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NEW ORLEANS:
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Sales to Auction; To-day.

By McCLURE & LANDRY, at 11 o'clock, at their auction room, Masonic Hall, furniture.

By R. E. HOUGH, at 10 o'clock, at No. 49 Magazine street, dismantled gear.

REDUCED PRICES AT TURNBULL'S.—It will be seen that a variety of desirable dry goods are advertised at reduced prices by R. Turnbull, 126 Canal street.

FLOUR, PORK, BAGGING, &c.—B. P. Eshleman & Co., Nos. 32 and 34 Poydras street, advertise 1000 barrels extra and superfine flour, together with mess pork, bacon and Kentucky bagging, and choice old Bourbon whisky.

THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE CO.—Those desiring security against either life and property risks would do well to consult the inducements offered in the satisfactory exhibit elsewhere of the condition of the above company. Its profit and loss account shows a large balance which will yield a dividend of 40 per cent. for the year free from income tax. Messrs. J. Dacon is the agent for New Orleans, offices corner of Carondelet and Common street.

This day, at 11 o'clock, Messrs. McCLURE & LANDRY will sell at auction, furniture, &c., at the Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets.

D. E. MORPHY, auctioneer, sells this day, at 10 o'clock, A. M., in store No. 47 Magazine street, various goods, damaged per ship Chase. See his auction advertisement.

PEACH BLOW POTATOES ARE SUNDRIES.—Rees & King, 63 and 64 Tchoupitoulas street, have just received by steamship and have 1000 barrels peach blow potatoes, together with beans, family hams and pork, apples and tea.

The schooner Mattie, Capt. Robinson, from Matamoras bound to New York, reports having passed a raft in the heavy gale to the Eastward of the Rio Grande which compelled him to put into this port for repairs.

KEROSENE OIL, LAMPS, &c.—At the well known Emporium of Light, No. 6 Chartres street, it will be found a fresh supply of superior Kerosene Oil has just been received. This article is said to have the double merit of being pure and safe, and of burning 20 per cent. longer than ordinary coal oil. We refer also to the same advertisement for a variety of new and useful articles for lighting, heating, and cooking purposes, to be found at this establishment.

Governor Hahn has issued a proclamation dated the 10th instant, ordering an election in the parishes of Ascension and Plaquemines for delegates to the Convention now sitting at Liberty Hall, to take place on the 19th inst. The representation from these parishes was declared vacant and by the Convention, a new election was ordered by Governor Hahn at the request of that body.

By a telegraphic dispatch to the agent we learn that the steamship George Washington crossed the bar Saturday evening, at 4 o'clock.

Late from Up Red River.

SKIRMISHING NEAR CAMPTE.

The Army Moving on up Red River.

The steamer Luminary, Captain Weaver, arrived yesterday morning from up Red River, having left Grand Ecore on the 7th inst.

From the officers of this steamer we learn that General Banks was at Natchitoches, when they left on the 6th inst. Some brisk skirmishing had taken place near Campte. About 37 privates and 4 officers of one of the New York regiments were killed and wounded.

Captain Cousthme, of the steamer Chillicothe, just as he had reached the deck of his vessel, was killed by a shot from the shore.

The Luminary brought down about 180 sick and wounded soldiers. The Union army was moving on up the river.

Rudiments Predictions.

It is easy, with the help of a little discretion to play the prophet. But all men are not discreet. Many will address their faculties to the work, and, in the exercise of the pursuit the dispensation of the future is lost too apt to forget that [illegible] in their bed desire to [illegible] cessation. Our politicians [illegible] complete especially are constantly [illegible] into error by neglecting Delphic caution, and casting their validictions in [illegible] and positive a form as to time, place and other circumstance.".

They might have learned a useful lesson from the memorable failure of the astrologers of the sixteenth century, who predicted, with the utmost exactness of statement, that another great deluge would roll over the world about the middle of that century. Men went so far in their faith in this prediction as to commence building immense improvements upon the Noachian ark, and to remove their habitations, families, wealth and provisions to the tops of the highest mountains. But the time for the catastrophe approached without any threatening sign, and came and passed without unusual harm to the human family, except to the astrological profession whom it brought to such grief and disrepute that they have not recovered from their humiliation to this day. It was not the fault of the stars, they said; but they had made a mistake of a zero in their calculations. This proved the stars, which still shine on above; but as for the astrologers, they have not yet got over sore.

