governor and ratified by two-thirds of the Senate.

Mr Peters will, it is said, issue a circular directed to the State stocks he invested in the most eligible form, however that the State will first appoint. Whatever in this we think he is right, but he will thereby avoid placing himself in the very awkward position which the United States now occupy in its relations with Mexico. Mr. Peters, we are inclined to think has profited by that blunder of President Polk and cannot be caught in the same way.

We learn that last evening there was serious danger of this arrangement being frustrated, as a member of the Legislature from Georgia, considered it a violation of the art 1 10 sec of the Constitution of the United States, which prohibits a State from entering into any treaty—but this formidable objection, we are inclined to learn, has been overruled by the Attorney General, who has clearly demonstrated that the contemplated treaty between Mr Peters and the State of Louisiana does not come within the purview of that section.

He shows that that prohibition, only applies to treaties with foreign States.

That Mr Peters cannot be considered a foreign citizen by being a resident of Louisiana, and in maintenance of this unquestionably correct view of the case, he cites instances of treaties made by the State of Georgia with Indian tribes, also by the State of New York with the Oneidas and Cayuga Indians, &c. &c.

The opening of the Attorney General we consider a good one indeed, and we trust it will administer a rebuke to the member from Georgia that he well deserves.

If this be true and we sincerely hope it is, we congratulate the people of the State of Louisiana on the amicable adjustment of the most unpleasant controversy—a controversy that has occupied so much of the time of their representatives for years, and has cost many thousands of dollars.

As to the people of the Second Ward, Second Municipality, we rely too much on their patriotism to suppose for a moment that they will object to be separated from their self-Sub-titan, when by so doing such important advantages will be secured to its entire citizens.

It is a matter of some regret to us that our statistics will not permit the publication in full of Mr. CALHOUN'S masterly speech on the Oregon question. In place, however, a somewhat complete synopsis of that remarkable effort we endeavored as closely as possible to furnish the leading views and principles upon which the distinguished statesman has taken a stand. It is difficult at any time to abridge Mr. CALHOUN'S speeches—they are such perfect specimens of the *oratium in parte*, such demonstrations of the power of interest to compress thought into the simplest, the strongest and the clearest language, that all attempts to reduce them into yet smaller dimensions prove comparatively unsuccessful. The sententious brevity of Mr CALHOUN'S oratorical displays, is not the merit of uttering short and striking sentences. It is something more, something higher and rarer. It is an innate power of consolidating ideas into a compact form, in which they lose nothing of their comprehensiveness and acquire tenfold force. Mr. CALHOUN'S style is eminently terse, epigrammatic and concise. His words are intended as vehicles of thought not as ornaments and appendages to eke out a slender stock of ideas, or surround them with brilliant and graceful garniture. Hence his eloquence is never full of mere tropes and figures—it is rather the result of the application of a strong mind and an ardent will to the solution of the questions before it. He does not lend the apprehension by the easy flow of induction and the graduated and syllogistic system of logic but rather forces to concurrence by rapid and resistless, though close and condensed reasoning. He is an intellectual *Athlete* and dashes down his opponents by strong and sudden efforts never floundering or stumbling in the arena.

Since the delivery of Mr CALHOUN'S speech, the interest in the deliberations of the Senate on the Oregon controversy wanes faint. Little more remains to be said. He has crowded together a world of thought within the half a dozen columns which embrace his speech and has left little that is original to his successors. Unless a WEBSTER or a CRITTENDEN—men who disdain to borrow even from so illustrious a source—should undertake the elucidation of the question—those who follow Mr CALHOUN must be content to tread paths which he has already traversed, and haply gather a few neglected flowers which in his hurried progress, their predecessor had not time to pluck.

The Giraffe Bill.

There is some hope that this iniquitous bill will not become a law in time to effect the coming election. Yesterday, on the final vote, the bill was lost by a majority of four—two locofoco members foreseeing its fate and voting with the whigs for the express purpose of moving a reconsideration to-day. Should this motion prevail the bill must come up de novo, and we trust its opponents will take care that through all its stages it shall be subjected to full and free discussion.

Thus far the friends of the bill have been driven from every pretext assumed by them, in its behalf, and if a remnant of justice be left with the dominant party we shall not despair of seeing it consigned to the oblivion from which it should never have been taken.

