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THE LAST SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

The session of Council on Tuesday evening last did not indicate that its members had made any effort at improvement since their previous meeting, a week ago. The same want of harmony, the same incompetency, and the same confusion of ideas still prevail. The Council ought to have met with a clear knowledge of the duty they were required at this particular moment to perform. They ought to have been prepared with a well digested measure looking to the protection of the city's financial credit and the punctual payment of rapidly maturing debts which must be met. That is the paramount duty of the Council at this time. There is indeed thousand dollars of interest are due on city obligations on the first of October ensuing and no preparation has been made, so far as we can learn, to pay these indebtedness. It is not in that wrangling set to the legality or the policy of the late negotiation of bonds which not contribute to the reputation of the city with capitalists anywhere and without their help, the corporation must go to protest and thus render futile all the efforts which have been made to place its finances on a better footing. Something has been said about the want of authority in the Council to issue the seven per cent bonds issued under the law of February 27, 1869, and sell them at a discount, and it is true that the law requires they should be given only at par to the creditors of the city, the holders of the floating indebtedness of the city outstanding and due on February 25th, but the Legislature could not compel the city's creditors to take twenty five year bonds at par if they did not choose to do so, and we believe there has been no demand for these bonds from the class of creditors for whom they were designed. The Council may have made a mistake in contracting the debt due to the Funk and Mell-nough funds, and the debt due to the Consolidated Fund for moneys borrowed, as being part of the floating indebtedness mentioned in the act of February 27, 1869, authorizing the issue and disposition of these bonds. We rather think it was an error so to construe them, because these Funds could probably wait for the amount due them and because after issuing the Funds and the Mercantile Police, there was little or nothing left, with which to take up the judgements, warrants, and other indebtedness mentioned in the act. We think it would have been better to have applied the bonds to the immediate necessities of the city, which was the object of the Legislature in passing the act. As to the discount suffered by the negotiation of the bonds, it would not be difficult to convince the Legislature that the loss was done that could be done, and a robust financial body an act ratifying the transaction. The Legislature desired to enable the city to pay its pressing indebtedness, and if the city with the concurrence of the Fiscal Agent, effects this object on as favorable terms as can be obtained the purpose of the Legislature will have been accomplished. The Legislature will know that Louisiana State bonds were selling in New York on State account three weeks ago at less than seventy cents on the dollar. They could not reasonably require the city to get more. The fact is, the scheme of the Legislature to relieve the city, to some extent, failed, and it was absolutely necessary to raise money in some way.

If that money be faithfully applied, we have a right to expect the sanction of the Legislature. An irregularity may have been committed, but if no wrong has been done, the Fiscal Agent will be able to make it appear that the funds entrusted to him have been applied in substantial accordance with the design of the Legislature.

Let us have prompt action and harmony in this matter.

An Unworthy Proposition.

The proposition made by a member of the City Council on Tuesday evening last, to repudiate a debt due by the city to the Funk and Mc Donogh trust funds, because the money was applied by a former Council to an illegal purpose, will not be sanctioned by this community. The insensibility to wrong, out of which has grown a proposition to commit an act so unjust and so illegal has elicited already much censure. If the money had not been borrowed, or if it had been borrowed from those who were aware of the illegal purpose for the borrower, the case might have been different, and a suggestion to repudiate the claim might have been defensible, but as it is, no one valuing the fair fame of the corporation of New Orleans can listen to it for a moment. To resist the claim, on the ground of prescription, is equally indefensible under the circumstances. The enemy of the law upon which the plea of prescription is based is the debtor that the creditor has been guilty of injustice in not prosecuting his claim within a reasonable time and that his demand is stale. But the facts of the present case do not justify the plea of prescription. The debtor and the creditor are here one and the same person, or rather the corporation held these funds in a fiduciary character, that is, held them as a trustee for others. It would be a monstrous doctrine that a trustee should be able to plead his own want of fidelity as a reason why he should not account to those who reposed trust in his integrity. We can only account for a suggestion like this by attributing ignorance of the relations sustained by the corporation to the funds in question, or a very confused idea of sound trust laws. We shall hope that before the next meeting of the Council ideas somewhat clearer and sounder will have penetrated the minds of some of our city fathers.

