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NEW ORLEANS:
FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 5.

THE HARLOW BROTHERS.—The general performances of these remarkable gymnasts are on all hands conceded to be the most wonderful exhibitions of the kind ever witnessed in the city or on the continent, but the special admiration of the crowded and brilliant houses at the Academy of Music the present week has been the double trapeze by William and George Harlow. This daring and astonishing act will be given for only two nights more—to-night and Saturday night

We are obliged to the officers of the Joseph Pierce for a Vicksburg *Herald Extra* of the 3d instant.

Refusal of the Secretary of State to Sign and Seal Gov. Wells's New Appointments.

It appears that Mr. S. Wrotnowski, Secretary of State, has refused to affix his signatures and the seal of the State to the commissions of gentlemen recently appointed to various offices in the city. The precise grounds of this refusal are not known, or at least not officially indicated. As the proposals a novel case and one extremely unprecedented in the official history of the State, the following petition for a judicial remedy to both Governor Wells and the newly appointed sheriff, possesses public interest:

To the Hon. Guy Duplantier, Judge of the Sixth District Court of the city of New Orleans:

The petition of B. L. Lynch, Attorney-General of the State of Louisiana, and in that capacity representing the said State, and of Charles Boisbrun, a resident of the said city, respectfully represents:

That on and about the 1st of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty five, J. Madison Wells, then being Governor of the State of Louisiana, in the name and by the authority of the said State, under and in pursuance of the law in such cases made and provided, nominated and appointed your petitioner, Charles Bienvenu, Sheriff in and for the Parish of Orleans; that the said Governor authorized and empowered petitioner Bienvenu to execute and fulfill the duties of that office, according to law, with all the powers, privileges and emoluments of the same of right appertaining thereto; and for that purpose the said James Madison Wells did execute a commission in favor of your petitioner, Charles Bienvenu, signed by the seal of the official captaincy as Governor aforesaid.

And your petitioners further show unto your Honor, that the said commission, after having been executed and signed as aforesaid, was duly and regularly presented to Stanislas Wrotnowski, then and now being Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, for his official signature and for the affixing of the seal of his office; that the said Wrotnowski then refused to recognize the aforesaid commission, and will not now fulfil the duty which attaches to his office by affixing his signature and seal to the said commission, and to which duty the State of Louisiana and your petitioner, Charles Bienvenu, has the right in law to require of the said Wrotnowski, Secretary of State, aforesaid.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that the honorable court will grant an order addressed to Stanislas Wrotnowski, Secretary of the State of Louisiana, directing him to affix the signature of the Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, and the seal of his office, to the commission issued and signed by J. Madison Wells, Governor, under date May 1, 1865, appointing your petitioner, Charles Bienvenu. Sheriff of the parish of Orleans, or show cause to the contrary, within a certain time after the service of the order to be issued by the court.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

B. L. LYNCH,
Att'y Gen'l of the State of Louisiana.
CHARLES BIENVENU,
Party Personally Interested.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Additional from the North.

By the Ben Stickney at Baton Rouge

THE SURRENDER OF JOHNSTON TO MARK THE TERMINATION OF THE WAR.

Gen. Grant to Commence Reducing the Military Force—Curtailment of Expenses Already Begun—50,000 to Leave the Service under Secretary Stanton's Order—Large Number of Department Employes to be Dismissed

PROGRESS OF THE FUNERAL CORTEGE IN OHIO.

Prospect of Capturing Jeff. Davis's Specie and Baggage Train.

Gen. Lee Now on the 20th 146 Parallel.

(To the New Orleans Bee.)

Baton Rouge, May 4, P. M.—By the arrival of the steamer Ben Stickney we have New York dates to the 29th.

New York, April 29.—The *Herald's* dispatch says Rear Admiral Porter has been detached from the command of the North Atlantic Squadron. Commodore Radford succeeds him. The *Commercial* Washington special says the surrender of Gen Johnston to Gen Sherman will soon mark the termination of the war. It is not apprehended that any great difficulty will be encountered in disbanding the rest of the insurgents. Gen. Grant having virtually concluded the war will return to the army and apply himself to the reduction of the military forces. The economization measures have already been taken for a large curtailment of expenses. The policy to be adopted towards the rebels in civil life who have not availed themselves of President Lincoln's amnesty begins to excite attention. It is probable that they may soon find it too late to avail themselves of its provisions.

