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Amusements this Evening.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Othello, Lucrezia Borgia, Don Cæsar de Bazan and Faces.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—Rail Reform—How A Young Swell Won Lady Isabel—How to Avoid the Draft.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Ballet, Pantomime, Singing, Dancing, Ethiopianists, Acrobatic and Gymnastic Exercises.

We are obliged to the polite attentions of the officers of the steamship New War Eagle for valued newspaper favors.

A Northern mail, letter and newspaper, came yesterday morning via the river and was distributed during the day.

A mail for the North by the steamer Morning Star, direct for New York, will close at the postoffice at 9 o'clock this evening (this).

The steamer Clara Dolson, Captain Prouty, bound for St. Louis, is packing out, yesterday, to proceed up the river, went afoul of the United States sloop-of-war Portsmouth, anchored in the stream, carrying the ship from her anchorage, opposite Lafayette street, down the river, nearly opposite St. Louis street.

The Clara Dolson had her wateh wheel, boom cabins and brass, and other slight damage to her wood work, from the wash-room to the wheelhouse. We could not learn whether the ship received any damage.

A military execution of two soldiers of the 28th Illinois Regiment, David Geer and Alexander McBride, convicted by court martial of the murder of George Sargent, an old resident of Adams county, Miss., took place in the vicinity of Natchez on the 6th inst. They were shot to death in the usual form, and the Natchez Courier says the scene was extremely impressive.

Washington's Birthday in Richmond.

(From the Richmond Examiner, Feb 23d.)

This day, as once the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, and that of the three-score and twelfth year of the Inauguration of the first President, occurs to-day. We do not know that any preparations have been made to celebrate the twin events. We believe the departments of the general government will be closed, and Congress may adjourn over. That is about all that will mark the twenty second from any other day. We wished it too much absorbed in war to celebrate its birthday.

GEN. JOHNSTON REAPPOINTED IN SPITE OF DAVIS'S MALICE.

(From the Richmond Examiner, Feb 23d.)

General Joseph E. Johnston is to be restored to command. He has been ordered to report to General Lee, the Commander-in-chief, who will doubtless at once give to the Confederacy the benefit of General Johnston's services in some appropriate place.

But a few months ago it was generally considered at Richmond that the efforts of the Confederacy were so fearfully and its position so nearly hopeless, that it could afford to do without one of the first military commanders of the age, and consequently, with a reckless disregard of the public, only to gratify the private feelings of the President. It was generally believed that the withdrawal of General Johnston from the command would no longer be averted. They need but the assurance that they will be treated with magnanimity to induce them to flock in thousands to the standard of the invader. That assurance is that they will find in the President's forbearing lenient—in its thrift and bearing. If not in its speedy pardons and recommendations. Let us hope, but think that they are, to a large extent, thinkmen, and they will make haste to cast away the weapons of fratricidal war and return to the bosom of their country. If their silence has been grievous, it must be remembered that, as a class, they have only answered us. The million needs peace, not vengeance; it demands a respite to nourish loyalty, not useless slaughter. A large majority of the Southern people have taken no further part in the war than that which was imposed on them by falsehood and terrorism; let us treat them as we did those of Tennessee and they will soon be stronger and truer than it has ever yet been.

Let the two Houses agree that the power to accept or reject terms of peace is no incident of the power to declare war, and define the President's powers and functions accordingly. His military duty may be deemed requisite to render valid any adjustment of yet great controversy that may require his sanction. This armed, we may readily intrust him by subject to no nasty and annoying poison.

What Southern Women Endure—Rebel Spies—Arrest of Mr. and Mrs. Stinson.

(From the Memphis Bulletin of the 24th February.—Extra Special.)

The Cin., an eccentric journal, published in London last month, recommenced publication on the 15th. We have received a copy containing the following special response of information to Blair's mission to Richmond:

We are enabled from special sources of information, to give specifically the terms which Lincoln will offer for unconditional surrender, and which Blair, as a basis of pacification: First, The abolition of slavery to be left to State legislatures as a matter of local policy. Second, The Confederate States to return to the Union with the enjoyment of all rights, privileges, and immunities that they left it.

Third, Confederate army not to be disbanded, but incorporated with the Federal army for foreign war.

Fourth. In the restored Union the past to be forgotten.

The consent of these propositions being at once rejected by Davis, it became necessary to consider the others.

In reference to this document, we would call the attention of our readers: First, to the fact that we have, if undoubted authority, what Jeff Davis has invested with powers from Lincoln, he would not have been received by Davis; second, to the fact that Lincoln's abolition emancipation by his own proclamation, leaving the question to State Rights, and Blair, leaving the question to State Rights, and then, to the fact that the policy of his Government points to foreign aggression.

The Davenport Brothers Bagooed to Order.

