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THE SLAUGHTER-HOUSE LITIGATION

The Butcher's Association and the Slaughter-House Company were before the Sixth District Court yesterday, on the motion of the former for an appeal to the Supreme Court from the order of Judge Ormey setting aside the injunction against the Slaughter House Company, which had been issued at the instance of the Butcher's Association. Messrs Campbell and Cotton addressed the Court in favor of the appeal, and Mr. W. H. Hunt argued against it.

The argument turned upon the question of law whether the order dissolving the injunction was such an order as could be appealed from, to the Supreme Court. The decision of this question rests in the sound, legal discretion of the court, and depends upon the fact whether any irreparable injury can result to the butchers by the setting aside of their injunction which can be estimated in money and against which injury a bond can secure them. The law says an appeal may be taken from an interlocutory order of an inferior court, which may work an injury against whom the order is directed, an irreparable injury. The butchers alleged that such injury would ensue to them were the dissolving order maintained, and for that reason they were entitled to an appeal. This position was strongly supported by the counsel for the association. On the other hand, the counsel of the Slaughter-house Company as strenuously argued that the possible injury to the butchers was capable of being estimated in money, and, therefore, no appeal would lie. A numerous array of authorities was brought forward on both sides, and the impression was that the decision of the court, which has not yet been rendered, would overrule the motion and refuse the appeal. The Judge indicated this to be his opinion by remarks made during the argument. Should this decision be adverse to the butchers, we see no reason why they should be discouraged or abandon the contest. They have able legal advisers, whose great resources are by no means exhausted, and they have almost the entire community on their side. We believe it is the opinion of the counsel of the Butchers' Association that slaughter houses may be established within the limits assigned by the Crescent City Company without making the butchers liable to any penalty. It is true, this is prohibited by the act incorporating that company, but the act is believed by every good lawyer to be a monstrous perversion of law, and one which cannot stand when subjected to the examination of a Court of Justice. It undoubtedly violates the Constitution of the United States in several respects. It interferes with the immunities and privileges of citizens of other States who wish to bring cattle to these parishes, and who have an unquestionable right to land them wherever their interest dictates. It also undertakes to expropriate the property of the cattle-dealer without giving him any compensation therefor. The Slaughter-house Act may, therefore, be taken before the Supreme Court of the United States, a tribunal which, although weaker than formerly, is yet believed to be free from those influences which have shaken our confidence in the proceedings of other and inferior courts.

It is one thing to defend a monopoly like that instituted by the butchers against these monopolists, and quite another to prosecute the butchers for a violation of the Charter of the Crescent City Company which is no law, although called a law.

We say, therefore, to the butchers, that they should not be discouraged by any little reverse such as they may meet with in the Sixth District Court. Their chief reliance is placed in the fidelity and capacity of their able counsel, who will, we are persuaded, finally be victorious. The butchers are not only fighting their own battle. They are fighting the battle of this community, and we have no doubt the community will stand by them. If the Legislature can grant to seventeen men the exclusive right to slaughter meat for our markets, it can grant to a lesser number the privilege of building all the brick or houses within the same limits. If the Legislature has such power there is no limit to restrain them in granting such monopolies.

The absurdity of the act incorporating the Crescent City Slaughter House Company is shown by every section of it. We have before analyzed it and do not now intend to dilate upon its beauties, but we may be permitted to observe that an act of our State Legislature which undertakes to say that cattle may not be slaughtered in the State of Texas or the State of Missouri, for instance, intended for consumption in the city of New Orleans, cannot possibly be binding upon those against whom it is intended to operate. According to this, the citizens of Ohio have no right to slaughter hogs and bring them to the city of New Orleans cured-lard or otherwise. Yet this sweeping provision is contained in the act. Section 5th of the act says:

It will no longer be lawful to slaughter cattle, hogs, calves, sheep or goats, the meat of which is determined for sale within the parishes of Orleans and Jefferson, under a penalty of five hundred dollars for each and every offense, recoverable, with costs of suit, before any court of competent jurisdiction. All animals to be slaughtered, the meat whereof is determined for sale in the parishes of Orleans and Jefferson must be slaughtered in the slaughter-houses erected by the said Company.