New York, April 29.—Transactions in gold are very limited and the price weak. The rolling figures this morning have been 146¾. Now that the military events have ceased to affect the standing of the public credit the fluctuations in gold are chiefly the result of the changing aspect of foreign exchange and other movements affecting the supply of gold.

Cincinnati, April 29.—Notwithstanding the inclement weather crowds of citizens gathered at the Cleveland depot to take their last look at the corpse. Left on time, and at 7 o'clock the rain ceased. Governor Brough, Gen. Hooker Senator Sherman and others from Columbus are on the train. At 7.30 we reached Columbus. An immense assemblage received us. The Committee of Arrangements took charge of affairs. The coffin was scarcely carried to the hearse which was similar to those used in other cities. The flowers contributed at former places along the line still lie on the coffin. The procession then formed. The 88th Ohio Volunteers acting as escort and the veteran reserve corps as guard of honor.

New York, April 29.—The *Post's* Washington special says it is estimated that Secretary Seward can save one year's time in the military service at least 50,000 persons.

The latest advices show there is a good prospect of capturing Jeff Davis's specie and baggage train if not himself and cabinet.

General Ingalls, Chief Commander of the Army of the Potomac, and General Gibbons, of the Second Corps, arrived here from City Point on a special boat to-day. The latter brought up seventy-six rebel officers of rank, which will be presented to the War Department.

Government is establishing military posts in St. Marys, Prince George and Charles counties, Md. This is done in order to protect the loyal people in that vicinity and to prevent any treasonable demonstration by the disloyal. The prosecution which was given to the murder Booth party assumed the extent of the latter. The troops are to forage on the country and to give receipts for everything they take, which will be paid for to all persons proving their loyalty.

The Government has begun the work of retrenching its expenses, and on the 1st day of May a large number of employes of the various departments will be dismissed.

Since the resumption of travel between this city and Richmond has been removed, hundreds of passengers from the North have passed through here for the latter place, on a visit of curiosity or pleasure.

Cincinnati, April 29.—The rotunda of the Capitol was draped in mourning. The coffin was approached by steps. It rested on a mound of moss on which was dotted the choicest flowers.

The Belgian Legion for Mexico—Short note in the Minister of War on the subject.

The *Journal de Charleroi* contains the details of a disagreement which occurred at a recent sitting of the Belgian Chamber between M. Delaet, the member for Charleroi, and the Minister of War, during a debate on the Mexican question. As will have been seen by the telegram published yesterday, a duel has been the result. A painful occurrence took place on the evening of the 5th instant. In replying to M. Delaet, who had given out that blanks had been left in the ranks of the volunteers recently raised to the Mexican volunteers, in order that the power to proceeding against them as deserters should be reserved in case they should not start when they were about to join the other corps that that of going to Mexico, the Minister of War said that those only were capable of committing such infamous acts who attributed to others the intention of doing so. At the word infamous M. Delaet rose, and, addressing the President in a deeply agitated voice, asked if the words of authorization of which the Minister spoke in the speaker who had made use of it. To the great astonishment of the interpellator the Presidential answered not one word, and M. Delaet was obliged to sit down without having received from either the right or left benches the slightest indication of sympathy or respect. The member subsequently challenged the minister to a duel. It took place on the "Champ de Mars-Givroz," a little way out of the town, where the combatants were placed at twenty paces apart. According to continental usage, the adversaries do not, as with us, fire together, but draw lots as to who is to fire first. M. Delaet fired first, and his bullet grazed the general's side, inflicting a flesh wound; the general fired in his turn, but without effect. M. Delaet then went up, and stated that the words he used were not meant personally; the adversaries shook hands and each walked home. M. Delaet is opposed to the policy adopted by the government in permitting the formation of a Belgian legion for Mexico, the formation of a law in the course of the debate he had attacked the ministers for exposing the country to the hostility of the United States by unnecessary intervention in Mexican affairs.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Provost Court—Judge N. Lieber.—Jerry Carroll for selling one barrel and eleven sacks of corn, the property of the United States, said to have been a wedding of the transport, was sentenced to six months' hard labor. The receiver of the property, T. J. Kessler, was acquitted on the supposition that he had no guilty knowledge of the larceny committed to the prejudice of the United States.

H. Walker was sentenced to one year's hard labor, convicted of having introduced an improper substitute into the service, who had been dishonorably discharged.

