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The Mail failed yesterday from Charleston.

SPEAKING OUT.

It is necessary to maintain parties in strict organization, without clearly defined and distinguishing principles. The present period of our history is of that character. The Democratic party is powerful and predominant in the nation, because it is essentially a unit upon a single principle of action. Hence we have a Democracy in the North asserting views that would not for a moment be sanctioned by the people of the South, whilst the leading men of the latter on many points would be repudiated by the former. To this remark, look at the conduct of the Democratic presses with respect to the Kansas policy. Prior to the inauguration of Mr. BUCHANAN, the Central American question was vehemently attacked by a large number of Democratic journals of the North, as it was pronounced a violation of the Monroe doctrine, a blow at American rights, an entangling alliance, &c. The authors were branded with as many opprobrious epithets as could be found in the copious vocabulary of Democratic denunciation. Possibly had these journals acted with prescience, they would have stifled their wrath, and suppressed their intent. They could not, however, foresee that the Senate, instead of remaining out of doors, would take the treaty, examine it, amend it in one or more important particulars, ratify it, and send it to Mr. BUCHANAN, who, in his wisdom, approved it and dispatch it to the Central American government. Nevertheless, been done, and we have the right that Great Britain will be true to the treaty, and will readily accede to its stipulations.

Such was the time when the Democratic party ought to maintain broadly and boldly the policy of an administration which had the unanimity no longer existing. The most important element in our foreign relations—that of a large number of administration Democrats—was the result at the conduct of the President. Take, for example, Pennsylvania, a sheet high in the councils of the Democracy—and peruse the messages from one of its articles:

[illegible] of the Dallas Clarendon treaty has been transmitted to the Special Messenger, has failed to [illegible] provisions are such as to [illegible] relation of the neutrality of the United States. The amendments to the treaty those objections [illegible] Clarendon Bulwer Patterson will the [illegible] pending all "entangling alliances with foreign kingdoms" nor do we [illegible] to acquisition to the American people who [illegible] constitutes the [illegible] treaties with [illegible] foreign nation re[illegible] this continent, can be [illegible]

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We Agree with the Pica[illegible]te of the Clarendon Bul[illegible] is confined to the United States [illegible] is virtual acknowledgment of Great Britain to medd[illegible] this continent. We are [illegible] backed in our opposition [illegible] authority as entirely [illegible]

[illegible] This delicious opera will [illegible] at the Orleans Theatre [illegible] a week in Italian. [illegible] to enjoy their fill of [illegible] music. By the way, we [illegible] strange that the Italian [illegible] seem to not more [illegible] The artists composing [illegible] are very decided merit, the [illegible] and the general execu[illegible] compositions represented [illegible] the warmest approba[illegible] to question New Or[illegible] opera continues to [illegible]

[illegible] Mexican Affairs.—We have the [illegible] the arrival in our [illegible] Barnum, the colo[illegible] of Sophronia Claudina [illegible] and much both of whom are [illegible] opera troupe at [illegible] and will shortly make their [illegible] New Orleans public[illegible]

[illegible] a very beautiful [illegible] which report speaks [illegible] the world's ice and accom[illegible] Crescent.

[illegible] Fisk and Water proof [illegible] that it is the public's direct[illegible] advertisement in our columns [illegible] the durability and utility [illegible] roofing. The materials [illegible] are felt, composi[illegible] and their combination [illegible] that does not crack, is [illegible] fire and water, [illegible] changes of temperature [illegible] the taste of water passing [illegible] repaired, and costs much [illegible] proof now in use. Full [illegible] ing the material for roof[illegible] application to Thos. [illegible] No 101, Mechanics' [illegible] Charles street. See [illegible]

[illegible] and Real Estate. [illegible] has not without any [illegible] Florida. Of the St. Louis Ho[illegible] three story br k stores, [illegible] corner of Conti street, near the [illegible] and house on Royal street; [illegible] Dauphine street; lot and [illegible] street; lot and house on [illegible] seventy six by building [illegible] Custom-house Canal. Com[illegible] Water Mrs. Tonti, [illegible] Bienville streets, and sup[illegible] Bellevue. Terms liberal. [illegible] Mr. sundry slaves, [illegible]

