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THE NORTHERN MAIL failed yesterday from beyond Philadelphia.

The Quarantine Law.

The *True Delta* has some observations in regard to the Quarantine Law, in the general character of which we heartily concur. The law in question was, so to speak, extorted from the Legislature by the clamors of a portion of the press which had so long and so pertinaciously adhered to the theory of the importation of Yellow Fever, that it infected a large part of the community with its opinions, and absolutely induced nine-tenths of the citizens to agree, almost in despair, to give the quarantine system a fair trial. The majority of our ablest and most experienced medical men were and are satisfied that Yellow Fever is a disease of local origin, and that were it otherwise, no system of quarantine on a scale of sufficient magnitude, and of completely rigorous application could be possibly enforced in Louisiana. In other words, that admitting the premises of the contagionists of the fever, it would be next to impossible to exclude the importation of the disease, save by such a system as would bankrupt our treasury and annihilate our commerce.

Nevertheless the panic created by the two successive epidemics of 1853 and 1854; the plausible arguments adduced by the advocates of the foreign origin of the Fever; the state of the public mind, easily impressed by any doctrine that promised to relieve our city from a scourge so fatal to its progress and prosperity; the ignorance of legislators in regard to questions of this kind, and perhaps the really mysterious nature of the disease, and the anomalous phases it had at various times presented—all combined to persuade the General Assembly to pass a quarantine law. The act is undoubtedly most stringent and arbitrary. It leaves little or nothing to the discretion of the health officers. He must enforce its provisions or violate its duty.

Now, there is no doubt whatever that the attempt to carry into effect the provisions of the Quarantine Law has been productive of serious hardship; that we are is coming in port liable to infection, but which are at present healthy, are detained at the station to the detriment of the interests of consignees and shippers and to the injury of the trade of our city. These results were foreseen and foretold by those who contended that Quarantine was objectionable on every ground; that it would prove inefficacious as a preventive of Yellow Fever, and hurtful to the commerce of our city. Those who complain of its operation should have thought of these things, ere they endeavored to obtain the passage of the act. We believe it will be universally acknowledged that while the inconvenience charged with the duty of carrying the law into effect, are zealous and lachrymose, and strive strictly to fulfil the task allotted to them, the system for all the benefit it has wrought, proves a complete and ridiculous failure. That it cannot prevent the existence of Yellow Fever is patent, for as the *True Delta* observes, cases of both cholera and Yellow Fever of undoubtedly domestic origin were to be met with several weeks since in medical practice.

We take it that the next Legislature will speedily undo the work of the late one, and rid us of an incubus that oppresses our already embarrassed city, without the slightest compensation for the injury it inflicts.

THE CITY HOTEL—We visited a few days ago that the City Hotel had been taken on a lease by Mr. R. Meaux, the proprietor of the Arcade Hotel, and that the building, which is undergoing extensive alterations and improvements, will be opened to the public on the 1st October next. Mr. Meaux possesses every qualification for success in the hotel business. He is one with whom he has been associated in business, and who is, in fact, in the Mississippi Valley, as well as in Natchez, Liberty and Jackson, he took a prominent part in the management of the Astor House, New York, with Capt. Wick. Mr. Meaux asserts the St. Charles Hotel in New Orleans Mr. Morris breathe connected with it, and remains there five years, after Mr. Wick left, and he tells us that he was always entirely free of the unpleasantness. He also frankly declares that the St. Louis Hotel, and finally that the Arcade, where he has been for the last three years, Mr. Meaux's amiable qualities, his gentlemanly and highly agreeable manners, and his unbounded generosity, have rendered him with the assistance of the excellent superintendent, Mr. Hayes, a popular resort. We have no doubt, if we remember the City Hotel, that it will be conducted in the same liberal and hospitable manner.

FURTHER FROM MEXICO.

We have received two numbers of *El Heraldo* [illegible] *Lerdo*—an organ of the opposition. We have [illegible] Acapulco, the port of Mexico. We have [illegible] over the government. Santa Anna [illegible] Zacualpan was invested by SANTA ANNA and the troops on the 1st, that he commenced to mount guns on the Cerro de Cocoxtle, pointing one to bear on Iguala, and numerous other [illegible] Acapulco. A regiment [illegible] the whole