H. S. Day, charged with disrespect and contempt to the military authorities, and contumacy to military orders, and writing a criticising letter to the Superintendent of the Draft for the Third District, was sentenced to pay a fine of $1000, or one year's imprisonment.

Recorder's Courts—Joseph Scott and Nelson charged by Mr. Gould with having stolen one dozen of ladies' corsets from them during their examination and the case was sent before the First District Court.

Edward Burke whose excessive behavior and disturbance of the peace caused surprise at different times, was again before Recorder Touard yesterday, and sent to the lunatic asylum for examination.

Wm. Wilson who was drunk and illmannered, was required to pay a fine of $5 00 and to give peace bonds for six months. Other cases got off with fines of $5 to $2 50.

First District Court.—*Judge Abell.*—E Corrie and Henry St. Amand plead guilty to the charge of having stolen a silver spoon, fork and some broken silverware. Accused await their sentence.

P. Saulisi was charged by Mr. Toriorubi with an assault and battery on his son Joseph, and found guilty.

A Notice.—Myer Kennedy, through the police telegraph, yesterday, notified the different stations that M. D. Kavanagh has ceased to be chief of the city police.

FROM OUR TESTERDAY EVENING EDITION.

BY TELEGRAPH.

One Day Later from the North

DATES TO THE 29TH P. M. BY THE JOSEPH PIERCE AT BATON ROUGE FROM VICKSBURG.

The Terms of Johnston's Surrender Dictated by Grant.

Movements of the Ram Stonewall.

ARRIVAL OF JEFF DAVIS AND HIS COMPANIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA—HIS EXPECTED INTERCEPTION EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

More Details of the Defeat of Forrest and of Late Operations in Georgia.

POST MORTEM EXAMINATION OF BOOTH—SURGICAL DEMONSTRATION OF HIS DYING AGONY.

More Developments of a Wide-Spread Plot of Murder, Arson, &c.

BOOTH'S BODY REFUSED TO HIS BROTHER—ITS UNKNOWN BURIAL.

A Herald Report of General Lee's Political Views.

No Gold or Cotton Quotations.

(To the New Orleans Bee.)

Baton Rouge, May 4, 9:10 A. M.

By the arrival of the Joseph Pierce from Vicksburg we have New York dates to the 29th.

Cairo, April 29—6 P. M.—The following embraces all of importance in the dispatches received

New York, April 29.—Newborn advices state that Johnston attempted to haggle with Grant for terms which would provide for the pardon of Jeff. Davis and the other leading insurrectionary conspirators but the Lieutenant-General would listen to nothing of this kind and Johnston was compelled to be satisfied with the capitulation granted to Lee.

The *Herald's* Washington special says, information has reached Washington that the rebel steam ram Olinda, alias Stonewall, has arrived at Teneriffe, in the Canary Islands, on the 1st of March, in 30 days from Lisbon. She was allowed to coal and provision. She was ordered to leave the port in 24 hours. She left on the 1st instant steaming rapidly southward, but the destination was not made public. The Navy Department, in anticipation of the arrival of the Stonewall in some of our harbors, is making a proper distribution of reliable vessels along the Atlantic seaboard. Intelligence of the arrival of Jeff. Davis and his cabinet party will be intercepted before reaching the Mississippi river.

The *Herald's* Selma Ala. dispatch says, among prisoners captured here, are 10 officers Lieutenant General Dick Taylor made his escape on a steamer. Forrest, Adams Rolly, Armstrong and Crossland under cover of the darkness reached a swamp east of the city and evaded capture. Officers comprising their staffs were taken. Forrest's ordnance officer, Capt Budd, report Forrest as wounded in two places in the arm. Croxton, and McCook attacked Johnston's front and rear at Tryon.

The destruction of Centreville bridge over the Cahawba and Croxtons movements to ward Tuscaloosa rendered it utterly impossible for Forrest to carry out his plans. Cahawba copied with the spectacle outside, his eyes resting with interest upon the groups of officers gathered here and there, at the corners of the court house, and recumbent upon the grass sward between. Very soon Sherman stepped to the door and called for his saddle-horse. Now, thought we, that means peace and propositions, documents and dislocation, and all is going right, for if Johnston will stop to deliberate, our old Yeoman is not only an "invincible General, but a consummate statesman, educated in both arts, dipped in the Styx all over, and defies the devil himself or any devil from in war or diplomacy. Soon Johnston disengaged himself entirely from the proceedings within, and stepping into the yard, addressed with a kind expression a common soldier, and entertained both the man and himself with the inspection of a Spencer carbine. This little act spoke volumes. It was the act of a brave and noble heart, lately misguided, now chastened by age, by defeat and conviction, willing to be a child again, ask pardon of God, and submit himself, repentant, but serene, to the judgment of an injured but generous country. Poor old man! of so much better metal than the vile hands that made these their tool, go thy way. But Hampton "Old Wade" was to be rewarded to-day.