New Orleans Railroad.—In two or three [illegible] the Jackson Flag of the Union, the [illegible] run regularly to Brookhaven—[illegible] in one day, and 60 miles from Jack[illegible] them receive our daily city [illegible] 24 hours. We learn by a [illegible] has just come up the line [illegible] the remainder of the work is being [illegible] with great vigor. It is thought [illegible] push the road might be [illegible] January next; but it seems to us [illegible] street to be desired, either by [illegible] the public. The passage of [illegible] trains, in the rains and floods [illegible] over an entirely new road, [illegible] accidents, delays and enor[illegible] If the line is opened in the [illegible] road, so to speak, will be [illegible] during the summer, and the motive [illegible] of the rolling stock may be amply [illegible] the winter's business.

The Natchitoches *Chronicle* says:

[illegible] several frosts of Monday and Tuesday [illegible] have not proved very destructive in [illegible] part of the State. The cotton that was up [illegible] of the corn is entirely cut down, but [illegible] come again, except that which [illegible] the earliest are almost ruined. [illegible] is not almost entirely destroyed. We [illegible] that many planters are without cotton seed to plant over again.

LATER FROM HAVANA.

By the arrival of the *Quaker City*, at Mobile, we have received papers from HAVANA to the 12th instant, inclusive.

Good Friday was observed at HAVANA with the usual religious solemnities.

Mr. Godard was about making a grand balloon ascension. The papers hope it will prove more successful than the previous attempts of the intrepid aeronaut.

The Havana papers are filled with religious poetry commemorative of Passion week.

A Frenchman named Domingo Bengand was killed, a few days ago, by blows inflicted on his head with a hammer by a negro, whom he had chastised for impertinence. The slave, after knocking his master down, plunged a knife into his body. He was arrested after a desperate resistance, in which he received many wounds.

GOING IT BLIND.—The Joint Legislative Committee at Albany on the Dred Scott case have just submitted a long and windy report, composed in bad style, dictated by worse taste, and animated by a malicious temper. It is principally made up of a series of sophomorical tirades against the Supreme Court, which are unworthy of the Committee—which is composed of gentlemen, most of whom are lawyers—and disgraceful to the House which receives them without a rebuke.

Appended to this pyrotechnic display of green epithets against the Supreme Court, are a series of resolutions, declaring, in substance, that the State will not allow slavery within her borders under any circumstances or pretext—that the Supreme Court has lost the confidence of the people, and that a copy of the resolutions be sent to the respective Governors of the States of the Union. Then comes "An Act to secure Freedom to all persons within this State," which provides that no person shall be deprived of citizenship on account of African blood: that slaves brought by their masters or coming involuntarily to the State shall be free, and making it felony for any person to attempt to hold a slave under such circumstances.

The above is from the New York *Mirror*, which, though it finds the Dred Scott decision rather unpalatable, says: "We can never approve of this defiant and insolent tone to the federal government. Simply as words having no binding force, the report with the resolutions and act annexed are ridiculous and not worth the paper on which they are written; if intended to defy and nullify the federal government, they are treasonable, and the committee can take either horn of the dilemma which they think is the least unprincipled.

LOST HIS REASON.—It is a conclusion that most men of reflection and common sense have already arrived at, but it may nevertheless be worth while to mention, by way of "corroborative testimony," that the New York *Observer* says it is hinted in private circles that the Rev. G. B. Cheever, who has been railing so furiously in regard to the late decision of the United States Supreme Court, has lost his reason, and that he, so far as the "slavery question" is concerned, has become a monomaniac.

PERFUMES.—The passion for perfumes, says a Parisian correspondent, increases both in England and France. British India and Europe consume about 150,000 gallons of handkerchief odors yearly; and the English revenue from *Eau de Cologne* is about 8,000 pounds sterling a year. The total revenue from imported perfumes in England is estimated at about 40,000 pounds per annum. The largest revenues of the estates on the borders of the Mediterranean are those which proceed from the sale of the orange blossoms and Parma violets. The house of Paguer, 83 rue de Richelieu, and many of the other perfumers of Paris, pay a yearly sum, varying from 10,000 to 30,000 francs, to the proprietors for the rental of their orange blossoms or violets. The *Jouvs du cirmonde* of Paguer is one of the favorite and most delightful odors used for scenting the pocket-handkerchief.