—The following notice, among the latest European advices by the Montpelier:

The so called spiritual manifestation by the Davenport Brothers, were brought to an unexpected conclusion at St. George's Hall, Liverpool. The audience appointed two committees to the rope tying. They proved too much for the rope tyers. They proved too much for and were objected to by the Davenports. Great confusion and excitement arose. The Davenport's escaped, but their paraphernalia was not noticed to appear, and the hall had to be cleared by the police.

Western Kentucky.

—The whole of Kentucky west of Green river to the Tennessee line is badly infested by guerrillas, owing to the want of energy to crush the scoundrels out. On Tuesday night about a dozen of these fiends rode into the town of Hopkinsville, and other robbing several stores, rode up to the house of two prominent Union men, who, as they opened their doors, were shot down. After committing other outrages the guerrillas rode off, shouting their bloody exploits.—*Cairo Gazette, 22 ult.*

A band of guerrillas under the lead of the notorious Bill Hall, entered the village of Lewisburg, Muhlenburg county, Kentucky, on Wednesday last, and carried off goods to the amount of $10,000 from the stores. Among the articles taken were a number of fine horses.

CITY INTELLIGENCE

Provost Court. — *Judge N. Liebes.*—The chief rendered the decision in the case of Wm. Hopper, charged with an attempt to bribe Provost Marshal Wade [of Carrollton, where accused were arrested on the charge of purchasing stolen Government mules.

At the trial of the charge against the accused Hopper, he was acquitted, but a charge came up from the Provost Marshal of Carrollton that one Kenner attempted and attempted to bribe him. In order to secure the release of Hopper, who purchased the mules in good faith, as alledged, the sum of $1,000 was handed to Kepperton and on that trial Kenner was found guilty.

Representations to the Commanding General caused that Kenner was acquitted, but the case came on again as before mentioned by the solicitation that Hopper was the guilty party.

The Court acquitted Hopper and in rendering the decision remarked that the former verdict, that there was no doubt that Kenner, who had been pardoned was the guilty individual in the premises.

Small Cases.—Dorsey D'Arcy, who was arrested on Carondelouse street, under the suspicion of carrying two bricks under her bonnet, was fined $10.

Day, White, colored, was sent before the First District Court, on the charge of having committed an assault and battery and robbed Frederick Smith, on Rousseau street.

Colored John Tousaint was sent before the First District Court, on the charge of having stolen $100 from Alexis Wilson.

Several cases of drunkenness and disturbance of the peace were disposed off with fines of $5, etc.

First District Court. — *Judge Howland.*—Jan 24—Daniel was tried for having stolen an overcoat from Mr. Mera, on February 18th, 1865. The verdict was "guilty."

Mary Bessel, colored, was acquitted of the charge of larceny of 2 calico dresses, stolen from No. 39 Old Levee, Jan. 20th.

Colored Washington Jones et al., charged with larceny were found guilty.

Mercuary Report.—Weekly report of deaths in the city of New Orleans, from the 27th day of February to the 6th day of March, 1865:

Diseases.—Bronchitis 1, catarrh 1, cholera infantum 2, congestion of the brain 2, consumption 12, convulsions infantile 5, croup 1, debility adult 1, debility infantile 2, diarrhœa chronic 2, dropsy 3, drowned 1, dysentery acute 3, diphtheria 1, debility 3, enteric fever 2, typhoid fever 1, disease of the heart 1, hepatitis 1, hydrocephalus 1, inflamation of the throat 1, inflamation of the womb 1, jaundice 1, accidently killed 2, meningitis 1, paralysis 1, pneumonia 5, pneumonia bilamentalis 1, small pox 24, softening of the brain 1, stillborn 3, suicide 1, teething 1, tetanus 2, the unaccertain 2, varioloid 5, not stated 1. Total 117.

Nativity.—East Indies 1, France 3, Germany 6, Ireland 8, Italy 1, Prussia 2, United States 72, West Indies 1, not stated 23. Total 117.

Sexes, &c.—Females, 51; not stated, 3. Total 117.

Color.—White, 76; Blacks, 25; mulattoes, 16. Total 117.

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Secretary Board of Health.

The Legislature.

WEDNESDAY, March 8, 1865.

SENATE.—The Senate was called to order after the usual hour. The Hon. Wm. Hoyes in the chair.

Only five members were present and on motion of Mr. Mills, the motion to adjourn was put and carried.

House of Representatives.—The House met pursuant to adjournment, the Hon. S. Baldon, Speaker, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Andrews.

The minutes were read and adopted.

Several absent members were excused.

On calling the petitions, memorials, etc., the Hon. Judge Seymour offered a resolution, that the House adjourn on Friday March 10, in respect to the memory of the Hon. Henriatty of Algiers, deceased, in order to attend the funeral. The resolution adopted further provided that the usual badge of mourning be worn by the members of the House of Representatives.