At the sale of Real Estate belonging to the succession of the late James H. Leverich, the following prices were paid for property:

Three lots on Tivoli Circle between Delord & Alexander streets,	$5,120 00
Eleven lots in the Square bounded by Nayades, Apollo, Erato and Thalia streets,	15,963 00
Five lots in the Square bounded by Nayades, Erytanea, Melpomene and Terpsichore streets,	4,430 00
Eleven lots in the Square bounded by Nayades, Erytanea, Thalia and Melpomene streets,	10,650 00
Thirty-six lots comprising the Square bounded by Apollo, Bachus, St. Andrew streets and Felicity Road,	24,565 00
Two lots in the Square bounded by St. Armand, St. Mary, St. Andrew and Belleguide streets, Lafayette,	1,320 00
Four lots in the Square bounded by St. Mary, St. Andrew, St. Astelie and Tamburner streets,	2,720 00

NEW WORK.—We are indebted to the publishers, through the politeness of J. B. Steel, No. 14 Camp street, for No. 9 of Appleton's Literary Miscellany, containing Guizot's History of the English Revolution of 1640, commonly called the Great Rebellion, translated by Mr. Hazlitt. This great work originally published in 1826, is now given to the public for the first time in an English dress. It is a chief d'œuvre of modern history, worthy the memorable epoch it describes, and the reputation of the distinguished author who penned it.

Norman's New Orleans and its Environs.—Our thanks are due B. M. Norman, No. 16 Chartres street, for a copy of this admirable map of the city, just finished by Henry Moellhausen, and is unquestionably the most complete and accurate plan of the city that exists. Strangers, such a chart is invaluable.

Congress.

In the SENATE on the 18th, on motion of Mr Semple, the Judiciary Committee were instructed to enquire into the expediency of reporting a bill for the better organization of the militia of the United States.

The resolution to print 35,000 copies of the annual report of the Commissioner of Patents was taken up and discussed for some time, and then laid aside.

The Senate then proceeded to the Special Order of the Day, and the Oregon debate was resumed. Mr. Archer addressed the Senate at length in opposition to the notice. He had heard a great deal said about *access*—but he was free to confess that he had not the *nerve* to plunge his country into a war, in which, from his station and age, it was not probable he would take a share of the fighting. He would not indulge in any of the *cheap* patriotism which had become so common. Mr. Archer continued in this style for some time and then went in the question of title, to show that it is good to 49° and no farther, and that it is our duty to compromise on that line.

Mr Niles next had the floor, and the Senate went into Executive Session.

In the HOUSE, a report of the Committee of the Whole, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the bill regulating mileage, was taken up and discussed for some time, and then it formally laid aside.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the River and Harbor Bill. A large number of amendments were offered and rejected—amongst others, one by Mr. Culver of N. Y., appropriating $5,000 for improving the navigation of that branch of *Salt River* which runs through New Hampshire!

Mr Fries of Ohio, offered an amendment in the following words

"Fifty thousand dollars for the Beech and *Schenck* Subterranean Rail Road," on which to convey their *odoriferous* friends from Kentucky to Canada.

This amendment led to great confusion and quarrelling, and may perhaps induce a personal difficulty between Messrs. Schenck and Fries. It was rejected.

The House then voted upon several other amendments and without acting definitively on the bill adjourned.

Mexico.

We are indebted to the editors of *La Patria* for files of Vera Cruz papers, received by the *Water Witch*, of no later date, however, than those received by the *Orizava*.

General Francisco Pacheco has been appointed Governor of Guanajuato, during the temporary absence of Don Juan B. Morales.

The Condesa, from Guanajuato to Vera Cruz, left the month of February, carried $512,308. No Coin left in January.

The Departments of Tamaulipas, Yucatecas and San Luis de Potosi, were perfectly tranquility

HAIL STORM.—Captain Lawless of the steam-schooner *James Cage*, states that he experienced a very severe hail storm on the evening of the 24th inst off Ship Island, which covered his deck to the depth of six inches with hail stones the size of Pigeons eggs. The window glass in the stern of the schooner was broken. The storm lasted about four hours, and was the most severe of the kind that Capt L. had ever witnessed in the Gulf.

The following paragraphs will give some idea of the extent of the late freshet in the middle and northern States:—

CONNECTICUT RIVER.—The recent rains and melting snows have very much swollen the river. The rise of the above and below the city, moved down on Saturday. On Sunday morning early, the water was filled with ice which came probably from above Bellows Falls. During the rains and since, there have been very sudden ranges and falls of the river, sometimes of several feet in an hour.—*Hartford Courant 17th.*

THE STORM.—We had a hard southeast rain storm last night, which continued through this forenoon.

