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NEW ORLEANS:
THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 25, 1869.

THE DIVISION OF LANDS.

Among the articles of our present State Constitution which we have found oppressive or impracticable, is that relating to the judicial division of lands:

Art 132. All lands sold in pursuance of decrees of course shall be divided into tracts of, from ten to fifty acres.

The Legislature, at its last session, passed a law to put in force this constitutional provision. It was approved by the Governor on February 24, and is in substance as follows:

The Sheriff charged with making a sale will notify the party whose property is to be sold of the division of it, in lots of not less than ten acres and not more than fifty, and to furnish him with the plans of the property, so that he may be able to make the sale according to law. The party whose property is seized will have the right to divide it into such parcels. If the plans are not delivered to the Sheriff, he will cause them to be made by the Surveyor of the Parish or will make them himself. In cases of partition and in succession sales the division ought to be made by the parties interested or by arbitrators in case of disagreement. If the plans of the lots are not furnished ten days before the time fixed for the sale, the officer charged with the sale, he will proceed as the Sheriff and will sell the lots separately. In cases where land to be sold does not exceed the superficies of 50 arpents, the division in lots is not obligatory. Section 4 declares that the dispositions of the law shall not be applied to sales made and based upon contracts concluded prior to the adoption of the Constitution, but only to those following the adoption and to successive sales made since that time.

There are not, probably, any sales to be made as yet arising from seizures under hypothecary contracts entered into since the 5th of March, 1868, but there have been probably many partitions and sales growing out of successions since the latter date without conforming to the provisions of the 1852 article. Are these sales and partitions null? We think not. for the Constitution no more than the new law pronounces the nullity is never presumed. Besides who would invoke it? The party whose property is seized? It is made his duty by the law to give the Sheriff the plans of his property and if he does not he cannot complain. The creditor? It is he who directed the proceedings. The buyer? He is satisfied with his purchase. In succession sales the same response might be made to interested parties. As to minors they have no interest in attacking a sale which has been made in block while this manner of proceedure has evidently been favorable to their interest. The division of large sugar plantations in lots of ten to fifty acres, would repel all serious buyers and would be, in a measure, ruinous to all interested parties. It is evident that no one would care to buy the lots upon which stood the dwelling and the sugar house if the purchaser were not sure also of obtaining the land which is attached thereto, or if he had to fear having his purchase taken from him by some exploitation.

This law is iniquitous, oppressive and absurd. It cannot, however, be pretended that it is contrary to the Constitution, because it is in pursuance of that instrument. But it undoubtedly constitutes a flagrant attempt on the rights of the property holders, and is also in violation of the Federal Constitution. It is probable the act of the Legislature, the title read article of the Constitution will be substantially a dead letter. Its rare instances will it be applied. The means of eluding it are simple. Judicial sales might be effected by private arrangement between the parties interested much in the same manner as amicable sales are sometimes effected by auctioneers. Where the parties are of age there would be no difficulty in coming to a friendly understanding. In the cases of minors recourse might be had to other means. Lawyers will not be embarrassed in discovering the means of accomplishing the object.

For what purpose is this absurd, legislative intervention in the mode of transmitting property? It only adds a hindrance to that already existing in our each mortgage system, and it is of a nature to encourage the capitalists who desire to invest their means in Louisiana.

It becomes from day to day more evident that it is the interest of Louisiana to relieve herself, not only from hundreds of laws made by the present Legislature, but also from the Constitution which serves as a base for this legislation. The people of Louisiana we are confident will, sooner or later, take possession of her Government, and repudiate the debts as well as offices the odious laws enacted in her name. We hope this day may be near for the interest and prosperity of our State.

THE FIREMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST.—No money elsewhere is will be seen that the sum of five thousand dollars has been deposited to wager in sums to suit from one hundred dollars upwards, that Mississippi Steam Fire Engine Company No. 2 will win the wager in the contest with Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, on next Sunday, subject to the decision of the judges selected by those companies. Apply in the back office, on the ground floor, No. 176 Gravier street.

Independent of this, we learn that the regular wager of five hundred dollars between the two companies has been deposited.

CALHOUN'S BANK.—It is said that Messrs Drake & Co., (proprietors of the PLANTATION BITTERS) are the largest importers of Calhoun's Bank in this country, and that, with the exception of an occasional sale, all they import is used in the compounding of their celebrated PLANTATION BITTERS—to which they undoubtedly are indebted for their wonderful health-restoring properties. As a Tonic and Appetizer they are now unrivaled, and we heartily recommend them. All first-class Druggists keep them for sale.