If many of the contemporary writers who are in the daily habit of complacently saving the most intricate military problems of the present war, do not forfeit their reputation for discernment and foresight, it will not be from lack of committing almost every day the faults of the astrologers and having their predictions belied by every day belied by the event. They prosper in neither negative nor affirmative prophecies. What they say will happen at a precise time and place is seen not to happen at all; and what they affirm will not happen under any circumstances is seen to happen while the ink from their prophetic pens is hardly dry.

It is scarcely ever safe to deal in prophecy; a negative; for who is able to limit the contingencies of the future? On the other hand, it is comparatively safe for the same reason to prophesy an affirmative, if plenty of scope is given in point of time for its fulfillment.

But this saving maxim has nearly always been absent from the military programmes prophesied and announced since the commencement of the war. To go back to the beginning, or the eve of the beginning, we find that it was said and averred by writers and orators, on both sides that a war in real earnest was a moral impossibility.

Then it was to be finished in a campaign of sixty days; then, in ninety days; then, by the next summer; then, at the end of the following winter; then, positively and beyond peradventure, by the operations of the approaching spring and summer; and so on to this hour.

And yet the prophesiemakers are not discouraged. Lately they have been engaged upon one of their favorite themes, and one associated more than any other with the demonstrated falsity of their predictions. This is the great On-to-Richmond movement. No sooner was General Grant called to the head of all the armies, than it was announced that the great purpose of his first campaign would be the capture of Richmond.

We were told that, this time that rebel stronghold would certainly fall; nothing could save it. No skill, no power, no chance, could keep it from the grasp of the stout and invincible captor of Vicksburg. And that was commonly to come about before the end of the current year.

The Louisville Journal pounces upon the impudence of such exquisite presumption, and in the article which we give elsewhere cruelly quotes into its hopes of the successful issue of a number of campaign against Richmond.

Dr. John Redman Coxe, who died in Philadelphia recently, was born in 1773, was educated in Europe, and studied medicine with Dr. Benjamin Rush. In 1809 he was elected Professor of Chemistry in the University of Pennsylvania, from which chair he was translated, in 1818, to that of Materia Medica and Pharmacy, which he held until 1835. For many years he has been leading the retired life of a student. Dr. Coxe was one of the earliest introducers of vaccination into the United States, and was the first to transplant it into Philadelphia, and for more than fifty years his name has been a household word in connection with the blessed remedy he invented.

R. GRAVE BROWN'S LATE SPEECH.—Mr. Grave Brown, of Missouri, delivered lately a characteristic speech in the House of Representatives, of which he endorsed the necessity of "conquering peace" by declaring that "such speech is a confession of the weakness of the Government." He declared that "the third and concluding campaign of the rebellion will be found to fathom the endurance of the Southern Confederacy, and end it all upon, but upon the ruins of, the Government of the United States." In a popular speech not long ago, in St. Louis, Mr. Brown called upon the Administration to "look Providence in the face," and "do right or may not be saved, as Pharaoh says he doubted every word. It certainly is not a recognized element of our language, and we respectfully submit that a gentleman who requires a poet to be the teacher of the whole, and who uses an expression so appropriately and with reverence as "conquering peace," might surely borrow a little more grammar from the vocabulary of his paper, or from the dictionary, to make his speech fit for the Louisville Journal.

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The Contemplated Campaign Against Richmond.

[From the Louisville Journal, 7th April.]

It appears to be the general impression, that General Grant, having taken or decided to take the immediate command of the Army of the Potomac, will most speedily forward to attack Richmond. There is also a very general impression that he will certainly capture the city. The public faith in regard to this matter rests very much, if not almost entirely, upon the deep confidence felt in General Grant's capacity, endurance, energy, and military genius. We have no more confidence in these qualities of the distinguished Lieutenant-General on any one we have, and yet we confess that we have some very serious misgivings as to the capture of Richmond.

We all know how much time and toil and life it cost General Grant to capture Vicksburg—Yet Vicksburg was bounded by only twenty miles on thirty thousand troops, whilst General Lee can, if necessary, have between two and three hundred thousand for the defense of Richmond. Besides, General Grant completely besieged Vicksburg in front by means of the Federal gunboats upon the Mississippi, and in the rear by a large and powerful army corps; but no one supposes that we have anything approaching to this in the above city to a point on the river below it, but he can have no such advantages at Richmond, where everything being about equal, the rebels, and the same time pressing for fresh supplies of volunteers. At present it looks very much as if the Secretary of War will be more men than he knew how to employ or organize, and the inference is that it would be far better to employ them than hopelessly scattered into service before demanding more.