The New York correspondent of the Charleston *Courier* furnishes that paper the subjoined items:

Ole Bul the violinist, is again in trouble, and in the courts. Another of his creditors, holding an execution against his effects, put him before the judge to make him disgorge some of his property. Ole Bull acknowledged that his musical and financial companion was not worth about $3000. He was, however, discharged, but the court intimated that if he had any intention of leaving the country his creditors could cause all his valuables to be sold. Ole Bull says he intends making a visit to Norway, but denies that he will give up his citizenship in this country. It is a rumor that this distinguished artist is not so poor as he pretends, he having remitted to his friends in Norway the sum of $5,000.

The latest gossip with reference to John Dean and "his own Mary Ann" is corroborated. The ex-schoolman goes to Utica to attend school for one year. Mr. Boker makes him an annual allowance of $700. Miss Boker resides still in the city, but not with her husband. There are other additions to the list of lyrical effusions celebrating the unfortunate attachment of John Dean and his own Mary Ann. One is set to the admired tune of "Boot Hog or Die."

WEATHER AND CROPS.—The Morehouse (La.) *Advocate* has the following:

We doubt whether that old and much respected personage, the "oldest inhabitant," of this ranche has ever experienced as cold and disagreeable weather as the fourteen days of Bastrop have been visited with within the past week. Last Saturday evening the flood gates of heaven were opened, and the rain poured down in torrents during the whole afternoon. The following day, about 9 or 10 o'clock A. M., we were visited with hessan blasts, hail, snow and Greenland sunshine.

We are truly sorry for the good people of our parish, and more particularly for the planters, who had corn and cotton up before the cold spell, inasmuch as they will have to plant over again. The season being already far advanced, we fear that the chilling effect, failure of the crops, unless we have a most propitious season from now on. About a fortnight or two weeks ago we were delighted that a large number of our farmers not only planted corn but cotton also, and we were told that the most of it came up and looked very promising, but it has all been cut down, and the same labor will have to be done over again. The fruit, too, has all been destroyed. What are we all going to do for "preserves" this year?

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By Telegraph.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

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CHICAGO, April 17.—After the destruction of the settlement at Spirit Lake, the Sioux attacked the town of Springfield, in Southern Minnesota, but were repulsed, with the loss of ten or twelve of their band.

A detachment of one hundred United States troops pursued them, but were compelled to return for want of provisions.

LATER FROM SANTA FE.

ST. LOUIS, April 17.—Our advices from Santa Fe are to the 15th ult. Considerable excitement had been occasioned by a collision between a Mexican named Gruber and a soldier. Gruber shot the soldier, and gave himself up to the authorities. A party of soldiers afterwards entered the jail where he was confined, and killed him and another prisoner.

WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—A Mr. Sayers committed an assault to-day on George B. Herrick, because of certain comments contained in a letter of the latter's to the New York *Herald*, in regard to the connection of Assistant Secretary Clayton with the payment of Thompson's Isle of Pines claim. Sayers's wife is a relative of Clayton's.

Denson entered to-day upon his duties as Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Flour is heavy; Southern is unchanged; Wheat firm; Corn steady at 71 cents; Mess Pork at $22 50; Beef steady; Lard heavy; Whisky 27½ cents.—Stocks are lower. The money market is tighter.

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THE RIVER.

LOUISVILLE, April 17.—The river is about at a stand, with six feet nine inches on the falls, and nine feet three inches in the canal.

SNOW-STORM.

LOUISVILLE, April 17, 2:30 P. M.—It is snowing fast. The mercury stands at 33.

THE SNOW-STORM AT LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, April 17, 9 P. M.—The snow continued to fall during the whole afternoon, measuring about four inches on a level. It is now melting and turning to rain. The mercury stands at 37°.

NEW YORK, April 17, 6 P. M.—Cotton closed steady, with sales to-day of 1800 bales. Buyers demand a reduction. Flour is firm.—Sales 8½ bbls. Ohio at $5 10 to $5 20; Southern $5 25 to $6 50. Southern White Wheat sells at $1 42. Mixed Corn is quoted at 71½c. Eastern Mess Pork is $19 75 to $22 25—a decline. Cuba Molasses 32c. to 33c. Money is slightly more stringent. Sterling Exchange is firm.