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

SAILING OF THE TRADE WIND.—The steamship Trade Wind, Capt. Morrill, sailed last evening for Belize, Honduras, with 6 good freight and the following named passengers:

Rudolf Quinn, Miss Mary Quinn, Miss Ellen Quinn, Miss Mary McVoy, Miss Ed McVoy, Miss Catherine Gibson, Mr. F. Glennock, W. J. McVoy, Miss Sarah A. McVoy, Miss Mary J. McVoy, Miss Martha E. McVoy, Miss Mary McVoy, J. J. Hennessy, Miss Theresa O'Mary, J. T. McVoy, Miss Mary E. McVoy, Miss Annie Wm McCandless, Frank Turner, Dr. J. Seay, John T. Seay, E. M. Gibson, Rev. Scott, Chas. Agnew.

FRANK BLAIR'S PROPHECY—A FAIR PROSPECT FOR IMPEACHMENT.—Gen. Frank Blair charged that Gen. Grant, if elected, would turn the Presidential chair into a throne. Nobody believed this assertion. It was treated as a mere nonsense at first, originating in the heat of discussion, was indicative only of a fear of Grant's general policy, rather than as being liable to a specific and literal construction.

There is, as yet, nothing which particularly supports the literal meaning of Gen. Blair's charge, unless one is disposed to be too alarmist. Were one of the latter character, he might attach a certain amount of significance to some prominent occurrences of Grant's short administration. These, he might argue somewhat as follows:

1. The appointment over Thomas of an unscrupulous tool such like Sheridan, is indicative of some bad project.

2. Sherman, the successor of Grant as commander of the army of the United States, is known to be an uncompromising monarchist.

3. Grant is filling a majority of the official positions with relatives, personal friends and the immediate retainers.

4. Grant is disposed to push our relations with Cuba and to aid Britain to the verge of war, and, in so doing, even ride to the suppression that he wishes to create an army upon whose support he can rely for the carrying out of the ulterior and dark designs.

Of course, these assertions are the ideas of an alarmist. Grant is of the people. He was elected by a party that is governed by the people, is devoted to the interests of God and humanity, so full of sympathy for the poor people, that it would never permit him to commit the crime of overthrowing the republic.—Chicago Times.

A DISTINGUISHED MEDICAL PROFESSION THE GOVERNMENT A FAILURE.—If I should say to anybody that it is my deliberate judgment that this Government has failed in the object that it was intended by its projectors to secure, I suppose I should be accused at. But, sir, when I compare the situation of this country to-day with the situation of that country from whence we sprung I find that not only in capital, but in general intelligence, in education, in liberty among the people, they far exceed the privileges and the power of the people of this country. They are interesting in a ratio which is most astounding in education and in all the refinements of life, as the emigrants show. And where are we? All we have to help ourselves in the world is our senses, which we are about to lose, and rotten tobacco, which we shall lose.—Senator Sprague.

Gen. Grant declared, in his inaugural, that the proper way to effect the repeal of an obnoxious law was to rigidly enforce it. This was the theory. How has he carried it out? In so far as enforcing the law of 1790, which prohibits persons interested in paying Government claims filling positions that involve the collection of their own warrant instead of enforcing this law, he has violated it and then asks Congress to sustain him in the violation. If he is conscientious in principle, he is commonly peculiar in practice.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Gen. Frank P. Blair, Jr.—The presence of this distinguished gentleman in our city, and the fact that he was on the Democratic Presidential ticket with Mr. Seymour and the favorite of the two with the Southern people, has made him the recipient of marked attentions from many of our citizens. The Hasdrubal Club, so noted for their hospitality, have extended him special attentions. He is stopping at the St. Charles Hotel.

The Royal Street Robbery—Manuel and Juan Fernandez and Raphael Sophira, charged with stealing about $150 worth of shoes at the time of the fire the morning of the 7th inst., at or near the corner of St. Ann and Royal streets, were examined yesterday before Recorder Genella, and held under bonds of $500 each for trial before the First District Court. The affidavit charges that the stolen shoes were taken in a trunk to the room used by the accused, No. 75 Dumaine street. One of the latter admitted to seeing Manuel Fernandez take the trunk with the shoes in it, but thought his object was to save them from burning. Mary Morrison, who was in the room of Juan Fernandez by some appointment with him, testified that she saw the man bring the trunk in about one o'clock in the morning after the fire. Being frightened at this she ran away.

The Canal Street Controversy—Mr. Tilton, through his counsel, applied to the Fourth District Court for a suspensive appeal from his order, allowing the Claiborne Street Railroad Company to set aside the injunction on giving bond and to proceed with their work. Judge Thayer yesterday refused to grant the appeal, on the ground that appeals cannot be taken from interlocutory orders, and for the reason that an appeal would defeat the object of the injunction. The decision is as follows:

The Court declines to grant the prayer of the foregoing position for the following reasons, to-wit:

1. There is no ground for an appeal from the judgment complained of, because the judgment is merely interlocutory, and does not work an irreparable injury to the plaintiff. The counsel for plaintiff, and Mr. Tilton, the plaintiff, himself, have been informed that this case would be tried on the merits on any day they might choose. Therefore, if there is any error in the interlocutory order complained of, it can be corrected on a hearing on the final judgment in this case, which may be obtained at any time, and which the plaintiff has no reason to believe would be unjust.