THE CLAY STATUE.—It has always been a matter of surprise to our citizens that the Clay statue has remained so long *unfinished* in this, their native city. Some time ago the sculptor, General Butler very properly ordered "the Union must and shall be preserved," to be cut upon the shield upon the base of the Justice Statue, Jackson square. Many friends, with a commendable spirit, has gone to work, and through their action, the Clay monument will soon be completed. A number of ladies have not engaged in getting places for the erection of four gas lamps around the base of the statue, which will shortly be placed in it. Let, with his whole force, could, perhaps, make a resident and overwhelming dash upon it, for the two or three months, the gas in front of Richmond and the other in the rear, and be too widely apart to co-operate with each other or even to receive each other's parole and stock. It seems hardly possible, then, even with the immense resources, we see furnish two armies, each side of itself to cope successfully with the vast army that lies in front of Richmond. Yet the stronghold of Richmond. Yet the stronghold of Richmond.

We have suggested these considerations in the hope of preventing our friends from being over sanguine. It is now in any trick in military matters, Richmond could not be taken by a force three times as great as that defending it. But nobody understands these matters better than Gen. Grant, and we have unlimited confidence in his perfect knowledge that not only his own lofty and clearly outlined fame but in a great measure the fate of the country that have to hang him depends upon his making no failure in any movement. Richmond, will undoubtedly deter him from any rash or precipitate action, however clamorously the people may urge that what is first in my mind, viz: that only four months have to fly by, you may say, before the June examination, and *Forlorn!*—Have you thought of that? Has it ever occurred to your mind that such an event is happening on the earth? Remember what a speed! Why, said, I will be upon us before you are aware. I must begin to prepare. I must get at my work day by day. Not a month before that time. Not a week. You must prepare. You must "cram" your Reward." You must be No. 1. It is a fine word. Really I am charmed and remembered. Simple and unique. Jump to it, fellow.

Your father, E. E. Lee.

RESURGENCE OF THE KENTUCKY INVASION.—All sorts of rumors are afloat as to a formidable invasion of Kentucky by the rebels. We suppose that military authorities know what is going on, but the public is left to see as little as possible of rebel movements so about their own. Of course we cheerfully acquiesce in the propriety of this, but we think a few words after they have been recruited. There are now not less than two thousand rebels encamped or in barracks on the islands and force in our harbor who might have been in the ranks three months ago, and that the presence of recruits from the around our city shows the last week in March may be safely estimated at five thousand. Of these, all men who enlisted in November last, and for whose time only paid money, who have not yet been assigned to any duty, who have taken blankets and receiving depots the same [illegible] week. In May, there will be twenty-three hundred recruits in barracks on Monday last, and it is estimated that the total number of recruits in organization throughout the State amount to thirty thousand. The number is within three thousand of the quota of New York under the late call, and the two hundred man and for whom a draft is ordered in April, unless they are provided by volunteering.

On the basis of unemployed volunteers, now in this State and enlisted since October last, the total number throughout the loyal States may be computed at 175,000. If this immense force were at once placed in the ranks, in the field, should be, the effects upon the spring campaign would be decisive. Even we consider that these soldiers are now lying in camps in proportion not to them not even receiving instructions in military discipline, we are at a loss to account for the policy of the Government in detaining them, and at the same time pressing for fresh supplies of volunteers. At present it looks very much as if the Secretary of War will be more men than he knew how to employ or organize, and the inference is that it would be far better to employ them than hopelessly scattered into service before demanding more.

Unemployed Troops in the Federal Army—Delay in Forwarding Recruits.

A New York paper of recent date says:

There is a glaring inconsistency between the pressing and urgent demands of the Government upon the people for men and the detention of those men at the various military depots for months after they have been recruited. There are now not less than two thousand such men encamped or in barracks on the islands and force in our harbor who might have been in the ranks three months ago, and the same number of recruits from the around our city share the last week in March may be safely estimated at five thousand. Of these, all men who enlisted in November last, and for whose time only paid money, who have not yet been assigned to any duty, who have taken blankets and receiving depots the same [illegible] week. In May, there will be twenty-three hundred recruits in barracks on Monday last, and it is estimated that the total number of recruits in organization throughout the State amount to thirty thousand. The number is within three thousand of the quota of New York under the late call, and the two hundred man and for whom a draft is ordered in April, unless they are provided by volunteering.