The motion to adjourn under the above resolution prevailed, and the House was declared adjourned by the speaker.

A Northern Protest Against General Sherman's Plan of Separating the Blacks from the Whites.—The "Neighborhood of a Superior Race" Invoked in Behalf of the Freed Negroes.

(From the New York Times, February 20.)

We remember of hearing, years before the present war, a distinguished statesman predict that the time would soon come when the line between Northern Abolitionists and Democrats would be entirely filled with blank commonplaces. The prediction was a scientific conclusion, based on the laws of population. In these semi-tropical regions, stretching from the equator, and in the centres of countries he must have the advantage over the white.

Whether this war is to change the relations of the two races in these rich red-board lands remains yet to be seen.

General Sherman, in his recent order relating certain lands to the refugee blacks of Georgia, and forbidding the presence of white persons, has evidently acted in the best faith to ward the freedmen, and after careful consultation with the most intelligent of their own leaders. Considering all the evils and scourge of the inevitably spring up from the intercourse of an army with such colonies, and the liability of these simple minded blacks to be over-reached, he pursued what seemed, temporarily the wisest course, in separating the two people entirely for a time from the whites. But, in considering the interests of both races from a statesman's point of view, we believe that General Sherman was right in the end in keeping them but for the present together—the white brain supplying the black labor. It must be remembered that the freed negroes have just escaped from a condition of the most complete slavery of the world and their former lords are still ruling to them.—They need all the influences which civilization can bring to bear on them: the instruction of teachers, the example of intelligent and virtuous society, the hope of the benefits which a higher social position confers—in a word, all the advantages which the neighborhood of a superior race, freely governed by law, would bring to them. They ought not to be isolated, because the tendency of isolation with an inferior race is to degeneracy and barbarism.

The freed slaves will inevitably be inclined to many vices. They will have little respect for marriage or the purity of sex; many will be inclined to sloth from one another; some will be idle and vagrant.

The religion will have a tendency to run into superstition, and their industry will merely seek the most immediate gratification as its reward; and, according to the experience of the West Indian Islands, they will be exposed to the most desolating epidemics, owing to the want of the medical treatment which they have been accustomed to receive from their former masters. All these evils which must be expected to follow Emancipation, but which can be steadily and faithfully stayed, by wise provision and prudent arrangement. The means of such prevention, therefore be, first of all, the neighborhood and contact of the white race with the black. The system of white families settled among them, with superior purity of morals, more sober religion, which may we hope would be exhibited among the whites, the example of white industry and energy, the assistance which the presence of the other race would inspire in them, and the immense accumulated traits and results of our long Anglo-American civilization, would be an inestimable benefit to the faithful and loyal, but low and barbarized race.

No scheme of future administration for them, ought to separate them from these benefits. They ought not to be left isolated. While the stupidity and enterprise of the poor black laborer, Northern capital should flow into these rich cotton-lands on the borders of the Atlantic and the Gulf, and should make them bloom with wealth, industry and civilization, under intelligent labor. The negro race, though its more numerous in those latitudes, would exist side by side with the white race, and by being constantly elevated by it, indefinite gain of its virtues to an equality with the superior race, and all forming a great, prosperous, increasingly intelligent, class of humanity, in the Southern States.

With the future progress before the emancipated slaves, we can look forward without dread to the "Africanization of the Gulf States." But when we consider the evils of their isolation, that will insure this inevitable result, or which will permanently separate the black and white races.

The Problem to Solve.

(From the N. Y. Times.)

Many of our people have very unreasonable expectations in regard to the loyalty of the inhabitants in Savannah and other recaptured cities of the South. They complain that these people at first do not love the Union a whit better than they did before their towns were taken. Why should they? The mere fact of conquest cannot be expected to change the hearts of those who have been defeated. We should distrust all protestations of vehement love for the Union from those who have been fighting or aiding in the rebellion against it. All we can reasonably expect of these people at the outset is, that they should submit peacefully to their defeat—that they should acquiesce in the re-establishment of national authority, and the reign of law, promptly and peaceably, of the whole; the laws, possibly and peaceably, of the National Government. This, so far as we know, they are doing everywhere.

Whatever we desire beyond this, (and certainly we do desire a great deal more,) must come either from love or fear. Guns and bayonets never yet won the love of any people; no matter whether the cause in which they were used was right or wrong. Whether the people of the South will ever again feel a strong affection for the Old Flag—whether they hasten or delay the reconciliation—depends entirely on the Union generals and armies with loving pride. Union, opposite entirely to the Union members and citizens for all of whom after treated. We shall, no doubt, re-establish our authority at the Southern States.