Now, whatever may have been the intention of the framers of the act, the language quoted above undoubtedly curtails the rights of the citizens of other States, so far as such an act can curtail them, and to that extent is a direct violation of the Constitution of the United States.

This law is unquestionably in violation of common right and defensible upon no theory. We do not believe any court of justice which intends to administer law according to the Constitution and tradition of the country, will ever sustain it when fairly submitted for examination. The decision of the Sixth District Court, upon the question of appeal considered yesterday, if adverse thereto, by no means implies an approval of the Slaughter House act. The merits of the suit were not before the court. The question was one of practice. When the question of constitutionality is fairly made in a shape to be passed upon, we do not believe the act can stand the test.

LET US GO AND TAKE A DRINK.—We appeal to those who run their health by drinking intemperately, at every hour of the day, whether such liquors, and we tell them that *Un the New Orleans Bitters* A very large number of people never meet without saying—"Let's go and take a drink." Every time any particular business is on the *tapis* a drink must precede it. Follow the transaction. Custom exists the origin. But custom, in this instance, is death; for no one can drink a volume than wine or opium. It is estimated that over 400,000 persons die yearly in the United States from an immoderate use of alcoholic drinks. And, let it be remembered, it is not only the quantity imbibed which acts injuriously on the system, it is also the quality.

Heartless speculators throw upon the market a mass of poisoned liquors, which they call and label Scotch, gin, brandy, rum, &c., which they sell at a ruinous profit, and by their worthless and healthy action on the stomach, poison the whole system. Stomach should not be used drinking the poisoned cup—the wine addressed to death; but it is folly on our part to indulge in drinks which do not have to be referred to health, and which unavoidably consume disease and shorten life.

We thank the Secretary of State, Mr. George E. Bovee, for a copy of the last session of the Legislature of the State.

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LAUDERDALE ORPHANS' HOME—NOTICE TO THE LADIES OF NEW ORLEANS.—The attention of the ladies of New Orleans is called to the notice, in another column, of W. J. Pinckney Smith, President of the Central Hancock Club, concerning a meeting of the committee of managers charged with the proposed entertainment, for the benefit of the Orphans' Home at Lauderdale, Mississippi, to be held at the St. Charles Hotel next Thursday evening.

We acknowledge the courtesy of Templar Lodge No. 16, I. O. O. F., in sending us tickets of invitation to the exhibition at Odd Fellows' Hall of Dioclving Views and Panoramic Scenes, on Monday, June 14.

GOOD SITUATIONS.—It will be seen by reference to the card of Dolbear Commercial College, just of all the numerous graduates of this old and popular institution, for the past 37 years, not one is now out of profitable employment.

SAILING OF THE GEN. MEADE.—The steamship Gen. Meade, Capt. Sampson, sailed last evening for New York direct, with a full freight and the following passengers:

W W Miller and wife, Mrs S Sheetz, Mrs Morrell, Mrs Jones, S N Wentworth and wife, Mrs Capt Stevens, Miss staffordsmith, Robt V Richardson, W F Summers, Robt Anderson, R S Anderson and wife, Mrs Allen and child, R Allen and 3 in the steerage.

SAILING OF THE CORTES.—The steamship Cortes, Capt Nelson, sailed last evening for New York direct, with a full freight and the following named passengers:

Mrs Noyes and servant, Albert Converse, Miss E Church, J O Harris, W H Pipes, L Levy and child, Mrs C A Lewman, child and servant, Miss L S Hatch, S B Newton, A E Delisr, wife and child, Stodish J Mason, Miss Van Benthuysen, Mrs Gosaller, Miss Gosaller, J Schmidt, John Williams and 11 in the steerage.