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From Key West.

KEY WEST, April 10, 1857.—We learn that Messrs. Bowne & Curry, ship-builders of this city, are about to lay the keels of two schooners, one of 180 tons and another of less dimensions. They have been designed and will be built by Joseph Barlum, Esq., the constructor of the clipper ship *Stephen R. Mallory*, who has evinced rare ability and successful in planning swift sailing vessels. We have seen the models of these schooners, and they present to the eye curves and lines of beautiful shape and proportion.

Bowne & Curry, during the past winter, lost, by fire, their pilot boat *Isabella*—a vessel of 136 tons—said to have been the fastest vessel in southern waters. She was burned in the water's edge, while moored loaded and lying alongside of the British ship Cyrus. About six feet in depth of her woodwork was left uninjured by the flames. This is being raised, and will be put down in their yard, where they will rebuild her, and thus preserve her almost faultless model.

In the wrecking line, little has been accomplished by the Florida wreckers the winter past. Since my last report no vessel has received assistance.

The ship *Empress*, from New Orleans for Liverpool, on the 30th March, was ashore a short time, forty miles East of this place. She, however, got off without taking the aid of the wreckers, and, uninjured, proceeded on her voyage.

The ship *Rome*, of Charleston, McKenzie master, sailed the 8th inst. with the dry cotton saved from the British ship *Crown*, for Liverpool. She succeeded in getting a crew at this place.

The brig *James B. Gaege*, Capt. Atwill, for the Caribbean Sea, with a full cargo of guano, arrived 3d inst., bound for Baltimore. Came in for water and provisions.

The bark *San Jacinto*, Capt. Cram from Boston, for Galveston, passed Sand Key the 5th inst.

The bark *George Thomas*, Ireland, arrived from New York the 4th inst. She had a full cargo for this port.

The *H. L. Rodgers*, Delano, has discharged and sailed for Fort Jefferson.

By the steamship *Tennessee*, just arrived from San Juan and Aspinwall, we learn that Col. Lockridge has abandoned Castillo. Terapaqua and the Main Army retain its complete possession of the Costa Ricans.

A dreadful explosion had taken place on board the steamer *J. W. Scott*, by which sixty persons had lost their lives.

No California boat had connected with the *Tennessee*.

The *Tennessee* will coal this evening and sail for New York.—*Charleston Mercury*.

PHILOPENA.—We believe this pleasant amusement for boys and girls, and sometimes those of more mature age, originated in Germany, where it is called *wet kuchen*, which, as it is spoken, is like *philopena*. Whatever it may have been the origin of our word, to which we have given a Latin termination—perhaps because of the Latin penalty or forfeiture exacted or won by the skill or management of the winning party. With us the thing is managed, however, excessively clumsy, and quite without skill. A pancake in company chances to find a double-nested almond, and hands half the meat to another, and says, or rather should say: "Will you eat a philopena with me?" The other may say, "I am afraid;" and refuse, or may accept one of the halves, and that at the same time the challenging party eats the other. Thus they separate; and when they meet again, the party that can think to say "philopena" first to the other has the good luck to get a right to name what it shall be—generally, among children, some trifle; or among young folks, a present; and the sport and the condition of the parties. Thus, a young lady who wins a philopena of a gentleman may immediately add, "I wear No. 6½ kids." If the parties meet in the street, the lady may say, "Oh, yes: I see you notice that my parasol is getting old. Well, then, I accept." But the gentleman must never allude to her want of an article, but exercise his judgment as to what would be acceptable. Generally, in our hot haste to win philopenas, we forget propriety, and become victims to the land of thrift and hurry. The thing is far better and more pleasantly managed in Germany, and calls into exercise some of the most useful faculties of the mind. When a sonspimenest the next time after having eaten philopenas together, no advances is taken of the other until one of them pronounces the word "philopena." This is the warning that now the sport is to begin. Let us suppose that a gentleman calls upon a lady; she invites him to walk in, but at the same time speaks the talismanic word. If he accepts the offer to walk in, he is done, unless she removes the case by talking him to go away. If she asks him to take off his hat, he must resolutely keep it on; if to be seated, he must stand; or if at table she should hand him any article which he accepts, she wins the forfeit. At the same time he is assigning to catch her off her guard—for the first anticipations of any offer from the other ends the game. Both are constantly exercising their wits to prevent being caught, and the sport often goes on all the evening. Perhaps the gentleman brings a little present, and says: "Knowing that I should lose my philopena, I have brought it along—here it is." He thought of her guard by this smooth speech. She says, for he manifestly cannot forbear. If neither wins at the first meeting, the sport is continued at the second; and it may happen that half a dozen parties meet pretty often in this all enlivening game, and "philopena" becomes a term of endearment. How profitable is this German play in our own! And as the sport derived from philopena is very much stopped and spoiled, we commend it to the "young fellers" of all America."—*Tribune*.

