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Messrs. Drake & Markham, No. 56 Camp street, have no "Clay Statue" in front of their door; but have the Finest Shoes in the City.

☞ Copies of the BEE can always be found at Mr. Augeste Simon's Bookstore, No. 85 Bienville street, between Union and Perdido.

On our second page will be found sheriff's and auction sales, bank notices and various miscellaneous advertisements.

We are obliged to the officers of the steamer Mollie Able for St. Louis and Cairo papers of the 11th inst.

Mr. Felix Saron, No. 214 Baronne street, corner Girod, has received by the French ship "Saint Paul," from Havre, a large assortment of choice perfumery from the celebrated manufactories of Lubin, Guerlain and Ledverst. See his advertisement.

We are obliged to the purser and Captain Blanchard, of the steamship Star of the Union, for courteous attentions.

The officers of the steamer Francis, from Mobile, have obliged us with the latest copies of the papers of that city.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—LONDON ASSURANCE passed off admirably to a full house last Monday night.

Although the other parts were well rendered, Mr. Floyd's Dolly Spanker, Mr. Fiske's Mark Meddle, and Mrs. Chanfrau's Lady Gay Spanker were, decidedly, the most telling personations of the evening. The spirit with which Mrs. Chanfrau played was almost contagious. As to Mr. Floyd's Dolly, it was a piece of real acting. Dolly, drunk, discussing politics and asserting his marital rights, was capital.

Last night Bull Waters Ran Deep was presented to a rather slim house—at least, for the Varieties. What is the matter? Has the public lost its taste, that it should prefer London Assurance to Bull Waters Ran Deep, which by the way is as superior to it as the second part of Henry IV is to one of Wycherly's or Congreve's comedies.

A capital bill to-night.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—We looked into the Academy last evening and found it packed from pit to dome. Judging from the temper of the audience, this week's programme seems to be as taking as that of the opening week.

THE NOT A FABLE.—The immense and universal demand for the Fragrant Sozodont is a marvel in the Annals of Dentistry! It exceeds that of all other decoitrices combined. Neither acid from the stomach, nor any other corresponding element generated by indigestion, can effect a set of teeth regularly purified by this Fragrant Vegetable, antiseptic and preservative.

Experience Versus Sentiment.

In a recent address to some colored soldiers in Washington President Johnson, as reported by a Western dispatch, said: "I do not pretend that I am stronger than the laws of nature, or that I am wiser than Providence. It is our duty to try and discern what are those great laws which are at the foundation of all things, and having discovered what they are, to conform our actions and our conduct to them, and to the will of God who ruleth all things." To a casual glance the political bearing of these simple and modest remarks would appear but dimly perhaps not at all. Yet they contain ideas which lie at the bottom of one of the two great schools of political philosophy which contend for supremacy in the civilized world. Thousands of persons of fair intelligence will listen with incredulity, or with total incomprehension, when told that metaphysics may control political or theological abstractions shape the practical charities and moralities of life. But they would not find it difficult to understand how this could be, if they were to trace the influence which the fundamental ideas of the two schools above referred exert in conducting to diversities of opinion on all questions of ethics or expediency that may be encountered in the progression of human history. These ideas import two radically different methods of reasoning, and those who make their point of departure in one, and those who make their point of departure in the other, are likely to be always as widely apart as the respective bases from which they have started.

The adherents of one of these methods of reasoning proceed upon the inductive, the adherents of the other proceed upon the deductive principle. Writers on metaphysics have usually designated the latter as reasoning *a priori*, and the former as reasoning *a fortiori*. From the days of Sir Francis Bacon the *a priori* method has been discarded by the greatest philosophical as well as practical minds as utterly sterile for the purpose of investigating facts and arriving at truth. It begins by assuming everything, and therefore can prove nothing. Its ostensitious logic, applied to questions which depend upon the verification of facts, is mere assertion endlessly reasserting itself. Yet it has a powerful attraction for the novice, the bigot, and the fanatic. It furnishes a cheap means to the conceited but indolent mind of appearing wise, and affords a guise of plausible sophistry for passionate opinions that have revolted against the requirements of sound reasoning and are impatient of the suggestions of experience.