His son was there, however, and how sorry I was to find his frank face, so much more genial than his father's, covering the same fiendish principles of savage, South Highland inveteracy, and bloodthirsty, clannish hate, that ceases only in death, whose hope is despair, and whose curse is blood. "I want one thing," said he, with his quiet, smiling, treacherous of long settled resolve, "for independence, and I expected to keep on fighting till I succeeded or was killed. I expected now to be the last man killed." In answer to a question—"No, I would not try to induce my men to follow a hopeless cause to their own ruin. Those may go home who will. And those only remain who wish to stay feeling as I do. I expect most of the cavalry and much of the infantry to join us. We are not yet prepared to think our cause entirely hopeless. We do not yet despair of intervention. You will invade Mexico, to depose Maximilian, we will support him. You may be sure we will be ready to oppose him, and then Napoleon will take our part against you, and we may yet by this means achieve our independence. At any rate we shall continue to fight you, even without hope. It has now become a personal matter. Of property I think nothing, but my home has been violated, and some of my kindred have fallen, and I feel bound by ties most sacred to me, to continue to the bitter end. A Southern John Brown with a vengeance. He declared candidly that he had no opinion of the doctrine of secession had proved absurd and suicidal.

He seemed particularly interested by the assurance that even the radical party of the North, now that the war drew to a close, were inclined to leniency, and asked me to read him Henry Ward Beecher's sermon on the point, published in the *Brooklyn Standard*, of Sunday. He also expressed deep regret at the death of Mr. Lincoln, whom he seemed to appreciate as the best friend to the South he ever had. He said he, fine, despite his faults—faults of education and association, I could but but esteem and admire his manly candor and chivalric gentleness, and my heart yearned for him while he bitterly cursing the peculiar institutions whose poisoned atmosphere alone has corrupted such a noble nature. Let us hasten to cease the cursing and execration of a noble race from baneful influences.

Johnston and Breckinridge came from the house together. At the gate they both took leave of Sherman, the latter courteously lifting his hat again, as the day before, also to the rest of us. Breckinridge, however, very stiff, passed with Sherman only, and then strode on and through the gate toward his horse, without so much as a glance deigned to meaner mortals.

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Persons who have been arrested, and some will only escaped shooting, on account of their resemblance to J. Wilkes Booth. Among the recipients of police attentions from the cause was Mr. Ingles, leading actor at McVicker's Theatre, in Chicago, whose parallels likeness to the photograph of the handsome assassin seems to have been such that it was difficult to undeceive his captors sufficiently to admit of resuming to the theatre for the performance. One young man is said when the heavy hand of authority fell on his shoulder with the words, "You are my prisoner, arrested for the assassination," &c.

SURRENDER OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL RICHARD TAYLOR.—We learn that news was received here this morning that Lieutenant General Taylor surrendered yesterday with his whole command to Major-General [illegible] country east of the Mississippi river, and [illegible] of course, similar to the surrender of [illegible] Lee's army by Gen. [illegible] *Mercury*.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

BEE OFFICE,
THURSDAY EVENING, May 4, 1865.

The commercial week closes to-day with a better feeling in Sugar and Western Produce, but with our leading staple quite unsettled by the accounts from New York, or rather by the absence of any explicit information in the dispatches from that market on the 29 h ult. In fact our commercial circles have been much annoyed throughout the whole week by the absence of sufficient details to inspire confidence in the quotations telegraphed to the press. We learn that on Monday, the 24th ult., Middling advanced 2-16 to 2c., but in the course of the improvement was not stated; on the 26th, agreeably to the telegrams to the St. Louis Democrat, the market was "more active and decidedly higher at 56@57c for Middling, closing at 57 c; on the 27th, it was reported "less active and lower at 51@53c for Middling;" on the 28 h it is quotation is private telegrams were 50 cts. Ranging from 52@54, and now we have a dispatch of Saturday the 29th, which only states that the market was "quiet and lower." We are not aware that the above particulars of the markets on the 24th and the 26th have appeared in our city papers, and in the prevailing uncertainty caused by these telegrams, operators have daily given way for the past three days until the greater part of the advance real zed in the early part of the week has been lost.