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Miscellaneous Items.

The lenney shown in some of the ballad poetry written now-a-days was exhibited by Punch in a few rollicking verses, of which the following are specimens:

A midnight the clouds rest in the wheels,
And the moon is a-sailing the azure hill;
The shepherd stood on his trusty steed,
And the flocks were safely housed in shed.
Then over and over the sea he flew,
Over, over, and found on the tuft of my coat
For the fairy cousin was waiting for him.
He promised more a purple—and oorpus rue he!
Merry, merry lambs!
Blithely, blithely leaping!
Blithest, blithest lambs!

Then he kissed the cute sweet;
Kissed the goodish cute, too;
And he kissed the little one, the smallest one of all;
Then he stepped into his trusty steed,
And away he went to the sea.
"Our lady will be wed to-day."
That message he gave to every green,
Slightest, slightest lambs!

A story is going about Paris that is creditable to the Emperor. It is said that riding one day in the suburbs he met a poor old man with a bag and pulling up suddenly, and ascertaining that he was not hurt, asked him good naturedly if he would like to see the Emperor. "No," replied the child, "for I have seen him; he is a second." *(pardon.)* "Indeed," said the Emperor, "I am sorry to hear that, but I think your father desired to see me." "Yes," replied the boy, "and he is in Sevres." "Oh, then," said the Emperor, "I am sorry to hear that, but I think you can see him another time." "Yes," said the child, "for I have seen him; he is a second." "Indeed," said the Emperor, "I am sorry to hear that, but I think your father desired to see me." "Yes," replied the boy, "and he is in Sevres." "Oh, then," said the Emperor, "I am sorry to hear that, but I think you can see him another time." "Yes," said the child, "for I have seen him; he is a second." "Indeed," said the Emperor, "I am sorry to hear that, but I think your father desired to see me." "Yes," replied the boy, "and he is in Sevres." "Oh, then," said the Emperor, "I am sorry to hear that, but I think you can see him another time." "Yes," said the child, "for I have seen him; he is a second."

A married lady found her two sons quarreling, and, in hopes of putting an end to their differences, uttered the following: "You young rascals, if you don't desist directly, I'll tell both your fathers."

What kind of music does the kettle give out when it begins to boil? The music of a duet-tempest.

The young lady who asked one of our reporters last night in a wooing moment to "notice the beauty of the silvery moon," is respectfully informed that we cannot permit it, as all notices in this paper are charged for at the usual rates. Send with their position in the same.—*Norfolk Express.*

It is said that near Mayfield the other day two of Forrest's officers, with drawn sword, opened the door of a pig-pen to secure a hog. Seeing perhaps the whole drove run between the legs, tumbled him into the gutter and escaped. In that case the pen was mightier than the sword.—*Louisville Journal.*

There is nothing new under the sun. In Middlesex's tragedy of "Women beware Women," published in 1657, there is the following allusion to an old anesthetic remedy:

"I'll tell you the physician of old surgeons
To this last limb, who, ere they shave their cut,
Cast one asleep—and he's the best patient."

Why object to women's wearing breeches? Would you have them *come calottes?*

Never present a lady with a rose as a token of love, unless you mean to keep your faith as *pendat.*

The pair of great geese which Government is having cast—one in New Jersey and the other in Pennsylvania—are to carry shot weighing about one thousand pounds each, which will penetrate the iron armor of vessels, as a rifle will go through a sheet of tin. The weight of the vessels will be in the vicinity of 110,000 pounds and the cost of each about $20,000. They are to be smooth-bores, but the Ordnance Bureau is now having "rifled" on the James plan all the smooth-bore heavy guns on the fortifications around the capital.

Army teamsters are proverbial for the scientific volubility with which they swear. A teamster with his Cumberland army got stuck in the mud, and he let fly a torrent of oaths such as the world have astonished "our army in Flanders" even. A chaplain, passing at the time, was greatly shocked.

"My friend," said he to the teamster, "do you know who died for sinners?"

"Don't know nothing about 'em! Don't you see I'm stuck in the mud?"