We are indebted to Mr. P. F. Herwig, Special Deputy Collector, for the following statement of the re-exports of foreign commodities to foreign countries during the month ending May 31st, 1869:

Gold and silver coin	$51,732
Coffee	1,780
Cotton goods	12,518
Flax, manufactures of	1,895
Drugs	311
Silks, manufactures of	351
Spices	1,081
Spirits and wines	1,129
Woolen goods	2,716
Sundries	979
	$13,102

THE LATE COMMERCIAL CONVENTION.—Mr D. C Seymour, Secretary of the Commercial Convention, recently convened in this city, has prepared for publication, in pamphlet form, a careful and elaborate report of the entire proceedings, which will constitute a volume of general interest to the public.

Correspondence.

EDITOR OF THE BEE:

NEW YORK, June 2d, 1869.

The visitor in New York, provided with an abundance of leisure and a moderate purse, may find a thousand methods of entertainment, or objects of curiosity, not set down in the ordinary routine of amusement seekers. He may jump into a stage or street car at any time, ride a distance of two or three miles, and alighting find himself still in a populous city, and surrounded by novelties which, to his stranger eyes, afford no little ground for interest. There is always something going on, wherever in the city one finds himself. Roll a hundred or two communities, each revolving in its own orbit, into one and you have New York as it appears to one who visits it either for the first time or after a long absence. Such a labyrinth of schemes, of purposes, of sorrows, of prosperities, such an inextricable tangle of opinions, and habits, and styles, such a medley of joys and griefs, all confusedly intermingled in this great Gulf-Stream, is no wonder the visitor feels himself lost in the hubbub, and amid the din, longs for the quiet of home again.

Yet, this great mass of brick and stone and mortar includes only so many people and souls. Now, for instance, a few nights since, in a church set apart for worship by colored people, there assembled an audience composed of whites and blacks, to receive with appropriate honors, Ebenezer D Bassett, a copper colored negro, who, by the favor of President Grant, rejoices in the sublime title of Minister Resident and Consul General of the United States to Hayti. Bassett is thirty five years old, was born in Connecticut, has received a liberal education, is quite intelligent in appearance, and for several years past has been principal of a Philadelphia colored school. The reception was evidently quite an event among the young bucks and "culled gentry" generally, and when the guest appeared on the platform at the head of a small procession emerging from the lecture room, the grinning of ivories and rolling of eye-balls about the church was in many cases painful. He dressed in a suit of black, wore a fashionable Spring overcoat, had a glossy silk hat in his right hand, and in his left, very suggestively, a cane. He occupied his time by his instructions from the State Department. The darkies cheered vociferously, and one or two of the sisters descended to present Ebenezer with bouquets. An address of welcome elicited a set speech of about twenty minutes from the man who spoke, says the *World*, easily and dictinctly, thanking his hearers for the flattering ovation, and hoping he would faithfully represent their interests.

Since this time, he has visited Washington, and been smoking a cigar in private consultation with Grant, says the *Telegraph*, and will sail hence this week for Hayti.

I have narrated this as a sample of the extent to which the ultra views and opinions are developing themselves in this city, but such incidents are of daily occurrence. The equality of the negro, and the enfranchisement of women find daily public advocacy in some quarter or another. As I said in a previous letter, I do not think the general tenor of opinion supports these policies, but they, nevertheless, have their adherents who lose no opportunity of appearing in public or in print. Only recently, Susan Brodow Mrs Van Colt, licensed as a Methodist preacher, holds forth every Sunday before a crowded congregation on Elizabeth street, and has her sermons published in full. At a meeting held in a Fifth Avenue Church last week in behalf of Frederick Douglass, Ex Q. Adams, colored, of the South Carolina Senate, delivered an address, in the presence of a large audience, and some of the prominent Presbyterian divines of the city. These are but samples of the prevailing way in which the extremists propose to carry out their views. The Women's Suffrage Association consists of females both white and colored, and holds spirited meetings. A colored woman from Boston, calling herself Mrs Harper has been speaking in public, giving some very sensible advice to her race, telling them in substance, that instead of clamoring for their privileges, they had better go to work, and by economies fit themselves for public rights if they can.