In our national politics it has been observed that the Northern mind, the New England mind more especially, tended to the *a priori* habit of thought. It delighted to seize hold of unestablished generalities—generalities often flatly contradicted by palpable experience—and to construct out of them preconceive systems to which governmental and social organizations must be forced into absolute conformity, no matter what amount of dislocation or mutilation the process might involve. To this school of political philosophy, to which individual sentiments were set above the municipal law, and were held as of higher sanction than the laws of nature, and as the authentic interpretation of the will of Providence, was opposed that to which the Southern mind seemed somehow naturally to gravitate.

It was in the latter school that President Johnson was educated. The cast of his thoughts, the manner of his speaking have of late striking, by displayed the effects of his education. They are utterly free from the arrogance and dogmatism which in some degree is sure to crop out in the utterances of even the most moderate and refined of those who graduated in the other school.

President Johnson does not defy the laws of nature, on the negro question, or on any question; nor does he erect some fancy or some frenzy, some sentiment couched in glittering but vapid phrase, into an oracle of the Most High. But, using his faculties as not abusing them, he is ready to submit without complaint to the laws of nature, how to the wisdom of Providence, and is intent on trying, by the induction of experience, to find out those laws, and to conform his conduct to the dictates of that wisdom, which ruleth all things well.

He, therefore, does not tell the negro that, if experience go against the adjustment of attempting to depict the black element into harmony with our American society, he must die miserably in the desires of the unopened continent—positively what the negro has been told by his New England friends—but he tells him hopefully, in due time, Providence, working by experience, will point out to him a path of conduct to a land of promise fitted to the preservation and happiness of his race. So also he throws heavy cumbrous upon Southward the philanthropy that is guilty of experience when that which begins and ends in a dogmatic sentiment.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(To the New Orleans Bee.)

From Mexico—Decline of the Imperial Cause.

New York, Oct. 17.—Mexican and Honduras advices say the English Government has repudiated the attempt of Maximilian, in 1861, to extend the boundary of the Empire into British Honduras by means of a military mail from Yucatan.

The British Minister denies Mexico's having any claim to his territory, and Senor Romero, on behalf of that Government, regards Jones's supporters of being extremely active in Mexico.

Leading Republicans are defraying the expenses of arming guerrillas.

The cause of the Imperialists is decidedly declining, and considerable confusion prevails in and around Tampico.

It is reported that Maximilian has forwarded $5,000,000 to Washington to influence Congress to recognize his Government.

Additional troops from France have arrived in Mexico.

New York, Oct. 16.—The *Tribune's* City of Mexico letters says the move from the interior and frontier is not so favorable for peace as the friends of the Empire might desire, that resistance to the imperial troops by Juarez is out of the question.

Trade was exceedingly dull, and the roads were in a miserable state from wet weather.

THE EIGHT MILLION DEFICIT CONTRADICTED.

The *Times's* special from Washington says the statement that there will be an eight million deficit, when the mail is resumed in the Southern States, is untrue. Reliable sources show that the Post Office Department South as well as North will be self-sustaining.

FROM HONDURAS AND CUBA.

Business of Belize, Honduras, is very dull.

The planters of Cuba have addressed a memorial to the Madrid Court asking for the abolition of slavery on the island.

MEETING OF THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE.

Jackson Miss., October 17.—The Legislature convened yesterday. It opened its session by inaugurating Gov. Humphreys, and elected Jno. M. Simonton President of the Senate, D. Porter Secretary, S. J. Gholson Speaker of the House of Representatives, and H. C. Miller Clerk.

Gov. Humphrey's inaugural address will have a good effect among the people. He said that as State has the constitutional right to secede, and that it is to be regretted that State rights politicians could not have found some other method for solving the question than by the arbitration of war.

He is in favor of the absolute freedom of the negro, but is most emphatically opposed to either social or political equality of the race. He says the Government belongs to the white man and must continue so such.

GOING AFTER THE STONEWALL.

The United States steamers Rhode Island and Hornet will sail for Havana on the 20th to bring away the rebel ram Stonewall.

DAVIS' REPORTED ESCAPE NOT CONFIRMED.

The *World's* Washington special says the report of Jefferson Davis' escape from Fortress Monroe as reported yesterday, has as yet not been confirmed.

RAVAGES OF THE CHOLERA IN SPAIN—IT IS INCREASING AT MARSEILLES.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The State Department learns that the cholera has almost entirely disappeared from Constantinople. At Palermo the deaths numbered 180 daily.