The river is rising, and the ice moving.—*New Haven Herald.*

The *New Haven Courier* says:—

"The break in the Canal was really no break at all. The flow of water was so great, that the Canal proper could not carry it all off, and it necessarily flowed over a section of the Basin. It was all repaired in a short time after the rain subsided.

FRESHET IN WEST JERSEY.—The Delaware river was high over its banks on Sunday, so that the Vineland train, after running from Burlington to Borden town, through two or three feet water on the track, declined proceeding up to Trenton and came over the Amboy track to South Amboy, where they proceeded to the Raritan canal down from New Brunswick and took them on board, arriving here on Monday 11 A. M.

FRESHET IN HARTFORD.—A very serious freshet occurred on the Merrimack and Little Rivers in Haverhill, on Sunday night, between eight and twelve o'clock. The waters of these rivers having become dammed up by huge piles of ice, rose to a height unprecedented within the recollection of the oldest inhabitant, and with fearful rapidity flooding the streets filling the lower stories of factories and houses, floating off workshops, barns and small buildings of various kinds, and carrying away Little Leaf, one of the finest bridges in the country, which had been erected from its foundation, and completely demolishing it.

At one time it seemed almost certain that the Haverhill bridge must be carried away by the freshet, and had the water continued to rise for a few minutes longer, that bridge and the Boston and Maine Railroad bridge must have been swept off. At one time the waters were as high as the second story of Hale's factory on Little River. When the cars left this morning, some of the streets were navigated in boats, although the water in the river was rapidly falling.—*Boston Journal*

☞ A correspondent of the Springfield Illinois *Register* says 4500 Mormons have already left Nauvoo some of them having gone to New York to take passage to California by sea. A large number of the Mormons have joined the new prophet Strange, and will form a community at Voree. Property at Nauvoo is offered for sale at less than half its value. A gentleman from St. Louis is about to take charge of the Nauvoo House, and the Methodists and Catholics will establish societies there.

FOOT RACE.—The second foot race between Jackson and Gildersleeve, at Charleston came off on the 20th inst. The track was in good order, and the course was crowded. The distance to be performed was ten miles and a half in the hour. They started at a tremendous pace, the first half mile being made *in two minutes and ten seconds*. Gildersleeve, however, broke down in the seventh mile, owing to a severe pain in his side. Jackson won the purse of $300, and the following statement is a correct account of the running of both men:

JACKSON'S TIME.			GILDERSLEEVE'S TIME.		
	min	sec		min	sec
Half a mile	2	10	Half a mile	2	20
1st mile and a half	7	25	1st mile and a half	7	53
2d "	"	12	58	2d "	"	13	52
3d "	"	18	30	3d "	"	20	00
4th "	"	24	30	4th "	"	26	10
5th "	"	30	30	5th "	"	32	47
6th "	"	36	00	6th "	"	39	57
7th "	"	41	53			Then stopt
8th "	"	47	45			
9th "	"	53	54			
10th "	"	59	35			
Total	50	35			
To spare		25			

☞ We learn from the *Jeffersonian* of yesterday, that the Senate have confirmed the nominations of Messrs. FELIX GARCIA and ARMAND MERCIER as Directors of the Draining Company.

PROFESSIONS AND TRADES IN NEW YORK.—It appears from a new directory of New York, that there are in that city, 955 lawyers; 604 physicians; 110 dentists; 660 commission merchants; 627 dry goods dealers; 1080 importers; 782 tailors; 280 milliners; 586 dress makers; 467 bakers; 650 boarding-house keepers; 1305 boot and shoe makers; 359 brokers; 824 carpenters; 516 butchers; 286 hair dressers; 804 porter houses, and 36 refectories. The journeymen and apprentices are not included.

HEARTLESS DESERTION.—A man named George E. Patterson, who married a lady named Hannah E. Williams, in Boston, about two years ago, deserted her and her child at Rochester, N Y. a few days since, carrying with him every article he possessed—even a miniature of himself which he had presented to his wife before marriage. The poor victim of this heartless man was ill at the time, and a few days after this act of perfidy she died. Strangers buried her and a kind lady received her babe.

FINANCES OF VIRGINIA.—The State Treasurer has given public notice that he is prepared to redeem $45,676 of the public debt. This is a most gratifying evidence of the sound financial condition of Virginia, and is the more to be commended as some of her sister States have failed to provide any means for the payment of even the interest on their debt.

☞ The city of Albany has suffered severely from a rise in the river, occasioned by the recent heavy rains. Hundreds of persons living on the edge of the water were hastily drowned out, and forced to seek refuge elsewhere. The amount of damage is not yet ascertained, but is supposed to be large.