WRITINGS OF MAJOR GEORGE MCKNIGHT—The friends and admirers of "Asa Hartz" (the well known nom de plume of Major McKnight) will be happy to learn that a compilation of his writings is about to be made. The work is to be published for the benefit of his family. When these productions appeared in ingitive form, they were read and appreciated by many persons who were not acquainted with the author personally, on account of the rare humor and originality which pervaded them. We dare say they will give not less pleasure in the book form they are about to take. Major Mc. Knight's widow, we understand, is desirous of procuring subscribers to this publication, as a means of aiding her to bring it out. The book will contain about 500 hundred and fifty pages, and the price will be $1 50.

A list will be found at the office of the *Bee*, where any one desiring to subscribe can enter his name.

And he did many wonderful works in much that his name was pronounced in many tongues. And there came unto him, Judas from the respect of New Bedford, who had been with her many years, and after some days their names were gone. She slept soundly, and did rejoice in eating her food. And Asa, from those which are called Quakers, to the great city of Philadelphia, wrote an epistle saying, O, Doctor! accept thou the money, which is called greenback, and hath the picture of Abraham, thy friend, on one end. For verily I was weak, ashamed and despondent. I ate but little, and suffered many pains, and thy PLANTATION BITTERS gave me health, likened only unto the vigor of youth. And upon such as are afflicted with liver complaint, with sour stomach, with general debility and dyspeptic pains I tell these of the land did these Bitters produce a comfortable cure.

MAGNOLIA WATER—Superior to the best imported German Cologne, and sold at half the price.

The steamship Trade Wind, Capt. Morrill sailed after 3 M yesterday, for Belize, Honduras with the U. S. mail and the following named passengers, and a full freight:

John Weber, Judge Conde, James G. Comer.

REPORTED HOMICIDE—We hear that a party, whose name we have not ascertained, was killed at Duncan's new mill, near Covington. The difficulty is said to have grown out of business matters. The homicide escaped.

LEGITIMATE.—The Tuscaloosa *Spectator* of the 18th says:

From what we hear the present week the prospect for fine crops of cotton is not very brilliant. The cause is small and the unfavorable weather, for some time has had been seen only felt by the growing rugar cane. Many planters will have trouble getting out a sufficiency of fuel on account of the stage of water in the swamps. The rice crops is good, and promises to be late raise a one not been very serious. The health of the parish is good as we usually have at this season of the year, there being nothing but small mild cases of ordinary fever.

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An Anecdote of Gov. Seward and One of His Old Friends.

[From the New York Sun.]

During Mr. Seward's first term as Governor, the anti-rent troubles assumed a formidable aspect. The Helderberg was intensely excited; Sheriffs were defied, and a resort to arms seemed to be approaching. Under the act of the Legislature, Seward appointed a commission to inquire into the grievances of the tenants and the rights of the landlords, naming, as one of its members, his old friend Garry V. Sackett, of Seneca county.

A day was fixed for Gov. Seward and Commissioner Sackett to visit the infected district. The Anti-renters, who had never been honored with the presence of a Governor, resolved to turn out in force to meet His Excellency, and selected an orator to receive him with a congratulatory speech, quite losing sight of the Commissioner.

The day arrived, and Seward and Sacket went out in a four-horse barouche. Sacket, who stood six feet three inches, and always dressed in the Westerman blue coat and buff vest, with an amplitude of white vest and an imposing gold-headed cane, was never better got up than on this grand occasion, and of course bore a striking contrast to the little little Governor. As they descended from the carriage, the crowd of Anti-renters cheered lustily, and their Head Center stepped forward, signalled his manœuvre, and opened his oratorical battery upon Sackett, with "Your Excellency," said he, in his speech, while the mass rallied out for three cheers for "our noble Governor." Sackett, waving his cane high in air, shouted at the top of his voice: "Sir, gentlemen! You have made the same mistake that the people of this State have made. They doubtless ought to have made the Governor, and perhaps intended to do so, but, in fact, they have chosen this gentleman," turning to Seward, "whom I now present to you as Governor Seward."

Speech from the Hon. S. S. Cox.

