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ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The Hidden Hand; or, Old Virginia as it Was." Benefit of Mr. and Mrs. Watkins.

NOYES' CIRCUS.—Corner Canal and Villere.

ANOTHER ATTACK UPON THE JACKSON RAILROAD DIRECTORY.

The stockholders of the Jackson Railroad have been aroused by the repeated attacks which have been made to embarrass the road and its Board of direction. These efforts seem to be of a systematic and determined character. The latest one is in the form of a proceeding in the United States District Court sitting in bankruptcy. Mr. Michael Gernon, of this city, is the nominal plaintiff in the case, but it is likely that he is acting as the instigation of more formidable parties than himself, who desire to keep in the back ground for the present.

The grounds upon which he asks that the Jackson Railroad Company should be declared a bankrupt, are that the company has failed to pay certain debts which it owes to him, and that it has given a preference to one of its creditors over the rest. We understand that neither allegation is true and even if both were true as alleged, they do not furnish sufficient grounds for granting the prayer of the petitioner. The Jackson Railroad Company have not made any payment to D. D. Withers, as alleged by Mr. Gernon, and even if they had, Mr. Withers had obtained a judgment of court for his claim which would have protected the company against any such proceeding as this. Mr. Withers' claim has been paid by friends of the company—bondholders of the road, we believe—who have become subrogated to the judgment obtained by Mr. Withers.

A similar attempt to put the Opelousas Road in bankruptcy, it will be recollected, was made a year ago. The allegations were also of a similar nature in that case, but the attempt failed, Judge Durell deciding that a railroad company was not embraced in the Bankruptcy law of the United States, and that the Opelousas Railroad Company was not in an insolvent condition and therefore its affairs were not a subject for judicial inquiry.

If the Opelousas Railroad Company were not in an insolvent condition, certainly the Jackson Railroad Company are not, for the affairs of the latter are in even a better condition at this time than those of the former were, when the application was made to Judge Durell.

The Times of yesterday reproduces, and we copy below, the points of the argument made by M. M. Cohen, Esq., for the Opelousas Company, and the points of Judge Durell's decision responsive thereto.

The section of the Bankrupt act under which both suits were instituted, reads thus:

"Or who, being a banker, merchant, or trader, has fraudulently stopped or suspended, and not resumed payment of his commercial paper, within a period of fourteen days, shall be deemed to have committed an act of bankruptcy."

To bring a corporation within the scope of this provision, Mr. Cohen contends that three things are necessary to constitute—1. Suspension of payment, an act of bankruptcy, and that none of the three apply to the corporation. Mr. Cohen illustrates and demonstrates this position in the following clear and logical manner:

"1. He must be a banker, merchant or trader.

"2. The stoppage or suspension must be fraudulently.

"3. It must be stoppage or suspension of commercial paper.

"And firstly of the first—A banker is one who keeps a bank or performs the business usually transacted by a bank, receives money on deposit, to be returned on demand—discounts notes, negotiates bills of exchange, etc.

"A merchant is one who buys and sells merchandise, or whose business is mercantile, who traffics with foreign countries, exports and imports goods.

"A trader is one who deals in a trade, such as carpenters, shoemakers, etc., or one who deals by way of exchange; one engaged in trade or commerce; a dealer in buying and selling or barter.

"The Railroad company is neither banker nor merchant nor trader.

"Secondly, of the second—Mr. Edwin James, in his work on the bankrupt law of 1867, says: 'Who being a banker, merchant or trader, has fraudulently stopped or suspended payment, and not resumed payment of his commercial paper within a period of fourteen days.'

"This act of bankruptcy is confined exclusively to *bankers, merchants* and other *traders*. It is the first time in legislation here or in England that such an act of bankruptcy has been created. By the English bankrupt acts the suspension or payment by a banker, merchant or trader of his commercial paper and liabilities, is resolved into an act of bankruptcy by summoning him before the court of bankruptcy, and if the debt or demand be not paid or arranged to the satisfaction of the creditor within a prescribed time, the non-arrangement or non-payment within the prescribed period constitutes an act of bankruptcy.

"This provision of the section will apply immediately for the case of banking and trading corporations and joint stock companies.

"The bankrupt law does not say that to stop or suspend payment is an act of bankruptcy; but to do it fraudulently is an act of bankruptcy in a banker, merchant or trader.