A GENTLE, PEANUT SUPPER.—In a case lately tried in London, a street sweeper named Kneall was summoned as a witness. A check was shown to him for identification, when he carefully inspected it, with a good eye-glass. In regard to this examination employ-of-wealth, a London paper remarks:

The "gentleman with an eye-glass" is a favorite figure in the "Comic Almanac." Magnificent tales have ever been told of the marvelous memory to which the humble and unlettered man has attained, who, in this country has supplemented profession and trade with the newspaper-reading profession and the pursuit of agricultural. If we remember right, Napoleon's "old grumbler" frequently appeared to have learned the whole of grand tactical combinations and considerations of time, and to have reached to a grandeur with the mind in the days of more glorious war than the last fortunate pensioner of the Emperor can recall to mind at luxurious supper tables, and for length before their envious friends. The present, too, has all been destroyed. What are we all going to do for "preserves" this year?

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FROM TEXAS.

We received last evening Galveston papers to the 16th inst., through Jones & Co.'s Texas Express. We extract from them the following items:

The *Civilian* states that Hon. Wm. Fields declines being constructed a candidate for the gubernatorial chair. A preference has been expressed for him for the office in several quarters, and especially in his own county of Liberty.

Sugar in the depth of an inch fell at Liberty on the night of the 15th. A severe frost was visited at that region, and it is feared that great injury has again been done to the young crops, which were just recovering from the effects of the frost on the 5th.

We learn from the Telegraph that snow fell within twenty-five miles of Houston on the 12th inst.

SHOOTING.—The Liberty *Gazette* learns from the Woodville mail-rider that Capt. Sam'l Rowe shot and instantly killed P. W. McDaniel, Esq., in Livingston, on Friday last. Capt. Rowe was immediately arrested, and, after an examination, pleaded under the conduct of about forty men, to be conveyed to Grimes county and tried there.

CROPS IN EASTERN TEXAS.—The Nacogdoches *Chronicle*, of the 7th inst., says:

We were visited by a severe Norther on Sunday, and had a hard freeze on Sunday night. Everything green thing out was killed, and some that warn't out. The growing corn crop was nearly all done for.

Two persons confined in the county jail at Austin effected their escape last week by knocking an aperture through the wall with a brickbat.

A new post-office has been established at Parkersville, Anderson county, Texas.—P. Ward, Postmaster.

The *Baby Pascal* arrived from Liberty at 8, P. M., on Wednesday, the 15th, and reports the river very low, and a large number of wagons engaged hauling freight from that point to the interior.

The dwelling-house of Col. W. D. C. Hall, situated on Galveston island, about fourteen miles to the Westward of the city, was entirely consumed by fire on the 14th instant, together with nearly all his furniture.

FARE-LOVERS CONVERTED TO CATHOLICISM.—We learn from the *Catholic Telegraph and Advocate*, of the 4th inst., that Dr. M. A. Nichols and Mary Gove Nichols, of "Free Love" notoriety, were baptized on last Sunday afternoon, in St. Xavier Church, Fourth street, Cincinnati, by Rev. Father Oakey, Rector of the College, having been duly converted to the Catholic faith. We there last week by a daughter of Mrs. Nichols by a former husband, and a Miss Hopkins, of the Free Love Water Cure Springs institution.