The disease was spreading into the interior of Spain frightfully, and was on the increase at Marseilles—20,000 had left the city.

FROM EUROPE—THE FENIAN EXCITEMENT.

New York, Oct. 17.—By the Nova Scotia, at Father Point, we have the following items of European intelligence:

At Liverpool the Fenian agitation was still rife. The police are searching people aboard steamers and sailing vessels to discover arms, ammunition, documents, &c. So far the search appears abortive.

MARINE NEWS—FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

Southwest Pass, Oct. 17. — Arrived this morning, brig Benjamin Delano, 33 days from Galveston, with 450 bales of cotton. The captain reports that he put into Sabine Pass on the 7th, in distress, and left on the 14th.

Schooner Highlander, from Brazos; schooner Kate, with ten passengers, and schooner Margaret, with three passengers, from Matamoras.

The steamship Guiding Star and bark John Trucks are still on the bar.

Wind southwest; moderate.

Southwest Pass, Oct. 17.—The steamship New Jersey from Appalachicola went up through Pass a Loutre at 10:30 this morning, ran ashore 3 miles above the Head of the Passes and will have to be pulled off.

The tug boat A. Fletcher passed up at 4 o'clock this evening.

The Guiding Star is still ashore with no prospect of getting off as the water is very low.

Nothing else in sight.

Wind light from the N. E.

(12:15—Lines interrupted East of Memphis.)

FROM EUROPE.

(Special to the Picayune.)

New York, October 16.—Nova Scotian Liverpool 5th. Cotton advanced; sales of the week 180,000; speculators took 26,000. Sales Friday twenty-five Middling 24¾, closing buoyant. Breadstuffs unchanged. Provisions firm. Coffee steady. Rice dull. Sugar firm. Consols declined 89½. 5-20's unchanged. Money active. Bank of England advanced rate 6. Bank of France 4. Bank of Frankfort 4½. Bank of Prussia 6½.

New York, October 16.—Bullion in the Bank of England decreased seven hundred seventy thousand pounds.

New York, Oct. 15.—A meeting was called in London of persons interested in Southern States to ask of banks or railways prior to the war with a view to recovering money due.

The London *Times* pronounces recent publications of names of holders of the Confederate cotton loan as malicious fabrications.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, Oct. 16. Messrs. Stephens and Reagan are to have a special interview with the President.

Last week the President signed nine hundred pardons.

NORTH CAROLINA CONVENTION.

The North Carolina Convention have passed a resolution requesting the President to remove the negro troops from North Carolina.

SOUTH CAROLINA EPISCOPAL BISHOP.

The Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina has issued an address, in which he takes strong ground against a reunion with the Northern churches, and in favor of the separate organization and independence of the Southern churches.

THE PERSIAN CONGRESS.

Philadelphia, October 16.—The general Congress of the Fenian organization in the United States assembled in this city to-day.

PROFITABLE INVESTMENT.—The attention of capitalists and parties wishing to invest in stocks and residences, advantageously situated in the 1st, 2d and 3d Districts, is particularly called to the sale of real estate by G. de Forest, auctioneer, which will take place this day, at twelve o'clock, M., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange. The eligible lots situated at the corner of Franklin and Canal streets cannot fail to attract the attention of those designing a safe and profitable investment. See advertisements published elsewhere.

LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES IN ASCENSION AND ASSUMPTION.—We learn from *Le Drapeau*, (Donaldsonville) of the 14th instant, that Mr. Henry Duffel has been nominated Democratic candidate for Representative from Ascension parish, and that Messrs. J. B. L. Dugas and Capt. J. B. Watkins have been nominated Democratic candidates for Representatives from Assumption parish. The name of the third candidate is not given.

ARRIVAL OF THE STAR OF THE UNION.—The steamship Star of the Union, Capt. A. Blanchard, from New York 7th inst., with merchandise and passengers, to A. Meahen, arrived at her wharf this morning at 9 o'clock. The Star of the Union reports having passed the steamship Guiding Star on the Bar. The following passengers arrived on the Star of the Union:

Miss Brown, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Bell and child, J. Bryant, G. Bryant, F. Brown, Mrs. Brown and child, Mrs. Wigginton, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Gilmore and two children, G. B. Jones, Mrs. Jones and child, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Hall and child, Mrs. Hall and child, Mrs. Hall and child