So, you may thus glean of general idea of how things are going among the ultra-ists. On the other hand a strong tide is setting in the other way. Grant's administration is daily growing unpopular, even by the confessions of his own journals, and people are beginning to weary of seeing the overlasting negro pushed at them constantly. A straw showing how the wind blows is the action made by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons now in session in this city, in his opening address, he says: "The new difficulty with France consists in her invading the District of Louisiana by establishing so-called Grand Bodies there. A letter had been written to Marshal Mellinet, Grand Master of France, by our Grand Master, to which no response has yet been received. The Grand Lodge is accordingly to take such steps as will cause the withdrawal of the recognition by France of clandestine bodies in Louisiana."

The report of the Grand Secretary shows that there are in the State 635 Masonic Lodges, with an aggregate of 70,363 members in good standing.

People are beginning to flit away to the watering places or the rural districts, and the town will henceforth grow daily duller until September, when a good many marriages take place, a good many breakfasts and parties too. Long Branch seems to become annually more popular as a summer resort. Gen McClellan will be among the guests there this summer, it is said. So, too, will "Bache" Helmbold, who drives around a gilded equipage which wins the admiration of all shoddydom, but makes the old Knickerbocker people sneer. Why, here is A. T. Stewart, the dry goods king, who is building a private residence, with windows of plate glass, in a locality where a frugal hundred dollars each—enough to pay decent house rent for a year for many of his poor salesmen.

Prince Napoleon Ferdinand de Bourbon of Naples, Nephew of ex King Ferdinand, was married in St. Peter's Church, Jersey City, last week, to a young Cuban lady, demoiselle Amelia Hazzet, of Havana.

A niece of Gen. Robert E. Lee was among the most beautiful of the guests at a fashionable entertainment given by the Misses McKinley, of this city, a few nights since.

Gen Beauregard arrived here ten days ago and stops at the Coleman House.

Among the New Orleans people who called hence for France, on Saturday, were Mr. Grand, Mr. Prior, Mr. Seymourett, Mr and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr Seymourett, Mr C Couturez and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Girod and four children, Mr. A. J. Adams and Mr. H Planche.

Theatrical matters are brisk enough. Sardou's military drama "La Patrie" has been brought out in the style at the Grand Opera House, and is a hit. Busy preparations are making for the next season in your city. Managers Floyd, McDonough and DeBar being all engaged in organizing their companies. I met the two former at the Metropolitan the other day, chasing over New Orleans matters. Messrs. Spalding, Bidwell and McDonough will next season have three theatres on their hands, the St. Louis Olympic, the New Memphis Theatre and the New Orleans Academie of Music. For the entertainment of country patrons in question, they propose to furnish a series of performances far superior to those of any past season. Among the stars already engaged are Joe Jefferson, Mrs D. B. Bowers and Ludwig, well, the comedian. Mr. Chas Waverley, just out from England, is engaged as leading man and Mr. D. Myers, late supported Edwin Forrest in his principal characters about the country, has been retained as leading lady. A new and powerful name has been added to Maguire's repertoire, and will be produced in all seven theatres successively, aided by strong dramatic support. The name of Mr. Harley Merry, a London artist, whose management, have been so successful.

Governor Floyd is looking very well. He has his summer residence down at Long Branch, but is to town daily, educating his company and getting up the many arduous details of a manager's duties. He is also engaged in writing the Lydia Thompson English burlesques company to the New Orleans Academie for a short season, sometime in January next. CHARLES.

Iron Roads and Barges.

INTERESTING COMMUNICATION ON THE SUBJECT.