From the following paragraph in the Telegraph it appears that the spirits were the instruments that effected these wonderful conversions:

"It is not a little remarkable that on either side of the Atlantic, at the same time, the spiritists have undertaken to advocate, Mr. Hume at Paris, and Dr. Nichols and family here, to seek salvation through the church. If they have any good spirits, we can easily see the motives of this advice: if bad ones, they are like those who went out of the possessed, as we read in the Gospel, confessing Jesus Christ."

Dr. Nichols, in the name of himself and wife, has written a retraction of his Free Love and Infidel views, which he sent to Archbishop Purcell, which is printed. The gist of the document is in the paragraph following:

"In the infinite mercy of Almighty God we have been led, by what has seemed to us the direct and miraculous interposition of the Holy Spirit, and by the blessed teachings of St. Ignatius Loyola and St. Francis Xavier, to the renunciation of infidelity, and to the reception of the faith of the Catholic Church. In deep humility and contrition we submit ourselves to her divine order, we accept her doctrines as our own, and abjure and condemn what she condemns. Whatever, in our writings and teachings, as in our lives, has been at variance with the holiness, morality and discipline of the Holy Catholic Church, we wish to retract and repudiate, and, were it possible, to undo it."

City Intelligence.

THE ARCHBISHOP.—*Miss Jennie's Benefit.*—This pretty young *chanteuse* of the Marsh Juvenile takes a benefit at the Amphitheatre this evening, on which occasion, besides two dances by herself, there will be produced the pantomimic drama of "Jack Sheppard," and a "grand ballet." Miss Jennie's dancing of itself is an attraction that should draw a crowded house, independent of the capital bill which is promised. The same performance to-day should also be borne in mind.

CHARITY HOSPITAL.—The following is the report of this institution for the week ending last evening, April 17, at 6 o'clock:

Admissions	140
Discharges	131
Deaths	12
Remaining	666

INQUESTS.—An inquest was held yester day at the house of Mr. Hennessy, on Girod street, between Camp and Carondelet, on the body of Mary Ann Hennessy, a native of Ireland, aged 2 years and 6 months, who died from the effects of burns received by her clothes taking fire from a candle. Verdict accordingly.

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Another inquest was held on the body of John Sutter, a boy 2 years of age, born in this State, and found in a house, corner of Gayoso and Magazine streets, in the rear of the Lafayette Engine House. He had been taken a few days before to another child's funeral, which may have had some effect on his mind.

Another inquest was held on the body of Sam'l J. Belanger, found dead at his residence, on Bayou St. John, corner of Grand street. Deceased was a native of South Carolina, 39 years of age, and acted as the Assistant Assessor for 3d—other causes may have rendered to his death.

ACCIDENT.—Mary Kearney was taken to the County Hospital yesterday, very severely burned from the explosion of a lamp filled with fluid, in her house corner of Old Levee and Ursulines streets.

RECORDER FARMI'S COURT.—A. Besaud was yesterday held to bail by the Recorder to answer to the complaint of Mrs. L. Lenud, of her wife's paraphernal property, to the amount of $1,000.

Rev. Frederick Zaben was also held to bail to answer, in charge of Vagrancy, and, being unable to procure bail, was committed to prison.

Before leaving the Court-House yesterday, the Recorder fined Wm. Bain, while asleep on Perdido street, $5, his counsel was a mere matter of form, the evidence against him being positively criminating.

Lindsay Wortman was committed for trial before the Criminal Court, on a charge of having grossly assaulted and robbed Wm. Bain, while asleep. Wortman was fined $10 for her share in the spirited affair.

Frances Williams, f. w. c., was also committed for trial on a charge of having feonicated in the same row with Wortman, and was unable to find bail.

Benjamin Sweeny was held to bail to answer on a charge of criminally poisoning the minds and affections of Mrs. Ann Sweeny, wife of the defendant, to the injury of Wm. A. Whitfield. It is said Mr. Sweeny's behalf that the charges were said Levy. As for plaintiffs at Mr. S's agent, that he died in a few days afterwards, and that he holds the money in accordance of the preliminary action usually resulting in such cases.