The Hon. S. S. Cox, after a long absence in Europe, was serenaded at his residence in New York on Thursday night by a large company of friends. In answer to repeated calls he addressed the company. After expressing his gratitude for the welcome, he touched upon politics and said:

In America we have still the same picture of which States are miserable misgovernedStates which, four years ago, were acquiescent in our national authority, which were ready and anxious to resume their full sense in the national council, are yet disfranchised. There are scenes of disquietude and conflict. The spectacle is a disgrace to our age, to the decade, to the very year we live in. It is a vicious government which does not give the people contentment— What can be said of an administration which, of ex necessity, drives the people to one course of action with a view to handing all the fresh and bleeding wounds of civil war, after saying to certain States, 'Accept the situation, accept the ugly suffrage, accept the amendment, be ruled by your former slaves, succumb to black ignorance and irresponsible power, either or both,' and after these States and communities in despair follow the compulsory advice, then to save the head of the administration, for party and sanctimious purposes, deliberately turn his back even on the miserable devices which he had counseled, to foment other and worse schemes of discontent and anarchy! It is both a crime and a shame.

But the cannot last forever. The party of the people must and will amend it. That party is the democracy. They bear a banner that has never been furled. Faith in the forces of industry, free commerce, free banking, and free currency, shine upon it with more than usual brilliancy, because of the darkness of the opposite. Let the democracy stand by the conservatives of the South. Let them take counsel of the tactics and principles by which Virginia was won. No looking back to dead issues. Wave of violence and institutions of barbarism are gone. It is our now to grapple and throttle class legislation and monopoly, to destroy the despotism of labor, to champion again the principles of domestic expansion—not the expansion of irresponsible sovereignty or usurpation, but the expansion of territory and the establishment anew of local self-government. Let it demand the standard money of gold and silver, and the repeal of the atrocious bank which shackles commerce and paralyzes industry—*Etc.*

CUBA.

Full Particulars of the Battle of Las Tunas The Adventures of the Battle with the Cubans.

The New York *Sun* of the 11th inst. gives the following account of the great battle between the Cuban patriots and the Spanish volunteers:

At 5 o'clock on the morning of the 16th ult., Col. Enrique De Boniche, commanding the garrison of Las Tunas, sent out a picked battalion of regulars to reconnoitre in the environs of the revolutionary forces, which he was aware were marching from different points on the road to Las Tunas. The commander at the head of the reconnoitering party was Jose Valera. He did not venture half a mile before he met a considerable body of Cubans, already upon the march towards Las Tunas. Col. Valera ordered a hasty retreat of the city. On his way back he met his undertook to drive in a number of beef cattle, but was soon compelled to see that they had to abandon the undertaking. So closely had the Cubans followed Valera on the retreat that as he passed into the city the insurgents opened fire on the rear, and immediately following, at 1:30 A. M., the Cuban army opened at artillery fire upon the city.

They succeeded in simultaneously on four sides, and, as the Spaniards report, began the battle with the beating yells. Col. Boniche appears to have received from the first attack, and had not had the presence of mind to order a hundred cavalrymen out of the city, and to make for their several garrisons for reinforcements. All the cavalry five of them were driven back into the city.

According to the best information obtainable in Cuba, from 600 to 650 men, under the command of Manuel Quesada, Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban army.

The Cubans came into the battle with cries of their wives and children ringing in their ears. They wanted to whip the Spaniards, but they must have won the coveted stores of clothing within the walls of Las Tunas for their well-shod naked wives, mothers, sisters and children.

Quesada, under the circumstances, would not have risked a battle against so large a Spanish garrison, which in all particulars was well appointed and supplied, were it not for the fact that he was under full headway at a quarter to 5 o'clock Col Valera, second in command, endeavored to break the lines of Quesada's forces on the southeast of the town, so as to gain the rear with cavalry and artillery. He was driven back, after a sharp and disastrous engagement.

Meantime, the Cubans pressed forward. Their few pieces of artillery—reported by the Spaniards to be Parrott guns—were soon served, and opened the four gates leading into the city.

Before reaching the gates Quesada had to carry an outside line of intrenchments, which entirely surrounded the city. The suddenness and early hour of the attacks, together with the strand error which Quesada had caused before the city, demoralized nearly the whole garrison. Boniche alone seemed to realize the position.