THE HIGHEST RIVER ever.—We learn, says the N. Y. *Journal of Commerce*, from Mr. Beach, of the Northern Rail Line, that the river is open to Albany—The Columbia left here for that city, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

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City Intelligence.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—John D. Crawford, Ann Kavanaugh, William Brooks, and Denis Fagan, were yesterday arrested by the First Municipality police, on complaint of P. R. Stevens. It appears that the latter the night before last, between 8 and 9 o'clock, went into a beer shop in Conde street between Esplanade and Barrack streets and remained there about 15 or 30 minutes, during which time he drank and treated two or three times. Ann Kavanaugh who keeps the bar and the House, asked him to pass the night there with another woman who was in the bar room, which Mr. Stevens refused to do, though to whom, as she was represented to be a poor woman, he gave two or three dollars. In the act of taking the specie out of his pocket he exposed to the gaze of the bystanders several bank notes, and soon afterwards left the beer shop. He had not walked more than three or four squares when he was knocked down by two men, and a pocket book containing some papers, was violently taken from his coat pocket. He gave the alarm, the thieves ran off and the watchman came up. Stevens immediately requested the latter to go with him to the beer shop; on entering which he recognized a man named Dennis Fagan, who he believes was one of those who attacked him, and Fagan with the others were arrested.

REMANDED.—Edward Fitzgerald, who was accused of stealing a cost from Lawrence Armstrong, was examined before Recorder Genoux yesterday morning. Fitzgerald maintained his innocence, and wished either for an immediate trial or a commitment. His Honor stated that he must see Armstrong first, upon which the prisoner requested that he wished the coat to be kept in Court, "as well as this," and he taking a human skull from his hat, and handing it to one of the officers. The remains of "alas poor Yorick," were stowed away and the prisoner remanded. Although this case has assumed a *spirit* like character, we imagine it will only be an *empty* headed affair after all.

CRIMINAL COURT.—A Prado was yesterday tried for assault and battery, and found guilty. Catherine Harvey, accused of assault and battery, and John Kearney, accused of a rape on a child seven years old, were discharged under the following process: Watts, McDonald, William Thompson, George W. Davis, alias George Fisher, and James Adams, accused of larceny were arraigned and pleaded guilty.

ARRESTED.—Captain Youenes, yesterday afternoon, arrested a man named Richard Ross, on board the steamship Galveston, on the point of starting for Texas. Our readers may remember that about two years ago, several gamblers were arrested in the first municipality and committed to prison. On the day of trial, they were being conducted to the Criminal Court, when one of the party proposed stepping in to Dufour's Coffee House in Orleans street, to pour a little *liquor* into their wounded *spirits*. Leave being granted, they all stepped in with the exception of one, who was seen to mount a fleet and well caparisoned horse at the door, and dashed off at a rattling pace. That man escaped and that man was the prisoner.

Nothing was found on him yesterday, but a well filled purse of gold.

SUSPICIOUS.—We published the day before yesterday the card of John Youen, who was arrested accused of stealing a watch of a young man named Philpot. Since his arrest we find that the prisoner has other names, such as Bill Higgins, Roger Jack Downing, &c. He told officer Evans of the Second Municipality yesterday that he had deposited Philpot's watch as a pledge at a watchmaker's in the Second Municipality. The conversation of his speech of the preceeding day He maintained that the bill was unconstitutional, inexpedient and supremely unjust In the course of his remarks, which at times were exceedingly humorous, Mr Pike argued that the members seemed actuated by a blind hostility to Mr Peters—that they appeared to consider him a wild beast, a ferocious monster, a monstrosity to be hunted down and exterminated Now to the humble individual who has the honor of addressing you, who exhibit a bust of the gentleman So saying Mr Pike drew forth a droll and diminutive *statuette* of S J Peters, Esq and placed it on the Clerk's table amid the unrestrained hilarity of the House.

Mr TOOMEY followed, defending himself and friends from the charge of wishing to gerrymander the city, asserting that the bill was constitutional, and the members from the country districts were not actuated by any hostility towards Mr Peters

Mr EASTLAND read a speech, of which we could gather no idea whatever

Mr KELLY followed and fretted throug a speech redolent of democracy

Mr BULLITT administered a scathing rebuke to the Committee, showing that the democratic majority in that body had repudiated their own principles, the very bill reported by them, and given rise to the salutatory, because it presented political advantages more marked

Mr ORDEN of Rapides, intimated his intention to vote against the bill, believing that it would be unjust and produce the effect of a gerrymander

The discussion was maintained some time longer, Mr LEA protesting that the bill was just politically that it could produce no permanent injury

Mr SMITH closed the debate, by exhibiting a map of the Third District, shewing how perfect the gerrymander had been.