In a subsequent portion of his argument, Mr. Cohen cites a decision of the Judge of the United States Court for the District of Louisiana, to the effect that the suspension must be fraudulent.

In our issue of 26th March, 1869, we published a Decision sustaining the above as well as all the other positions taken by Mr. Cohen for the Opelousas Railroad Company and which seem to be also applicable to the Jackson Railroad Company on the legal question involved in the case. The decision referred to is as follows:

Durkee et al. vs. all New Orleans, Opelousas and Great Western Railroad Company.—Judge Durell yesterday dismissed the petition against this company on the following grounds:

1. That a railroad company is not embraced in the bankrupt law of 1867, and that this act of Congress does not apply, and was not intended to apply, to a railroad company.

2. That the New Orleans, Opelousas and Great Western Railroad Company is not, and was not insolvent, and therefore its affairs are not a subject for judicial inquiry.

3. That the defendants never committed an act of bankruptcy and never made an voluntary payment fraudulently, or with the intention to give a preference to any creditor over another.

He declined that the interest coupons of the railroad company, being not commercial paper, and that a suspension of payment on them is not an act of bankruptcy.

He also held that the question of insolvency was to be tested by Louisiana law and not by that of any other State; that where the whole credits and property equal the debts, the party is not insolvent, and that the assets of this company exceed its liabilities.

He declined that they never intended to give a fraudulent preference, and never suspended payment on any paper but these interest coupons.

PHOTOGRAPHS—ORIGINALS AND COPIES. A good picture is invaluable. Our readers will, therefore, be glad to know where it can be had. Mr. Washburn's gallery, at 113 Canal street, we should judge is the place, from the numerous visitors who frequent it, and the amount of work which he dispatches. His location is central, being near the Clay Statue, and his work is executed in the highest style of the art. He gives particular attention to copying and enlarging old daguerreotypes, ambrotypes and photographs. Also, paintings in oil and water colors.

We acknowledge receipt from the author, through the hands of Messrs. A. C. Waugh & Sons, of this city, of pamphlets with the following titles:

1. "Bounty to Shipbuilders and Stockholders not Projection to Commerce." By an American Shipmaster.

2. Are the Interests of a Few Shipbuilders More to be Considered than the Interests of Commerce? An address delivered before the Special Committee of the House of Representatives on Merchant Interests, Washington, March 19, 1870. By John Colman.

3. Review of a Report to the Secretary of the Treasury in relation to the Foreign Commerce of the United States, and the Decadence of American Shipping. By Jos. Nimmo, Jr. Chief of Tonnage Division, Treasury Department, January 31, 1870. By an American Shipmaster.

STORE OF TWELVE BUILDINGS FOR RENT.—See Mr. Henry Shepherd's advertisement elsewhere.

AMUSEMENTS.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—The La Rue Minstrels are again the attraction at the St. Charles to-night. There are some fine singers in the troupe, and novelties in the line of their programme.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—To-night is fixed for the benefit of the popular artists Mr. and Mrs. Watkins, who appear in Wallack's favorite drama "The Hidden Hand; or, Old Virginia as It Was," in which they will be assisted in songs and dances by a troupe of Southern minstrels. On Monday the popular musical genius, author and composer Lingard, and the charming Comedienne Alice Dunning, with their entire comedy company, from the Opera House, N. Y., make their first appearance.

NOYES' CIRCUS.—Noyes' Cuy Circus.—This popular circus continues to attract fine audiences at the beautiful and comfortable Paris Circus Pavilion of Messrs. Spaulding & Bidwell, corner of Canal and Villeriè streets. Among the attractions is the beautiful Millie Turnour, in her graceful and daring feats on the swinging trapeze, and the fearless bareback riding by Fred Barclay.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF ST. ANNA'S ASYLUM.—A grand entertainment for the benefit of this very worthy institution, is to be given at the Opera House, commencing at 8 o'clock this evening, and comprising singing, dancing, refreshments and tableaux, all under the superintendence of a large number of prominent gentlemen and elegant ladies, whose names are a guaranty that the affair will be of the most recherché character, such as cannot fail to attract a large attendance of the beauty and fashion of our city, especially in a cause which appeals so strongly for the sympathy and support of the public as that of charity. At least we hope we shall not be disappointed in their response on this occasion, as the friends of the Asylum have, we are sure, never made a call for assistance except under circumstances of the greatest necessity for meeting the demands of the institution.