Recorder Bolomon's Court.—Sigl. Forbes and Wm. Sweeny were arrested for the larceny of Sweeny Hussey, who was shot on the 26th ult., at Sweeny's office-house, No. 13 Victory street. Doctor Dowling and Hussey, Esq., testified to the shooting and larceny. Forbes, the principal in the charge, was held to bail in the sum of $2,000, and Sweeny, on the finding of the Coroner's jury of acquittal. The circumstantial evidence, however, was very strong against Sweeny, and he was held to bail in the same amount. Forbes, to take his chance for examination. It was a bad case for both, as the testimony could not be controverted. Both are also charged with the murder of the deceased, and will be examined on the double bill, was yesterday. The alleged were remanded to await the Recorder's decision.

Effect Once After the Physicians had Failed.

BURKEVILLE, Cass, Jan. 19, 1856.

Dr. C. M. JACKSON—Dear Sir: "We would inform you that we are out of Hoofland's German Bitters, which went with ready sale. One of our neighbors was badly dodging for some time, (we think six or seven years,) with *all the doctors to the country*, and of no avail. He looked as much like a dead man picking about as anything we can compare him to. He *thought* appeared to be an *overpowering of the part*, until Bard persuasion we prevailing on him to try some of your medicine, with the promise to him if it did not good, he would charge him nothing. He purchased his bottle and bottles, according to the directions, which he has done, and is now entirely cured, and has become a well man. This case has created a great sensation in this neighborhood."

Yours, &c., JOHN PHILLIPS.

For sale by all Druggists. [apr18 1m fair one

DR. HORACE H. CHURCHILL.—The most brilliant success seems to have attended the presence of this celebrated British Physician upon his sojourn in Cincinnati. His most fashionable mode of dropping in, occasion, from private residence, and ought, are treated by the same. The cures he has now published in his "Gentlemen Physician," constitute a complete, and undeniably upon the basis, and all of the most eminent physicians of the country, and of the world, have given evidence of the efficacy of the remedies employed by this gentleman, and of the wonderful success which has attended his practice. The work is published by the author, and may be had of him at his office, corner of Fifth and Walnut streets, Cincinnati, or of any of the agents.

Advertisements.

NOTICE.

THE DIRECTORS of the ——— INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ORLEANS have prepared a plan for the organization of certain branch offices for the transaction of fire business in the city of New Orleans, and have appointed SATURDAY, the 25th inst., from 10 o'clock A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., at the office of Messrs. [illegible] & Co., Carondelet street, for the purpose of receiving the names of persons who may desire to become stockholders in the said branch offices.

THOS. H. HILL,
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THE best machine in use. Will cut fifty acres of grass in one day. Can be seen in operation in the rear of the Bee office, Camp street. Also, a machine for cutting corn and cane stalks, which will be sold low for cash. Apply to the subscriber, at Gardner's Livery Stables, on the Metairie Ridge, where it may be seen in operation every day. Orders left at the office of the Bee will be promptly attended to. LEWIS GARDNER.

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Corner of Poydras and Bienville Streets.

50 PAIRS of Ladies' Gaiters, at 50 cents per pair, W. W. Harrison, Importer, apl8 3t 97 Bienville st.

Notice.

ON Saturday, the 18th instant, there will be sold at Public Auction, at the Exchange, by order of Capt. Wm. Hyde, Sheriff of the Parish of Orleans, the following property, to wit:

The Steamboat *Ben Johnson*, her engines, boilers, tackle, apparel and furniture, now lying at the foot of Canal street, a LIBERTY GOLD WATCH and CHAIN, a horse and wagon, and also, the interest of the said Hyde in the steamboat *Ben Johnson*, and in the vessel's cargo, now on board.

Terms cash. For further information, apply to the undersigned.

LEWIS GARDNER,
Sheriff's Office, Parish of Orleans, April 16, 1857.
apl8 3t Deputy Sheriff.

HATS—HATS.

Extensive assortment of Gentlemen's and Children's HATS, for sale at the lowest prices, at the Hat and Cap Store, at the corner of Bienville and Bourbon streets.

J. J. ALBERT,
Sole Agent for Country Trade.

FOR THE CITY OF MEMPHIS.

The fine and fast sailing steamer *Ben Johnson*, Capt. Wm. Hyde, will leave for the above port on Monday, April 20, at 10 o'clock A. M. For freight or passage, apply on board, or to

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