Had he partaken of the momentary demoralization of the troops, all the garrison would have been captured.

Col Valera contested the street leading into the city on the south, inch by inch. Capt. Martin Alfonso commanded the Spanish force on the Bayamo road, Col. De La Torre commanded on the Holguin side.

Quesada's artillery first opened from the Macaree Hills upon the Church of Jesus, where a company of Spanish riflemen were stationed, upon the towers and on the roof. The two towers were utterly riddled. The riflemen were dislodged, and immediately following Quesada, in person, led a column of his army through the southern gate into the city.

This was a signal for a hasty retreat of the whole Spanish garrison into the plaza, or guard square. Artillery, infantry and cavalry rushed pell-mell into that square, which, being surrounded by larger and stronger stone buildings than the surrounding houses formed for them an easily defended fortress.

At noon Quesada had secured three hundred thousand dollars' worth of stores, of all kinds. Half his command kept Boniche's army besieged, while the other half pillaged the groceries, warehouses, and retail and wholesale stores alike.

During all these hours the Spaniards fought like regulars, but were repulsed from every point from which they undertook to break the lines of the Cubans.

Carlos Manuel Cespedes, his Cabinet and nearly the whole number of the members of the Republican Congress arrived in the neighborhood of Las Tunas at 11 A. M., and took a commanding position on the Macaree Hills, overlooking the city, but by 12 M. nearly every member of Congress had mingled in the sanguinary struggle. At a quarter past 1 o'clock, fire and a half-hour after the firing in the rear began. Quesada ordered a retreat from the city. He would have continued the battle, after securing the needed stores, until he had compelled the Spaniards to surrender, but his scouts from the Bayamo and Holguin roads came, reporting two thousand Spaniards coming from either of these two fortresses Boniche.

The great object of the battle had been obtained in securing the much needed stores, and Quesada and Cespedes could not afford the chances against the garrison, augmented by two thousand fresh troops, coming on to them from the rear.

The Cubans lost two hundred and fifty in killed and five hundred men wounded. The number of the Spaniards killed could not be ascertained.

The *Diario de la Marina*, of this city, accurately reviews the unfortunate affair, and says that with two hundred and odd wounded and thirteen missing.

MR. PEABODY'S DONATION TO WASHINGTON COLLEGE, LEXINGTON, VA.—A letter, of 15th inst., from J. M. Loech, Esq., the able and efficient clerk of the Faculty of Washington College to Robt. M. Lusher, Esq., agent of the Peabody fund for this State, announces that Mr. Peabody has placed the bonds donated in the hands of a gentleman of high character for the enforcement, and the employment of the proceeds for the benefit of the college. They are coupon bonds, worth, with interest, $50,000 or $60,000, which were paid for by Mr. Peabody and lost at sea, and which, unexpectedly returning in a just claim against the State (Virginia). They have been regularly reported as part of the State debt, and pre-sedate, old and recent, would justify and require their release. Hon. Henry A. Wise, who was Governor at the time of the loss, considers the claim valid. In the case of an individual or banking corporation, there is no doubt that the court would enforce the claim.

Mr. Loech adds: "It has been assiduously circulated that the debt is worthless, with motives which are certainly not friendly to Washington College, nor to the illustrious donor, who would seem to mock the college with an empty gift. The great reputation of Mr. Peabody cannot suffer by the imputation of having offered an idle and meaningless compliment to the cause of Southern education; nor will less cause suffer by the failure of Virginia to recognize her just debts, or of Washington College to use judiciously this munificent donation."

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Jefferson City Affairs—Pending the proposed impeachment of Warmoth's appointee, Mayor Leche, Mr. Lowe, President of the Board of Aldermen of that place, has assumed the discharge of the duties of the office. Leche has told him to beware, that he will hold him responsible for taking possession of the office, and in the meantime furnishes a printed poster which speaks for itself, as follows:

NOTICE.—To the people of the City of Jefferson. Irrespective of parties—The deplorable state of affairs in which an incompetent and unscrupulous majority of the Board of Aldermen is placing this city in, makes it requisite that I should call a mass meeting of the citizens, irrespective of politics, to take place at the market square, on Saturday evening, September 25, at 7 o'clock, to discuss matters of vital interest, and also to lay before you the abstract to be submitted. Also, all those interested in the Sand question are urgently requested to attend

F. J. LECHE, Mayor.

Jefferson City, September 22, 1869.