There will be singing by the popular basso, Mr. Van Heusen, late of the Opera House, and by the Mendelssohn Club and perhaps others, and fine orchestral music. After the tableaux which, we understand, have been prepared with considerable expense and taste, there will be a ball, at which, it is fair to presume, the elite of our city will be represented by many of our most charming ladies and gallant attendants. In keeping with all this we need not add that the refreshments provided for the occasion will be excellent.

As a crowded house is anticipated, we are requested to state that to afford ample room the third tier of the building will be open both to ladies and gentlemen. The entrance to this tier is on Toulouse street.

THE SUGAR SHED COMPANY.—In our advertising columns to-day will be found a correct list of the present Board of Directors of the Sugar Shed Company, including the names of five directors who were added to the list at a meeting held on the 19th instant.

SAILING OF THE YAZOO.—The steamship Yazoo, Captain Catherine, sailed last evening for Havana and Philadelphia, with a full freight and the following named passengers:

For Havana—J. Monasterio, Martin Treron, W. A. Stevenson.

For Philadelphia—Simon Potogan and wife, A. Cramer and others.

NOT "THROUGH A GLASS DARKLY."—But open to the light. Piver's "Vitalia, or Salvation for the Hair, shines through the mountainous bottles that contain it. The shades of color it communicates to gray hair are natural, and it is devoid of any sediment. Sold by all druggists and fancy goods dealers.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Increase of Representation.

Washington, April 15.—Acting to the rule in force in the House in the morning hour of Monday, bills can be rushed through without explanation or debate, under the whip and spur of the previous question. This was the way in which an important bill, increasing the apportionment of the House to 243 members, passed Congress from two hundred and forty, the present basis, to two hundred and seventy-five members. It was also the way the Eastern members fought it with every available parliamentary motion, but it was carried by a small majority. The effect of the bill is to decrease the representation of Vermont, New York, Massachusetts and Maine, and to increase that of Ohio, Kentucky, Kansas, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Alabama, Texas and Wisconsin. An effort is to be made to defeat it in the Senate.

Negro Suffrage.

A bill was introduced into the House today by General Paine, of Wisconsin, submitting a bill to reduce the taxes of the people of the United States. It provides that from the 30th day of June, 1870, there shall be a reduction of 30 per cent. on all internal taxes, and of 10 per cent. on all import duties then imposed by law, excepting the stamp tax and internal taxes and imposts duties on spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, and on compounds, and on tobacco and cigars. As soon as the tariff bill is disposed of it is the intention of Mr. Paine to press this bill to a vote, and, in his view of the case, thereby obviate the necessity of passing a tariff or tax bill. The bill is popular, and probably can be passed at this session of Congress.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs to-day had under consideration the Cuban question, but took no action.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

To the New Orleans Bee.

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Congressional Proceedings.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Washington, April 21.—The President signed the Deficiency Appropriation bill to-day.

The writing of the name and date over revenue stamps will be a sufficient cancellation.

The May interest to be paid on or after Monday next will be paid with rebate.

No new case involving the legal-tender decision can reach the Supreme Court within a year.

Commissioner Delano decides that tobacco and cigar manufacturer bonds need not be renewed on the 1st of May of each year, provided the amount of the old bonds are deemed ample, and the sureties good and sufficient.

The receipts of citations of the principal ports for the week ending the 16th inst., are nearly $6,000,000.

Admiral Porter this afternoon received dispatches from Admiral Gordon, at New York; and Captain Steadman, at Charleston, announcing they had received dispatches signed Cortez, announcing trouble with Spain. Admiral Porter telegraphed back that he had sent no such dispatches.

The court-martial in the case of Commander Upshur, of the navy, on the charge of cases of corruption, met to-day, and adjourned without transacting any business. Gen. Badeau has been nominated Consul General to London.

There were no Southern nominations made to-day.

Internal Revenue receipts to-day $300,000.

Washington, April 21.—The Senate confirmed Mr. Fisher, as United States District Attorney, vice Carrington, and Wm. Jones, as Collector, at Dallas, Texas.