The following is a copy of the interesting communication, on this important subject, from Col. James B. Eads, of St. Louis, to the Commercial Convention held in this city, which we give, as it has not heretofore been published, and there is considerable desire to read it, as a document calculated to excite a new spirit of enterprise in the improvement of the navigation of the great rivers of this country:

ST. LOUIS, May 21, 1869.

Gen. Cyrus Bussey, Chairman of the New Orleans Chamber of Commerce:

DEAR SIR.—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your invitation to attend the Commercial Convention, to meet on the 24th inst., in New Orleans. Fully sympathizing in the objects and purposes of the proposed Convention, and especially impressed with the necessity for concert of action by the people of the Mississippi Valley to advance, protect and assert their common interests, it is a matter of real regret to me that I am prevented by imperative professional engagements from accepting your complimentary invitation.

I must, however, avail myself of this opportunity to suggest to the Convention the importance of taking such steps as may be necessary to insure the success of the great landside movement inaugurated by some of the business men of St. Louis and New Orleans, and aided by those of the chief cities on the river; and with this view I beg respectfully to call the attention of the Convention to the importance of iron barges and iron steamers on the Mississippi river.

As these vessels are boldly used in all parts of the world, except in America, I would suggest that inquiry be set on foot by the Convention to discover why the grain growers and planters of this valley are not enjoying the advantages afforded by the introduction of such boats and barges upon the Mississippi. They are used upon all the chief rivers in Europe and Asia, several streams of which countries are far more rapid and dangerous than the Mississippi. Numbers of them are being constructed in Great Britain for the rivers of India, the Nile, the Danube and, indeed, for streams in almost every quarter of the globe save America.

These vessels will carry from ten to fifteen per cent more cargo than wooden hulls of equal size, strength and draught, and never have their carrying capacity lessened by becoming waterlogged. They cannot be destroyed by fire, are made with water-tight compartments, and are almost absolutely proof against sinking. They do not require to be caulked after every trip as wooden ones frequently do, and being so much more lightly constructed there is no pay day addition to be made on their freight bills on account of damage to cargo. The plates of which they are made are frequently furnished with tie at little expense, before riveting them together, and this preserves them without the cost of painting. They will last four or five times as long as the wooden ones, and when no longer useful for the purposes for which they were made, are still of considerable value for their old material.

With all these unquestionable advantages in their favor why are they not used in America?

In England, barges of this kind are constructed for about 2½ pence per pound, but our tariff on iron makes them so costly to import, or to manufacture at home, that they are a forbidden luxury to the men who are filling a valley of such marvelous fertility that they can economically use one acre grown in every twenty destroyed by the plow, or swept by the sawyers of the Mississippi, for the sake of continuing for the next fifty years or so that protection and encouragement to our makers of iron that is ultimately destined to enable them to manufacture that material so cheaply eventually that further protection will be unnecessary.

While our wooden vessels are destroyed by the half-score or half dozen in a single conflagration, and hundreds of thousands of dollars vanish in the flames at an instant, I fail to argue that transportation on our rivers is as cheap as it should be. I say nothing of the danger to human life, but turn to the subject as a money question alone. The destruction of steamers by a couple of fires of recent date—one at sea by which I came to Cincinnati, and would pay for the transportation of ten millions of bushels of wheat from St. Louis to New Orleans. I would ask those who are responsible for this state of things to point to a single other country on the globe where such wholesale destruction of property occurs. Yet we claim to be the most enlightened people on the face of the earth.

If the gentlemen who have inaugurated this most laudable "Grain Movement" think they can make it a perfect success, without changing the present cost of river transportation, they not only greatly underestimate the cost to the shipper incurred by the present tardiness and expensive use of wooden vessels, but also the energy and ingenuity of their railroad competitors. Nature has given the Mississippi valley, to a profusion, the cheapest medium for the transportation of the products of this valley, but we cannot reap the benefit of the lavish generosity so long as we send our cargoes forth in timber boxes and antiquated wooden tubs.