Leche's trial is fixed for Friday night.

Miss Marriott—Of this article, who makes her first appearance in this city at the Academy of Music, on the 27th inst., the London *Times* speaks:

Miss Marriot, the enterprising Directress of Sadler's Wells, has made an attempt in the legitimate way, which, had it proved less successful, might have been considered extremely hazardous; in a word, she has revived "Hamlet," and assigned the character of the Danish Prince. A female hamlet is not, indeed, with out precedent, for the part was played by Mrs. Siddons during an engagement at Bath, but still it is a sufficient novelty to raise much curiosity among those who still take interest in the vicissi ndes of the poetical drama. Miss Marriott first played the character on the occasion of her benefit, and if she had failed, she would probably have allowed it to be forgotten as a benefit freak. But her success is most signal and unequivocal. Her Hamlet is not only a well-considered and well-studied, but an extremely finished performance. Her gestures have received from the Italian school, while unmarked by the slightest affectation, are thoroughly trained in all the discipline that belongs to the male actor; yet, while she becomes thoroughly manly, she is never "mannish," as many ladies become when they assume male attire. Her declamation is correct and eloquent, and her more passionate utterances are both strong and spontaneous.

More remarkable than all this, perhaps, is her power of facial expression. The situation, in which Hamlet sees the effect of the play in catching the conscience of the King, and which chiefly depends upon mute action, could scarcely be more finely rendered. A very hypercritic wants to make an objection, he may remark that Miss Marriott somewhat misses the light comedy element in Hamlet's nature, and is too uniformly grave. But the objection is not unanswerable, and though Miss Marriott is grave in speech, she is always youthful and buoyant in demeanour. Taken altogether, her Hamlet is a very singular result of talent, courage, and industry, and may fairly be expected to create a sensation far beyond the great City of London. It is the Hamlet of Miss Marriott that will attract the Shakespearians to the Shakespearian year.

Governor Warmoth—Governor Warmoth is said to be in California. He joined Senator Kellogg in San Francisco.

§*The Crescent Material*—The U. S. Marshal effected the sale of but a trifling portion of the material of the *Crescent* office. The furniture of Col. Nixon's editor's room was bought by the proprietor of the *Louisiana Courier*, and the counting room furniture by the proprietors of the *Republican*, which will be moved to the *Crescent* building. Half a thousand dollars were bid for the four cylinder Hoe press, which cost about $30,000.

The Fuller Case—Col. Fuller yesterday furnished the bonds of $20,000 required for appearance before the U. S. Circuit Court in November. Mr. Marchand, of the city, is his bondsman.

Receipts of Cotton.—The Belle Lee, Captain White, arrived yesterday morning with 1,067 bales of cotton, and the Wild Wagoner, from Natchez, brought in 1203 bales.

The Case of Col. Fuller.—At one last Colonel Fuller had not furnished bail, and was in charge of the U. S. Marshal at the St. Charles Hotel. We can hardly doubt that he will be able to procure suitable bondsmen.

Hear, Lawyers—During the temporary absence of Capt. Sall on the 10th instant, the 253 Tchoupitoulas street, his residence was entered, we learn, and robbed of a gold watch and about $100 in money.

Attempted Burglary—About 1 o'clock yesterday morning an attempt was made by unknown thieves to burglariously enter the premises of Mr. A. Thompson, on Camp street, between Erato and Thalia. They were discovered by a servant and jumped the fence, leaving a hatchet behind them. It was brought to Detective Seating by Officer Bradley.

The Red Stone Burglars—Charles F Lorenburg, alias Charley Baumgaster, was brought up yesterday morning before Recorder Gastinel, charged by Capt. Bodger, Sergt. Madden and Officer J. Dumas, with having, about two weeks ago, committed a burglary in the Red Stone, opposite the French Market, and robbed Messrs. Lazarre & Co. of about $1200 in dry goods.

