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Sales at Auction To-Day.

By E. T. Montgomery, at 10 o'clock, at Park 30, Third District, number.
By D. E. Murphy, at 10 o'clock, at Union Warehouse, candles.
By McCoren & Landry, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 229, Canal street, furniture.

See our second page for auction and sheriff's sales and other important notices.

BELLOWS'S PILLS AND OINTMENT—For Scurvution, dysentery, purple sore throat, quinsy, croup, and all kindred local affections, these medicines prove a short order, holding the partial wreck in safety till nature quells the storm and the sinking frame is rescued. Sold everywhere.

The officers of steam-packet Meteor have our thanks for newspaper favors.

FLOUR AND LARD.—E. S. Koop, 62 Poydras street, has just received 350 tierces prime, best table rendered, lard, and 700 barrels Fagan's "Your Aunt" flour.

By our advertisements we see that Messrs McCorren & Landry will sell this day, at 10½ o'clock, the contents of a well furnished residence, corner of Canal and Basin streets.

News from Matamoros.

A FRENCH FLEET PREPARING TO ATTACK IT.

We read in last evening's *Era*:

We were shown this morning a private letter from an officer in our army, addressed at Fort Brown, which contained the following import and them of news: "There are nine French warships stationed off the mouth of the Rio Grande, and it is believed an attack will be made upon Matamoros." Our correspondent at Brownsville says that Cortinas, on the 7th inst., was preparing to march against the enemies of the Liberal Government, and if he is gone, Matamoros will be at the mercy of the French forces.

GOBBLED UP.—Charles Zeigler, formerly a shoemaker at Bayou Sara, lately a cotton speculator, was recently gobbled up in the vicinity of Bayou Sara, by guerrillas. Mr. Zeigler was often before caught by the guerrillas, and made his escape by bribing his guard from which it is feared that he will receive rough usage at the hands of the rebels. Mr. Zeigler had the office of ten thousand dollars about his person, a portion of which he pledged to our friend W. Otto, of Baton Rouge.—*N. O. Era*, 17th.

THE NEW SHERIFF.—Alfred Shaw, Esq., whose recent appointment by the Governor to the office of Sheriff of this parish was kindly noticed yesterday morning's *Era*, is too well and favorably known to most of our readers to require any laudatory notice. He is a young lawyer of great natural aptitude, to which his experience as an officer of the Courts, which position he has held for nearly five years, adds a practical knowledge of the duties. His long residence in New Orleans has made him intimately acquainted with the people and the forms of procedure in our Courts. He is, besides, a most courteous and affable gentleman, and will be admirably qualified to temper the severity of his official duties with the personal amenities that go far to reconcile the most unsavory visitors of a sojourn to their hapless condition. We congratulate our citizens upon his appointment.—*Era*, 17th.

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Vendouvis.—At the fire on Conti street, near Villery street, on the premises of Mr. Bonnin, the police found under a bedstead a cylindrical rock, with a fuse in it, a gentleman's undergarment, with a candle on each side of the rocker. A number of small candles, it was said, surrounded this threatening symbol.

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Inquest.—A printer, J. C. Whitaker, died yesterday without the aid of a physician. An empty phial of laudanum lead to a suspicion of suicide, when others thought he improperly used laudanum to stop looseness of the bowels. He leaves a family in Philadelphia.

Confiscated.—Moses Meyers was found guilty of having attempted to take advantage of a drunken man's condition, and to rob him of his watches and some jewelry on the street without a pass-ticket. The property was confiscated by order of Judge Atocha.

For Tortugas.—Pat Sullivan, of the Third Maryland Regiment, was found guilty, before Judge Atocha, of being, from his conduct, unworthy to serve in the army, and sentenced to Fort Tortugas for the unexpired term of his enlistment.

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THE FIGHT IN FLORIDA.

The enemy's force in the late battle is reported to have been 10,000 men of all arms. Our forces was about 5500 to 6000. The enemy placed two of their negro regiments in the front, and urged them on at the point of the bayonet. They withstood our fire as long as they dare, but as our troops advanced they retreated. More than one half of the two negro regiments are said to have been killed and left on the field of battle.