Washington, April 21.—RECESS.—After a sharp contest it was decided that the question of publishing executive journals be referred to the Committee on Rules.

A joint resolution for the protection of the Postoffice Department from sham bidders and bad contracts passed—yeas 36, nays 18.

Mr. Thayer introduced a bill for the collection of debts due the Government from railroad corporations.

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In the proclamation, the Emperor gives a resume of the reforms introduced since 1860 to the present moment, and dwells on the fortunate results to come from them, namely: The stability of the institutions, and the easy transmission of power to the heir of the throne.

The formula of the plebiscitum is brief and simple. The vote will be taken on the 8th of May, verified on the 10th and the result officially announced on the 12th.

Prince Napoleon will left Paris before the recent debates in the Senate, because the Emperor desired that he would take no part in the discussion on the succession to the throne, returned on Saturday.

Marquis De Andelarre, the leader of the left center in the Corps Legislatif, publishes a letter denying the report, that the left centre had ceased to exist as a party.

London, April 12.—A further hearing of the Mortham divorce case is postponed.

The *Globe*, in its city article, ascribes the prevailing depression in American railroad securities to the mismanagement of the Erie road.

Dublin, April 21.—Several cases of Agrarian brutality are reported in the County of Meath.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

Liverpool, April 21.—Evening.—Cotton closed steady; uplands 11d; Orleans 11d; sales to-day 10,000 bales, of which 2,000 were for export and speculation.

London, April 21.—Evening.—Consols closed 94¼. Bonds 93¾. Tallow firmer.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

New York, April 21.—Evening.—Cotton firmer, closing quiet; middling uplands 22c; sales to-day 2,000 bales.

New York, April 21.—Evening.—Money closed at 5@6. Sterling dull at 9. Gold closed at 113¾. Government securities closed unsettled. Southern State securities firm. Corporation closed quiet and firm.

New York, April 21.—Evening.—Cotton 22¼; sales to-day 2,000 bales. Flour 5@10 better; sales 7,300 bbls. Wheat 1@2 better; sales 28,000 bushels. Corn 2@3 better; sales 56,000 bushels. Pork firmer; new mess 20.75@21. Lard firmer; steam 13½@13¾. Whisky dull at 93. Groceries firm and unchanged. Freights dull.

Louisiana, 73; new, 73½. Alabama 93½; 5s, 85. Georgia 86; 6s, 85. North Carolina 22½; new, 57. South Carolina 75; new, 87.

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MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Corinth, Miss., April 21.—Governor Safford arrived at 4 o'clock 18th inst. The people turned out in hundreds and escorted him from the cars to the Court House, where he was welcomed on behalf of the citizens by Major Monroe. The Governor replied briefly, stating that he was in Utah for the purpose of enforcing the laws of the United States. When he cannot do that he will return to his home. The Constitution and laws must be respected and obeyed everywhere, and this applies to the Ku-Klux as an exception to the rule. Judges Hawley and Strickland, of the Supreme Court, and General Maxwell, Register of the Land Office, following the Governor, showing the intention of the Government to suppress polygamy and compel Utah to submit to the authority of the Republic. The time had come, and that abomination must go down, and fellowship with it. The people are parading the street and cheering for the first real Governor Utah ever had.

Jackson, Miss., April 21.—The Legislature have appointed a committee to prepare an address to the Governor asking the impeachment of Judge Shackleford for releasing Yerger.

Baltimore, April 21.—The steamship Ohio, from Bremen, has arrived. On the 16th she spoke the British steamer Vancouver, from Liverpool for the West Indies, with her rudder gone. After a consultation it was thought he could reach port without assistance, as passengers had been taken off by another steamer.

Albany, N. Y., April 21.—The accounts of damages by the flood are very heavy. The disasters in Cahoes, Troy, Cox and Belknap can have an influence?

New York, April 21.—The head of Department sees fit to introduce it. But each member feels that he is running his own machine, and there is at best but a poor understanding between the different machines.

Our further investigations have found this to be the fact: We have seven Presidents. Each controls the State Department, without reference to any other. Boutwell is lord of the Treasury; Cox is lord of the Interior, and Belknap the War Department. Each is a President in his own domain, and the President is a cipher, silent, suckling Executive, with an abundance of time to put on a white neck tie and swallow-tail, and attend every entertainment to which any one may invite him. I meet him frequently upon the streets, mooning along, with cigar in mouth, and ungloved hands behind his back.