On the final passage of the bill the vote stood 32 to 36. So the bill was REJECTED Mr Theard immediately gave notice that he would move a reconsideration the next day

On motion the House adjourned

Municipality No. One.

Report of the Finance Committee

The FINANCE Committee beg leave to submit their annual Report, with sundry documents thereto annexed, shewing the financial condition of this Municipality

The indebtedness of the Municipality is as follows

Bills payable on 1846	396,210 23
1847	135,791 40
1848	23,263 46
1849	21,333 00
1850	4,204 39
	$581,371 47
Bonds in favor of John McDonough, maturing in 1852, and bearing interest at 6 00 per annum, payable semi annually	247,000 00
Outstanding Municipal circulation	11,471 00
Certificates not one year past due and not claimed	300 00
Bonds at 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years	7,100 00
Total,	$847,142 47

The endorsements of the Municipality on the Bonds issued by the Orleans Navigation Company, amount to $200,000, and as among the liabilities of the Municipality have steadily been released by Judicial decisions from a considerable portion of those Bonds and should the suit against the Municipality in appeal before the Supreme Court, for the remaining portion of those Bonds be decided against the Municipality, it is confidently believed that the property mortgaged by the Navigation Company, will be sufficient to cover any loss arising from those endorsements

The available means of the Municipality, are as follows

Cash on hand, on the 28th February, 1846	16,989 09
Bills receivable maturing in the next 10 months	64,875 72
Capital of ground rent,	150,257 66
Capital of Parish Jail, bearing 6 00 interest	94,866 68
Interest due,	26,936 71
Real Estate as per schedule annexed,	147,050 00
Real Estate, sold in January last, and not yet settled for	44,991 00
Due by Municipality No 3, for disbursement of taxes on Drays, Carts, &c. about	21,000 00
Bills receivable, protested, bearing mortgaged on property sold by the Municipality several years since, amounting to $253,264 67, of which it was presumed, by the legal process, there can be realised a sum of	50,000 00
Total,	$616,965 26

Documents No. 2 and 3, contain detailed statements of the receipts and disbursements of the Municipality, during the 12 months ending on the 28th February last, and will no doubt engage your attentive consideration.

Document No. 4, is an approximate estimate of the receipts and disbursements of the Municipality, during the 12 months, commencing on the 1st March instant, by which it is supposed that the receipts will amount to $263,741 96

While the expenditures will not exceed 340,883 52

Showing a surplus at the end of the fiscal year, $12,908 44

To which is to be added cash on hand 28th February last, $17,986 19

Together, $29,896 63

In comparing the approximate estimate of receipts and expenditures, for the year just commencing, with the actual receipts and expenditures of the year just ended, as detailed in documents No. 2 and 3, it will be perceived that in estimating the surplus to accrue at the end of the year, the Committee have made the most liberal allowance for unpaid disbursements, whilst they estimated the receipts on a very low basis.

Document No. 5, exhibit a general balance from the books of both Treasury Departments, from the 1st June 1836, to the 28th February last, embracing the whole period of the existence of this Municipality, and a Democratic one.

Document No. 6, a statement of the sums of money actually collected from different sources and expended in various branches of the public service during the same period, from which can be gathered much valuable information, which may lead to the suggestion of further economy in our Municipal administration.

By the brief review of the financial condition of this Municipality, your attention will be naturally directed to the increase of $36,695 33 in the debt of the Municipality within the last twelve months—the increase, however, it is proper to remark, is not due to the departure from the rule of economy which of late years has been introduced into our municipal administration; on the contrary, the sense policy of economy in the general expenditures of the city has been strictly adhered to by the present Council but the augmentation of our debt has been occasioned by appropriations of money for the use of lengthen additional revenue into the municipal treasury; thus the amount appropriated during the last January, 1846. Mr. Lea has further stated that he had been informed by the Proprietors of the Jeffersonian that they could not afford to print the entire proceedings from the above date, at the old prices, and that a proper fee bill were adopted, they would do so.

[illegible] further observed by Messrs. [illegible] that the Legislature [illegible] the Parish of Jefferson [illegible] Municipality [illegible] Municipality [illegible] Municipality