MOBILE COTTON MARKET.

Middling	65 @ —
Strict Middling	66 @ 68
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MOBILE, March 8, 1864. March 9, 1863.

Stock on hand Sept. 1st	1,254	2,213
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EXCHANGE AND STOCKS.

Sterling has ruled entirely during the week, and is still heavy. Specie is in demand. Other specie is very heavy by the table of rates.

The following quotations have been furnished us by Messrs. Perry & Perry:

Confederate Bonds	15,000,000 Loan—
Large 15 bonds	15 @ 5
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50,000,000 Loan, 1st series	15 @ 5
Do do 2d series	15 @ 5
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REPORTED SHOT AMONG SOLDIERS IN VIRGINIA.

The Lynchburg *Republican* says that two gentlemen, who have just been stopping in Prince William county, Virginia, report that there has been a heavy fight among a corporal Yankee troops stationed near Bristoe Station, under the following circumstances:

A day had been appointed for re-enlisting the men of this corps, and a large number of barrels of whisky had been brought down and the newly knocked out and the men invited to drink, in order to get them up to the sticking point. Some of the Dutch and Irish pitched in, got tight, and proposed themselves as the line of new re-enlisted, but the calm being, full blooded Yankees, together with a large portion of the whole, spoke the rat and refused to participate, whereupon, the re-enlisted men commenced firing the rest, and a general rough-and-tumble, all parties using their arms. The fight lasted for hours. The commanding officer had six pieces of artillery opened on the insurgents, and finally succeeded in restoring quiet.

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Two Yankee regiments, whose terms of service had expired, were ordered to advance the insurrectionists, which they refused to do, and a brigade was ordered against them. The two regiments are said to have whipped the brigade, both losing about one hundred men killed and wounded.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

First District Court—Judge Hinsland—George Mazane, charged with larceny, was acquitted by the jury without leaving their seats, but a verdict of guilty was entered against J. Robertson, charged with an assault and battery on Julia Haley.

First District Recorder's Court—H. T. Vennard Presiding—John Albert, convicted of cruelty to an animal, to wit, cruelly beating a horse, was sentenced to ten days imprisonment.

Vendouvis.—At the fire on Conti street, near Villery street, on the premises of Mr. Bonnin, the police found under a bedstead a cylindrical rock, with a fuse in it, a gentleman's undergarment, with a candle on each side of the rocker. A number of small candles, it was said, surrounded this threatening symbol.

Second District Recorder's Court—Chas. Leonard, Esq., Presiding—Mr. Sawyer, who, in partnership with other parties, has a business place for the purchase of old metals, copper, iron, etc., was sent before the First District Court, to answer the charge of having bought a lot of copper, lead pipes, etc., stolen from a sugar factory. Several parties, for in proper conduct, were fined from $2 50 to $5 each.

An Accident.—James Wight fell from the second story of the house No. 9 Chartres street, by some accident, and had to be taken to the Charity Hospital.

Inquest.—A printer, J. C. Whitaker, died yesterday without the aid of a physician. An empty phial of laudanum lead to a suspicion of suicide, when others thought he improperly used laudanum to stop looseness of the bowels. He leaves a family in Philadelphia.

Confiscated.—Moses Meyers was found guilty of having attempted to take advantage of a drunken man's condition, and to rob him of his watches and some jewelry on the street without a pass-ticket. The property was confiscated by order of Judge Atocha.

For Tortugas.—Pat Sullivan, of the Third Maryland Regiment, was found guilty, before Judge Atocha, of being, from his conduct, unworthy to serve in the army, and sentenced to Fort Tortugas for the unexpired term of his enlistment.

Fire.—The house of Mrs Joe Bonnin on Conti near Marais street was destroyed yesterday afternoon by fire which occurred about 3 o'clock. The neighboring houses were somewhat scorched.

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