Mr. Francis Lazarre, proprietor of the Red Store near the French Market, sworn—The robbery was committed in the night of the 7th and 8th September. One of the Venetian blinds of the door was broken, and said parties reaching away seven pieces of printed cotton, valued at $100; one piece of casemere, $20; ten pieces of muslin, $25; ten pieces of flannel, $100; two pieces of French merino, $30; ten pieces of delaine, $50; one piece of Scotch plaid flannel, $25; eight pieces flannel, $100; three pieces of velvet, $50; twenty-five pairs of ladies' breeches, portfolios, rings, etc., $100, from the store of witness. Witness has recovered some of his goods at the Atalanta Club, Mr. Chayot and Mr Marx Felix, in the Parish of Plaquemines, by virtue of a search warrant and the assistance of Officer Wilson, who was present when a piece of checked plaid was found at the house of Mr. Chayot, which he identified, and value at $25, also three pieces of velvet, $50, and other goods to the amount of $100. He also recovered some of the goods at the store of Marx Felix, in the Parish of Plaquemines, which he identified as stolen from him.

Mr G. Kolbiecz, 123 Orleans street, clerk of Mr. Lazarre, corroborates the testimony of gentleman witness. Mr Kolbiecz identified the goods found at the premises of Messrs. Chayot and Marx Felix, gave a description of them and their value, recognized the goods as being part of the goods which were stolen from the store during the night of the 7th and 8th September.

Mr. Chas Chayot, sworn—Resides in the parish of Plaquemines, at Pointe a la Hache; two miles below the Courthouse. Witness knows the accused, Lorenburg. He came to witness's store about the 10th of September, and asked witness if he would not buy some goods. The goods after wards found at witness's store by the police were the same bought from Lorenburg. The latter stated he (witness) was very hard up for money, that he would sell them cheap. Six persons were present when witness bought the goods. The accused was alone when he offered the goods to witness.

Question by Lorenburg—Did I carry the goods into your room?

A—I don't know.

Marx Felix, residing at McCall's Landing, in the parish of Plaquemines—Witness knows the accused, Lorenburg. The goods found by the police at his store he bought from the accused on the 9th of September.

Capt. A. S. Badger, Third Precinct—From information received, he arrested the accused on the 12th of September.

Pierre Conlon, Bartholomew street, (stall 136, Beef Market)—Knows the accused; rowed down to the parish Plaquemines with the accused in a skiff. The goods were delivered over and he did not know anything about the burglary committed. He was merely hired by the accused to row the skiff down. Time was at 4 o'clock in the morning of the 8th September. Witness saw the accused take the goods out at the landing.

Question by accused—Did you see me carry the goods into the skiff? A—I did not.

The goods and parties were then taken, and the two country merchants gave bonds for $5000 each to appear before the First District Court when the cases will come up for trial. The witnesses, Philip and Conlon, were bonded for $1000, all signing their own bonds. The Recorder sent Lorenburg, the accused, before the First District Court, fixing bail at $5000.

Stabbing—Mike Keeling was yesterday brought before Recorder Beeker, on the charge preferred by John McLaim with having on Monday, the 20th instant, between 6 and 7 o'clock, stabbed James McLain, a boy eighteen years of age, with intent to take his life. The accused was remanded under $2000 bonds.

Attempted Suicide—About fifteen minutes past 12 o'clock yesterday morning, John Patton, a fisherman, while under the influence of liquor, attempted to commit suicide while bathing in the river opposite St. Philip street. He was rescued by the police.

Sheriff's Fees—Sheriff Maxwell, for the information of suitors, has published circulars showing the fees of his office as far as established by the last fee bill of the Legislature, as follows:

Service, etc., of petition and citation, $1; attachment, $1 50; sequestration, $2; arrest, $2; provisional seizure, $2; first fieri facias, (satisfied,) $4 50; first fieri facias, (not satisfied,) $1 25; habeas corpus, $1; subpœnæ, 40 cents; attachment for witnesses, $1; venire, $1, summoning jury, $1; summons, $1; taking bond, 50 cents; notice to creditors, 25 cents; orders and notices not provided for, 50 cents.

Charges—Making out advertisements, for 100 words, $10; commission on sales, not to exceed $500, 2 per cent; commission on sales, second $500, 1 per cent; commission on sale, after first $1000, ½ per cent; commission for collecting rents, first $500, 1 per cent.; commission for collecting rents, after first $500, ½ per cent., keeping to be fixed by court, or per day, $2; mileage, per mile, 5 per cent.