When we come to look further, we find that the State Department is worked by that learned old rogue, Caleb Cushing.

We all know that when the morbose Fish finds himself in trouble, he calls on Caleb. Caleb rushes up and comes down to read him that famous Alabama dispatch, and tried after to make up the verses Burdine for the same purpose, but failed. We cannot be said to have Caleb, and that is the end of the matter.

If the resurrected statesman of the State Department could only be induced to call on the other old case of Jerson-Boles, called Gov. Black, and "the ornate Senator, they would fetch the Department within about a century of the present time.

The breezy Potter is master of the navy, while an absurb law and an unjust rank rules the army, which is ominous of evil to the War Department. Rawlins has gone there, but for Belknap, who stands very coolly on his own heels.

For the first time in our history, we make an approach to the bureaucracy of Europe, under the monarchy. Such a Government means nothing at home and drifting abroad. In our foreign affairs we have no policy, and, at home, Hiram Serene "stands on his own ridge, and says: 'Better move on without me.'" Such is the other rear, although the people are suffering heavily taxation and hard times. We have had a year of this sort of thing, with the grim prospect of having another, unless the Democratic party can rally. Then, and then only, our excellent President will quietly step over, and smoke silently on the other side.

Well Said.

Gen. D. H. Hill is one of the most unreconstructed incorrigibles in the whole country. We sometimes wonder why it is that Holden or Grant don't take hold of him. His pen is as pointed as his sword was sharp, and he shows no quarter. He has lately been analyzing the grounds for Grant's vulgar, meant sneer at the Virginia slavery, and his rebuke of the sneerer is scorching. We submit the following paragraph as a specimen:

We have examined patiently the sneer of the man who, by the power of the bayonet and the strength of the negro vote is President of the United States. We think that the South has no cause to be ashamed of her past history. She has produced no Ulysses S. Grant, but she thinks that her George Washington is his equal. She cannot boast of a spoon-thief like B. F. Butler, but she points meekly to her incorruptible John C. Calhoun. She does not number among her jewels a Reverend Sereno Howe, a Rev. Horace Cook and Rev. B. F. Whittemore, but she claims that her clergy have preached the truth as it is in Jesus with faithfulness and simplicity. She has no unarmed daughters strolling over the land, shrieking about woman's rights, but she has modest maidens and true-hearted wives, who are content to occupy the sphere that God placed them in. She has been so backward in "manufactures" that she has manufactured no new religions. Mormonism, Fourierism, Communism, Freelovism have had no favor in her eyes. She has been satisfied with the old Family Bible and the dear old teachings of the holy men of a by-gone age. May a merciful God long preserve her from the curse of a more materialism and the awful sin of its necessary attendant, a low, beastly sensualism, such as now sneers over the land of "manufactures."

From St. Landry Parish.

The *Courier* has these items:

SUICIDE.—On Saturday last, Mr. Louis Frilot, residing in Prairie Plaisance, in this parish, committed suicide by blowing out his brains with a shot gun.

It is said that family troubles and misfortunes were the reasons which led him to the commission of this act of despair.

Mr. Frilot was an honest man, much esteemed by his neighbors, and will be regretted by his family as well as by those who knew him.

MURDER.—Yesterday morning, the body of Jesse Hutchins was found about a mile North of our town, on the public road leading to Washington. A superficial examination revealed the fact that he must have been beaten to death with a club which was found lying near him, as marks of heavy blows were to be seen on the side of his head and on his face. No other weapon was found on the spot. It appears that he left his room, more or less intoxicated, at dusk, and that he had about one hundred dollars about his person.

When his body was found, his pockets were turned wrong side outwards, and it is supposed that he was murdered for the money which he had about him.

Says the Louisville *Commercial* recently:

In the course of the morning service yesterday Dr. Rice, of the Second Presbyterian Church, took occasion to speak plainly and pertinently upon the prevalent and growing disinclination among Americans, women to the bearing of offspring. The reason, or at least that portion of it which we should have general circulation.

BY TELEGRAPH.