We can, and shall, compel obedience to the laws. But the genius of our free institutions requires that we should win the affections of the people for the Government, if we can. We can keep them in subjection by the bayonet for a time, but we cannot keep them together—the white brain supplying the black labor. It must be remembered that the freed negroes have just escaped from a condition of the most complete slavery of the world and their former lords are still ruling to them.—They need all the influences which civilization can bring to bear on them: the instruction of teachers, the example of intelligent and virtuous society, the hope of the benefits which a higher social position confers—in a word, all the advantages which the neighborhood of a superior race, freely governed by law, would bring to them. They ought not to be isolated, because the tendency of isolation with an inferior race is to degeneracy and barbarism.

Deserters says: The last of Hardee's army was to have crossed the Cape river yesterday, bound for Charleston, North Carolina, and it was feared that Sherman had already intercepted their march. It is reported on similar authority that the last of Hood's army, the rear guard, passed through Augusta last Sunday, the 12th, on the way to Spartanburg.

Georgetown has been evacuated, and is in our possession.

Deserters are coming in constantly. We have over 600 already.

(Signed) G. A. GILMORE,
Major Gen. Commanding.

The Question of Abandoning Richmond—The Richmond Press on the Situation.

New York, March 2.—The Richmond *Examiner* of the February 27th has a long article to prove that the abandonment of Richmond by the rebel Government and the army would be the abandonment of the scheme of an independent Southern Confederacy.

While the *Sentinel*, (Hardee' press) of the 27th, says: "A great deal of ridiculous dispatch has been created in our city by some movements which are purely speculatory, but which have been grossly misunderstood, or misrepresented. We make this statement on authority, and for the sake, in order to relieve the minds of our people of gratuitous fears. Nothing has been done or contemplated but what an ordinary prudence requires or with any reason that any one will not approve and applaud, there is no foundation for stories on which some build fears, which others may employ for indulgence of prejudice and the basis for indulgence of the enemy and in the presence of the two great armies which are to wrestle for our city, as the prize.

It is of course eminently proper that intelligence should be put in the best fighting trim, for she is no unconcerned spectator. It is with not stock work matter, we would therefore recommend all parties and newspapers to make no comments on the movements, and we may befend the city to better advantage. There is some strange fascination about a point of danger which attracts those who let under operations. It is all moonshine. As for the rest, let us rub up our guns.

The *Enquirer* of the same date, in speaking of the rebel Congress fleeing the capital on the approach of the army of the west during the last four weeks with apprehensions of danger have disturbed the minds of the timid. The Abolitionists have lately thrown fifty forces around the floors of Congress, and in the House of Representatives, and amid these Senators and Representatives have, one by one, left the capital, leaving the balance of the Legislature rapidly diminishing to a number below a quorum.

It is true the President must stand firmly as the national danger thickens. It is true the scarred army must bare their breasts to the storm; with more heroic courage, as the columns of the enemy converge on the litters and existence of the country. Should the President waver, and fulfill the Congressional example, there will be no difficulty in finding instances in history to illustrate his disgrace.

Washington, March 1.—We have received Richmond dates of Feb. 27th.

The *Examiner* says that in the absence of official information of military affairs in the Carolinas we take news from other sources and omit the usual reference to our allies of Southern exchanges. We do not [illegible] of the authorities, and with the understanding that the other city journals have been under obligation of secrecy to the extent indicated above. The public will, no doubt, be properly patient at this interval of silence, and not take it as discouraging, for we are assured there are no such reasons for it, which look to the [illegible] movement of favorable results.

Later from the North via the River.

BY THE STEAMER NEW WAR EAGLE.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

The Latest New York and Western Markets.

By the arrival of the steamer New War Eagle this morning, we have packages of Western papers to the 24, including Cairo leaves of that date, 3 P. M., with Northern dispatches to that hour.

Burning of Confederate's Troops.

New York, March 2.—The *World* has the following additional particulars concerning the burning of Columbia. It says the Chicago artist of Charleston has a dispatch boat at that port with important news, which, if true, illustrates unparalleled rebel treachery; an officer who brought the intelligence stated that about after a corps of Sherman's troops had captured Columbia the rebel citizens there endeavored, in every possible manner, to conciliate our troops. The corps which had suffered severely in the capture at once left to join in Sherman's further advance, and was succeeded by another, Gen. Slocum's. While the latter corps was marching through the principal streets of the city, the cotton bales, distributed promiscuously in the houses, were ignited, and a heavy wind blowing at the time, the flames spread with fearful rapidity, and soon enveloped the whole city. Many of our troops, who were in their barracks, a number of citizens rushed a deadly fire upon them from the windows and roofs of the houses they occupied. Incensed at the treacherous conduct of the people, our troops, after succeeding in extinguishing the conflagration, and quelling the mutiny, left the city after