We are suffering under the same gross disadvantages that the manufacture of iron in this country may be encouraged through an indefinite period, until it can defy foreign competition without protection. Is it really believed by the duties now imposed? Is not this interest, after years and years of protection, now asking for higher duties? And had not this protection really operated to retard the development of that manufacture by the fact that the enormous profits of the protection and the difficulty of estimating the exact amount of advantage given under it, serves to lessen the ability of the people to correctly estimate the actual advantages likely to be derived from a system—at its maximum—when the protection is full?

This may seem paradoxical, but I think it is not. Suppose, for instance, I require, say, one million dollars worth of iron, and purchase it abroad, that million is paid into the treasury of the Government in the form of duties, and the people of the Government have several hundred thousand of dollars in duties which will benefit every man, woman and child in the country by enabling the nation to pay off its debt and consequently lessen its taxes; whereas, if purchased here the amount which represents the home manufacturer's profit would go into his pocket alone, and its beneficial effects would consequently be very limited in extent. It may be asserted that in the latter case all the money would be held in the country. It may be said in answer to this by the foreign purchase the profit on the work (which is the most important part of it in a country where employment is abundant) would remain here and be distributed among the people, and that the entire amount that would go abroad in the purchase of the iron would be expended by the Government in the form of bread, meat, clothing, &c., &c., which would have employed the people and thus the entire amount would have been kept at home.

Second, That the building and employing of iron barges and steamboats in transporting produce and freights generally on the Mississippi river and its tributaries be highly recommended as a sure means, if adopted, of lessening the cost of freights and insurance, and increasing the amount of transportation on our rivers, and that the further consideration of this subject be referred to a committee of three, to be appointed by the President of this Convention, which committee will report to the Commercial Convention, to be held at Louisville in October next, to whom also the communication of Col. Eads, of St. Louis, be referred, as refused, as it contains information of much importance to be considered.

The following are the names of the committee composing the committee: Edwin Harrison, St. Louis, Mo.; Andrew J. Keller, Memphis, Tenn.; and John Robson, Warsaw, Miss.

DISMISSED FROM THE U. S. ARMY.—Wm. McGee, Second Lieut of the U S Army, who murdered Assistant Surgeon Brunin, of the sport at Salem Bridge, has been sentenced by Court Martial to dismissal from the service and five years' confinement in the penitentiary at Fort Resage. He was a brave young officer, entered the army in youth, and was known as the "Drum Boy of Shiloh."

FROM MEXICO.—Our dates from Mexico, via Brownsville papers, are not as late as by telegraph from Havana. We find in the *Sentinel* an extract from a private letter from the city of Mexico, dated May 18, 1869, as follows:

"Business has gone to the dogs. All are expecting more revolutions, and being anxiously for the Americans to come, believing that they only solution and the salvation of Mexico.

JOHN MANNED OF QUINCY, recently executed, was a hero. He was a man sixty five years of age. Previous to his execution he distinguished himself for his reserve, extraordinary religious zeal and a firm resolve not to resort to refuge aid; that is to say, not to confess to the priest, which might have betrayed the secret of the confederacy. In vain did the Sheriff's officers employ threats and persuasion; in vain did they offer him gifts and money; the contempt of the priest to make him confess the names which he alone knew as confidential agent of his nephew were made in vain. His lamenting answer was, "I know nothing." He said to Captain Tyrrell, however, previous to his execution, "You are only doing to me what I would have done to you in a similar case, but I only wish that others would have had the same courage to suffer."

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Reception at the Dominican Convent of St. Mary's, Dryades Street.—There was a very interesting ceremony at the above Convent, Friday evening, 4th June.

Miss Louise L'Estrade, daughter of Dr. L'Estrade, of Jefferson City, took the white veil, together with the name in religion of Sister Mary Rose of the Sacred Heart; and Miss Mary Comerford received the black veil and the name of Sister Mary Vincent.

Owing to the ceremony being private, but few persons, save the intimate friends of the young ladies received invitations.