To the New Orleans Bee.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Congressional Proceedings.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Washington, April 21.—The President signed the Deficiency Appropriation bill to-day.

The writing of the name and date over revenue stamps will be a sufficient cancellation.

The May interest to be paid on or after Monday next will be paid with rebate.

No new case involving the legal-tender decision can reach the Supreme Court within a year.

Commissioner Delano decides that tobacco and cigar manufacturer bonds need not be renewed on the 1st of May of each year, provided the amount of the old bonds are deemed ample, and the sureties good and sufficient.

The receipts of citations of the principal ports for the week ending the 16th inst., are nearly $6,000,000.

Admiral Porter this afternoon received dispatches from Admiral Gordon, at New York; and Captain Steadman, at Charleston, announcing they had received dispatches signed Cortez, announcing trouble with Spain. Admiral Porter telegraphed back that he had sent no such dispatches.

The court-martial in the case of Commander Upshur, of the navy, on the charge of cases of corruption, met to-day, and adjourned without transacting any business. Gen. Badeau has been nominated Consul General to London.

There were no Southern nominations made to-day.

Internal Revenue receipts to-day $300,000.

Washington, April 21.—The Senate confirmed Mr. Fisher, as United States District Attorney, vice Carrington, and Wm. Jones, as Collector, at Dallas, Texas.

Washington, April 21.—RECESS.—After a sharp contest it was decided that the question of publishing executive journals be referred to the Committee on Rules.

A joint resolution for the protection of the Postoffice Department from sham bidders and bad contracts passed—yeas 36, nays 18.

Mr. Thayer introduced a bill for the collection of debts due the Government from railroad corporations.

The Committee on Commerce reported favorably on the bill incorporating the Cincinnati & Chattanooga Railroad.

In the Senate, Sherman's bill passed—yeas 36 to 18. Several important amendments were adopted. The road shall be built of iron, steel and the latest improved rails. Other provisions of the bill were agreed to.

Galveston, April 21.—Cotton firm; good ordinary 18½; receipts 614 bales; exports coastwise 56; stock 38,292.

Charleston, April 21.—Cotton firm; middlings 22c. Sales to-day 100 bales. Receipts 642. Stock 12,732 bales.

Norfolk, April 21.—Cotton very firm, bid new Middlings 21c. Sales to-day 50 bales. Receipts 221; exports coastwise 617. Stock 2,026 bales.

Baltimore, April 21.—Cotton quiet and steady. Middlings 22½c. Sales to-day 100 bales. Receipts 125; exports to the Continent 393. Stock 2,548 bales.

Boston, April 21.—Cotton firm. Middlings 22½c. Sales to-day 100 bales. Receipts 250. Stock 11,000 bales.

Wilmington, April 21.—Cotton market active and firmer. Middlings 21c. Sales to-day 100 bales; receipts 107; exports 80.

Philadelphia, April 21.—Cotton firmer; middlings 22½c; sales to-day 300 bales; receipts 507; exports 80.

FROM SOUTH PASS.

Southwest Pass, April 21.—6 P. M.—Barometer 29.30. Wind south-west; light. No arrivals.

Sailed—Steamship Magnolia, ship Cora Lamb, brig Elston and schooner Elma.

FROM PASS-A-L'OUTRE.

Pass-a-L'outre, April 21.—6 P. M.—Weather clear. Wind S. S. W.; light.

Arrived—Steamship Morgan, from Havana, via Mobile; ship Cora Lamb, from Havana, via Florida ports to C. W. Williams & Co.

Sailed—Steamship Pearl and schooner Geneva.

The revenue cutter Wilderness has been engaged all day laying down buoys on this bar.

How the Government at Washington Runs Itself.

From the Cincinnati Commercial.

For a time, the all-absorbing questions were, Who runs the Administration? who is Grant's confidential adviser? The country did not find out for lack of interest. It was discovered that Grant had nothing to do with the Administration. The King snubbed and said nothing, and the Government ran itself out.

If this matter belonged to Cox's Department, and an influential gentleman or two one day, "he could accomplish something, but it pertains to the State Department.

But can't we get some influence to bear upon Grant?

Instances did not do any good. He would turn it over to Cox, or to Fish, and that would be an end of it.

But are not great questions like this discussed in Cabinet meetings? Cox and Belknap can have an influence?

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