That Rocking Chair.—Mr. Charles Summers has preferred charges of perjury against Mrs. Laura Wilson, in about the same rocking chair, in reference to which she had been arrested on like charge. The case this time comes up before Recorder Becker.

THE ESSENCE OF MEANNESS.—It seems almost incredible, but it is nevertheless true, that the Secretary of the Naval Commission lowered, soon after having, by an official order, caused the Government work-shops to be closed during the day of Secretary Belcher's funeral, *docked the sportsmen for the loss of the day!* We know not by what terms to designate such an act as that. Call it "a deed without a name."

The rumor that Gen Granville M. Dodge, of Iowa, will succeed to the War Department, recalls the fact that soon after the close of the war Gen. Dodge was in command of a post in Louisiana. One day the Adjutant-General received an official communication from him, stating that he had been offered $50,000 to wink at certain cotton speculations, and refused it. The bid had been increased to $100,000, and then to twice that amount. The General said he had refused all the offers, but the last sum was "very near his price," and he wished to be relieved before a tender call on his probity was made. His request was granted.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

Treasury Arrangements for Furnishing Small Change.

Seizure of a Store by Revenue Officers in Memphis.

Suit Commenced Against the Officials for Damages.

More Donations by Mr. Peabody.

FROM EUROPE.

The London Times on Spanish Affairs.

Sickles in a Quandary.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Coupons due in November will be redeemed at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.

To relieve the small note famine the Controller will receive large notes of their own issue from national banks, and give them in exchange smaller notes, with as little delay as possible.

Internal Revenue receipts to day $300,000.

The Treasurer has received $180,000 in fractional currency to day.

Forty more iron clads are now ready for sea.

President Grant was at the State Department nearly all of the afternoon.

The United States Government, learning through parties who had visited Spain, that its mediation between Spain and Cuba would be accepted, instructed Minister Sickles to tender its friendly offices.

Spain has formally replied thanking the United States Government and declining to enter into any arrangements with the insurgents on the basis proposed. There is no reason to believe that Spain invited other European powers to intervene in the concerns regarding Cuba.

Spain having declined mediation, there is nothing else proposed by our government.

There are no more appropriations here.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Cincinnati, Sept. 22.—Three boys were burned in several frame houses

Memphis, Sept. 22.—Last evening Supervising Enditor and Deputy United States Marshal Kuhr entered the store of Johnson & Richardson, of Edwards, Pettigrew & Co., and demanded the books of the establishment. The firm refused to deliver them up unless by regular process of law, whereupon the officers took possession of the store.

To-day the firm entered suit against the above named officers, Collector Fleming, Collector of Internal Revenue, for one hundred thousand dollars damages, and also procured a writ of injunction, forbidding and restraining said officers from forcibly and unlawfully taking possession of their store. The parties will doubtless be arrested to night.

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 22.—The Democratic Convention was called to order at 3 P. M. Ex-Senator Dickinson made a speech, in which he severely criticised Grant's patronage, and deprecated his treatment of the South, and condemned his making voters regardless of race or color.

Oil City, Pa., Sept. 22.—The Standard Oil Works are burning, the efforts to check the flames being fruitless.

Baltimore, Sept. 22.—Mr. Peabody met the trustees of the Peabody institute to-day and made an additional donation of three hundred thousand dollars in Tennessee sixes and one hundred thousand in Virginia sixes.

Cincinnati, Sept. 22.—It is stated that Congressman Cory is organizing workingmen's clubs, in opposition to the Fifteenth Amendment.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE

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DOMESTIC MARKETS.

New York, Sept. 22.—Cotton opened heavy and declining, but closed firm at 28¾ & for middling uplands. Sales 2800 bales. Flour heavy —superfine State $6 to $6 15; common to fair extra Western $6 25 to $6 80. Wheat closed rather heavy. Corn, shade firmer; mixed Western $1 29 to $1 31. Mess Pork $31 75. Lard, heavy; steam 18¾ to 18¾c. Whisky firmer—ranging from $1 16 to $1 21. Turpentine 44 to 44c. Rosin $2 30 to $8 Freights dull.