The intelligence with regard to Gold has been nearly as unsatisfactory, but the telegrams to the Western Press state that on Wednesday the 26th, the market opened at 152, declined to 151¾, and closed at 150¾; on the 27th it opened at 149¾ and closed at 147¾; on the 28th it it was reported as having closed at 146¾; and now we have a telegram of the 29th without any quotations or other particulars. Under the prevailing uncertainty our market opened this morning dull and drooping, but with no apparent disposition to go on either with buyers or sellers. At a late hour, however, purchases could have been made at the reduced rates of 142 to 142¾. Sull later in the day there was some enquiry and at the close the market was quoted at 142¾ to 143, against 142¾ to 143 last evening. Nothing was reported in Silver, but American half dollars are quoted at 132 to 134 and Mexican dollars at 142¾ to 144.

We have no new features to notice in Foreign Exchange, but the market ruled rather more in favor of buyers. The sales of Sterling include two good bankers bills at 174¾ and 150, but they can hardly be quoted over 149 to 150. General Johnston and Governor Allen's Memorandum bill was passed at 149. Other sales were made at 149¾ to 149¾. Francs 5.20 to 5.18¾ and Bankers bills 197 to 198. The sales of Francs to-day include a first class private bill at 3 62½ and a good bill at 3 60 to 3 57½. Private bills may be quoted at 3 60 to 3 75.

Domestic Exchange continued quiet, with a very limited counter demand, which the Banks and dealers are willing to meet at par and 50c. The only sales reported outdoors were some New York Sight at ¼ premium, $5000, on sight Boatmen at ¼ premium, and $3000, Boston Sight at par.

The Stock market continued dull and drooping, and the only sale reported was a small amount of Gas Light, particulars not stated—City Bonds also are neglected, and the Consolidated are quoted at 80@81, with holders open to offer. The Railroad issues are nominal at 70@72½. There are very few of these offering.

We have but little variation to notice in City Treasury notes, which rule at 1 @1½ discount, dealers buying at 1½ and selling at 1. The following statement of the Sub-Treasury at this moment was reported in Bank notes—Merchants' Bank bills are quoted at 3 @3½ per dollar, Bank of Louisiana at 3c.@3½c, Louisiana State at 37 4@40. Union Bank (for the new and larger issue) at 53@56c, and Crescent at 62½@65½. Our quotations are predicated on payment in legal tender Notes. Bank notes, which command 1 2 1% per cent over City Treasury notes. Under the latter are still the general medium for exchange in our local trade and received for both State and City taxes. We are reminded to repeat that with regard to the City taxes for 1865, discount is allowed on all payment prior to the 1st proximo, and 1 per cent, if paid in May.

COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE BEE,
Thursday Evening, May 4, 1865.

COTTON.—The market opened very moderately with only a moderate enquiry, buyers evidently still awaiting later accounts from New York, but after the receipt of the dispatches reporting the last market was quiet and lower, holders evinced a willingness to meet the demand at easier rates, and the day's business resulted in a decline of ½@¾c per lb. Sales of Ordinary, Reduced, early in the morning, at 40c, to be delivered, part Reduced, at—, 100 bales taken by one buyer on private terms, and 15 bales at auction, as follows: 1 bale from Pickings at 89c, 11 bales Pickings at 43½, 5 good do at 42½, 5 Reduced at 42c, 1 Strict Ordinary Reduced at 42¾, 3 Strict Good Ordinary, Reduced and Re-leaned, at 42¾, 1 bale good Sandy at 39½, 12 boxes Strict Ordinary at 42c, 1 Good Ordinary at the same, and 1 Low Middling at 39½. The market closed too dull to manifest for regular quotations. Some few sales were reported at Strict Ordinary at 41½ to 42c, Low Middling at 39 to 39½, while ordinary would quote at 37 or 38 c lower. It is manifest that a large part of the advance established in the early part of the week has been lost, and to the last three days. The week's sales sum up 18 00 bales against receipts of about 1 200.

GOLD.—The market has been somewhat unsettled in the market for Sugar yesterday was fully sustained to-day, and the prices paid for Louisiana yesterday, were offered and refused to-day. Sugar is very scarce, and the demand is good. Molasses is in request