COLD APPLICATIONS TO THE THROAT.—To prove that this practice is not new, the Editor of the Canada *Lancet* quotes from the literature of the subject as far back as 1822 and 1826, where we learn that as long ago as 1822 sore throat was treated with cold applications. The same has been recommended by various writers at different periods to the present time. The Editor says that his own experience in the use of cold applications to the throat for croup is decidedly favorable; in no instance have they failed to produce a marked good effect on the breathing. He now constantly orders pieces of ice to be held in the mouth, and the cold water to be swallowed in all inflammatory affections of the throat.

Ann Marts.

Although scribbled, cabined and confined, the irrepressible genius of Ann will assert itself; witness the following lines:

MY LOVE AND I.

My love reposes on a recessed bosom;
A "couch" have I.
A couch of feathery down fills up the same—
Mine is the Orleans, and my love's the same.
My love has daily dinner taken in state—
And so do I. (!)
The rubbed and thick flesh her silver plate—
Cotton grows mine.
My love has all the world at will to peruse—
Three sheets of news.
My love has all the world at will to peruse—
The sunbeam's I.
British cruisers round her search at night—
A Yank, with bonds and rags, for me.
A thousand watery miles may sweats between
My love and I;
Yet but, this watery world, cold, calm, serene,
I wish I did.
My love is with the Britons in the bustle,
And keep this wayward "ark" from Jaques's ken.

Is the Archduke to Stop at New York?

A recent letter from New York to a Philadelphia paper says:

It was whispered in Wall street to-day, among the bankers and brokers (who usually have reliable private correspondence from Paris and London,) that Prince Maximilian will stop at New York, on his way to Vera Cruz, and assume go so far as to say even, that while here he will be the guest of August Belmont, Esq. The have announcement of this fact, if true is to be published to put all jaspersions in a flutter. We see all dying fall to the ear of absolute "distinguished stranger," and if the imperial Max will but come among, he may count upon an enthusiastic a reception as that which was awarded to the Prince of Wales, the "Jake" of Saxonia, and last, but not least, in the affections of the fair daughters of Gotham, the immortal Japanese "Tenaka." The presence of the Austrian among us will be the "outward visible sign" of the subversion of the Monroe doctrine to be sure, but what cares the Fifth Avenue and Madison Square belles for that? Is it not a matter of much more importance that marriageable daughters should have a chance to dance with a Lord or a Duke, than that political traditions should be respected, or that the honor of the Republic should suffer no detriment?

Hit at President Lincoln.

The Tribune's Washington correspondence tries its hand at making "political capital" upon Mr. Lincoln by circulating such stories as the following:

It is stated in best informed circles that Mrs. J. Todd White, the sister of Mrs. Lincoln, has been through our lines for Richmond, via Fortress Monroe, with three large trunks containing confidence and secession documents, and that the rebel press over her safe transit with rebel money and bonnets of gold was founded in truth. General Butler is said to be "in favor of a quarter of pensions," and it is considered likely that inquiry will be permitted this woman to pass by the rebel lines between Fredericksburg and Hanover Junction.

New York Markets.

New York, April 1. P. M.—Cotton more steady at 76c. for Middling Uplands.

Gold firmer at 67¾, declining to 67¾, and closing quiet at 67¾. Government firm and advancing; 5s of '81 coupons 113 to 113⅜, 6s coupons 10 to 110¼. Sterling firmer, at 180 for first class bills.

Pork—Sales of 250,000 pounds bulk shoulders at 9½c.

Depredations on Government Plantations—Rising the Hire—Reconnoissance Conditions—Rosy Prospect for Cotton Crops.

The St. Louis *Democrat* of the 31st ultimo contains the following in a letter from its Memphis correspondent:

In Concordia and Tensas parishes, in Louisiana, the rebels have recently caused much trouble. Nearly the entire Government plantations in that locality have received visits from these sanguine parties, to such an extent that labor upon them has been entirely suspended. The first attempts to break up the system of free labor inaugurated on the plantations of Gen. Grant, commenced by Gen. Logan, and followed by Gen. Lauman, were soon met with determined opposition by the rebels, and the negroes were driven from the plantations. Gen. Lauman, however, succeeded in getting them back, and they have since remained at work. All kinds of depredations were committed upon the property of the Government, and upon that of loyal citizens. Gen. Lauman, however, succeeded in getting them back, and they have since remained at work. All kinds of depredations were committed upon the property of the Government, and upon that of loyal citizens.