New York, Sept. 22.—Money active to the close, at 7 currency to gold, with commissions added. Sterling weaker, closing at 7. Gold firmer, and settled by wire-taps and the efforts of a clique of operators; an immense business was done, and the rate ran up to 131¾, during the short interval, and closed at 131¼. After violent fluctuations, bringing on Hudson and Central, closed feverish and unsettled. Governments heavy in consequence of the financial stringency. 5-20s of 62 closed at 121⅞. Southern Securities lower. Tennessees 61¾; new 54. Virginias 54; new 58¾. North Carolinas 56; new 58.

New York, Sept. 22.—Wool quiet; Texas 23 to 35c; California 26 to 33c. Hides steadier. 5-20s of 1862, 121¾; 64s, 120; 65s, 120¾; new, 119¾; 67, 118¾; 68s, 118¾. Louisianas 68 to 69. Levees 5s, 65¾.

Mobile, Sept. 22.—Cotton—demand fair and closed quiet, with sales of 1400 bales. Middling 26c. Receipts 1500; exports 282 bales.

Savannah, Sept. 22.—Cotton—receipts 2306 bales; sales 1200 bales; the market firm, with middlings at 25¾c.

Charleston, Sept. 22.—Cotton active but easier; sales 700 bales ;middlings at 26c; receipts 1459 bales.

Augusta, Sept. 22.—Cotton—the market firmer and prices better; middlings 25¾ to 26c.

Louisville, Sept. 22.—Superfine Flour $5 to $5 25. Grain and Groceries quiet but unchanged. Sales of 157 hhds Tobacco at $6 20 to $17 25. Pork $33 to $33 50. Bacon 18½ to 19½c. Lard 18½ to 19c. Sugar 23 to 25c. Bagging 26c. Whisky unchanged.

Chicago, Sept. 22.—Flour—spring extra $4 75 to $5. Wheat 165¼. Corn 80½c. Oats 44¾c. Rye 87¼c. Barley $1 40 to $1 42. Highwines $1 10. Cobs Sugar 13¼ to 15s. Pork $31. Bulk Meats—shoulders 14 to 14¾c. Lard 18¼c. Bacon—sides 17 to 17¾c; hams 17 to 18c.

Cincinnati, Sept. 22.—Family Flour $6 to $6 25. Wheat $1 26 to $1. Oats steady. Whisky $1 12. Pork $32. Lard 17¾c. Bulk Meats—shoulders 14¼c; sides 17¾c; hams 16 to 19¼c. Bacon—shoulders 15½c; clear rib sides 18c. Sugar 13¾ to 15c.

St. Louis, Sept. 22.—Flour—superfine $4 50 to $5 15. Wheat—No 2 red fall $1 06 to $1 09. Corn 83c to $1. Oats 43 to 45c. Barley $1 45. Rye 83 to 85c. Whisky $1 10 to $1 11. Sugar 13 to 14¾c. Pork $32 25 to $33. Bulk Meats—shoulders 15c; clear rib sides 18c. Bacon—shoulders 15½c; clear rib sides 19¼c; clear sides 19½c. Lard 18 to 18½c.

RIVER NEWS.

St. Louis, Sept. 22.—River declining steadily.

Memphis, Sept. 22.—Passed up—Nick Longworth. River 9 inches higher. Weather cloudy and sultry.

Vicksburg, Sept. 22.—Passed up: The Stonewall at 10 A. M. Down: The Mary Houston at 11 P. M., and Lady Gay at 5 P. M. River stationary.

Louisville, Sept. 22.—River falling, with 4 feet 4 inches in the canal. The Ohio barely navigable above Cincinnati.

FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

Southwest Pass, Sept. 22.—6 P. M.—Barometer 29.70. Wind east, fresh. Nor arrivals or departures.

[Previous Dispatches.]

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Alexandria, Sept. 22.—It is reported that the Vice Roy of Egypt has countermanded the order for preparation for a journey to Constantinople.

New York, Sept. 22.—The *Herald* states that the manager of the Methodist book concern denies that there has been any embezzlement as stated, but admits that it driven to extremities, he will fight—no doubt he will. For her to gain advantages by doing so is out of the question; but no matters stand she would loose less than her adversary

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