In the absence in Europe of his Grace, Mgr. Odin, Father Murphy, S. J., assisted by Father Jeremiah Moynihan officiated.

The ceremonies were very impressive, and many fervent prayers were uttered by the audience for the permanent welfare of the two novices who abandoned home, family and friends to devote themselves to the sublime mission of the religious of St. Dominic—which is the education of youth.

Miss L'Estrade was attired as a bride, and attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Mary Van Dyke and Miss Cora Dolze.

After receiving the white veil, she threw aside her bridal attire for the simpler habit of a Nun.

Miss Comerford received the black veil and pronounced her vows, having remained one year as a novice with the white veil.

The Weekly Mountaineer.—The Pacific Railroad being completed, three wonderful mountains will become a seat resort for the summer tourist. Rev J. W. Healy, of this city, has spent several months among these mountains, as one of a party for scientific exploration, and will give a lecture upon "The Rocky Mountains and Their Religious Teachings," Sabbath evening, at the Congregation, corner of Prytania and College streets.

The Jeffrson City Intrepide.—The Radical papers of Jefferson City, Louisiana, thinks, we learn, of swearing in a police of his own. But he will hardly do so, as this would be violation of the Metropolitan police law, under which he acts, and which prohibits the existence of another police except the Metropolitans.

Mr. Pillsbury, attorney for the Metropolitans, yesterday applied to the United States Circuit Court to have the injunction against his clients dissolved, for the alleged reasons, among others, that the Metropolitan police is unconstitutional, and that the Metropolitans cannot be enjoined from performing the duties imposed on them by law. The case is fixed for hearing next Tuesday.

The Boy Robbers.—Mr. P. Dantillon proposes to sell his boy at six cents per second, at his stalls, Nos. 98, 100, 102 and 104 Poydras street, to meet the proposition of Mr. Watson to sell his at seven cents. Good for Mr. Dantillon. Whoopee!!

Burglary.—The residence of Mrs. Riley, corner of Philip and Bourbon streets, was robbed of $600 in greenbacks yesterday before daylight.

Reported Robbery of $7,000.—A party whose name we have not learned as yet to the reporters, is said to have been recently robbed of $7,000 in greenbacks. The man reports himself robbed of that amount, without having any idea who robbed him. Such reports are sometimes made to disguise the facts.

First District Court—Judge Abell.—The business of this court, yesterday, comprised two or three arraignments in the case of small offenses.

Recorder Gastinel's Court.—The four men charged by Capitano Pat Cocite, with robbery, have all been sent before the First District Court for trial, bonds fixed at $500 each. We gave the particulars of the case yesterday.

Recorder Judson's Court.—The notorious Billy Flanagan, a confederate Dan Eagan, were examined on the charges of larceny from and highway robbery, the latter for carrying a Mr Reynolds and robbing him of $36. Mr. Reynolds identified both and they were accordingly committed for trial therefore before the First District Court, on the charge of highway robbery. Flanagan was also found guilty, but Eagan was acquitted.

The Congressional Investigating Committee.

HOW A WITNESS GOT HIS PAY.

We copy as follows from the Natchitoches *Times* of the 5th:

We were forcibly confirmed in our previous impression of the corruption of every branch of our Government, by the manner in which we were paid for our attendance as a witness before the Congressional Committee. After the examination of our evidence, we were referred to a shabby-looking individual sitting at a desk in the Committee room, by whom, it was intimated, we would be paid our dues. This fellow, who is a sanctimonious Rocking Yankee, and, as we were told, an advocate of confiscation and division among the negroes of the property of the rich, inquired whether Natchitoches was not 400 miles distant from New Orleans. We told him that it was 420 miles by the steamboat route, whereupon he wrote down that number of 420 miles. How many days had we been in attendance, he inquired. Six. Whereupon he wrote down that we had been twenty days in attendance, and consequently ought to be paid that amount. He then told us that we were entitled to $120, or there, for mileage and