2. The effect of an appeal from the aforesaid interlocutory order would in reality defeat the object of the suit, which is to protect equally the plaintiff and the defendant. The right to apply *ex parte* for an injunction on giving bond is conferred by the statute, it is true; but it is equally true that the defendant has a right to have *ex parte* the injunction dissolved on giving bond, so as to replace the parties in the situation in which they stood before, until the trial of the case on its merits. Now, if the plaintiff is allowed to appeal from the motion to dissolve, he practically defeats the object of the law and the right of the defendant, because the injunction would exist at least for two years, and would be perpetual, and whether the plaintiff is entitled to it or not.

(Signed) PAUL E. THAYER, Judge.

New Orleans, 24th March, 1869.

We understand that the next step to be taken in this case is the application of a *mandamus* to the Supreme Court to compel the Judge of the Fourth District Court to grant the appeal prayed for.

The Dunnage Imbroglio—Attorney General Belden, representing the State, and acting under the late law of the Legislature incorporating the Ship Island Canal Co., having applied to the Fifth District Court to have the three several Boards of Drainage Commissioners of the parishes of Orleans and Jefferson "decreed to be unlawfully holding and exercising their office," and that Benj. Bloomfield, by appointment of the Governor, "be decreed to be entitled to all the property and the rights and privileges established in his favor as Commissioner of Drainage and Dunnage for the corporation of the Ship Island Canal Co.," and the said company having enjoined further proceedings by the above mentioned Drainage Boards, the gentlemen composing these Boards seek to give bonds so as to proceed with their work so necessary for the immediate drainage of the city, which is, of course, suffering by the suspension of their operations under the effect of the several proceedings against them. They had not, however, given bond up to a late hour, at which our reporter visited the court yesterday. They will doubtless furnish a bond required. The cross proceedings in this controversy is the injunction sued out in the Seventh District Court by the well known millionaire of this city, Mr. Paul E. Theard, to restrain the several Drainage Boards above mentioned from turning over the Drainage funds, material, etc., to Mr. Bloomfield, as the late attack of the Legislature, which we have substantially a dead letter. Its rare instances will it be applied. The means of eluding it are simple. Judicial sales might be effected by private arrangement between the parties interested much in the same manner as amicable sales are sometimes effected by auctioneers. Where the parties are of age there would be no difficulty in coming to a friendly understanding. In the cases of minors recourse might be had to other means. Lawyers will not be embarrassed in discovering the means of accomplishing the object.

Supposed Shooting—About 8 o'clock Tuesday night Sergeant Wynn heard a pistol shot in a house at 325 Dumaine street, and the alarm that some one was shot at and probably wounded. The inmates of the house, said to be Spaniards and Dutchmen, either knew nothing about it or refuse to give any assistance.

Lecture—Major Martin Delaney, late of the U. S. Army, proposes to deliver a lecture in the State House this evening, on the subject of "The state of the country in reference to the South."

Washington Items.

[Special Correspondence of the Baltimore Gazette.]

Washington, March 14.—The intimations from this point of a contemplated change in the form of our Government are by no means unanimous. They are the effect of the universal apathy of the people under the most flagrant usurpations of power. When Cæsar crossed the Rubicon, the people of Rome had already become imbecile, luxurious and corrupt. The form of government seemed to be a question in which they had the slightest concern.

The contest was narrowed down to an issue purely between two rival military chieftains. It is the deliberate opinion of thoughtful members of both political parties that we are upon the eve of a fundamental political change. The people of the United States are at this moment in a condition more favorable to the ambitious views of a daring man than were the Romans when they differed only in the choice of a master—casting themselves on the side of Cæsar and Pompey respectively.

Doubtless the present supineness and docility of the people is to be attributed mainly to the tremendous conflicts through which the country has passed. The mere idea of the possibility of another is quite sufficient to throw a vast majority of them into a paroxysm of terror. It is also felt that, with the popular suffrage diluted as it now is, and will further be, the right to vote cannot be put on the issue of a fight, for the only one left, its surrender, together with the now unmeaning and expensive forms of a Republic, would be a merciful sacrifice compared by the necessity of life and property, the assumed fruits of kingly authority.

A master is therefore wanted! An apathetic nation invites a yoke for its people to save them from an imaginary danger! Who will the King be? Undoubtedly General Grant, whose judgment is this case, which may be obtained at any time, and which the plaintiff has no reason to believe would be against him, and hence the original programme of his Cabinet and his other appointments. But he wavered at the first symptoms of revolt on the part of a faction in the Senate, who would have surrendered at discretion upon the summons of a single orderly sergeant. People, although without courage, idolize their virtues in leaders, and are marvellously quick in discovering the white feather. Gen. Grant, by his surrender to Wilson in which they stood before, until the trial of the case on its merits. Now, if the plaintiff is allowed to appeal from the motion to dissolve, he practically defeats the object of the law and the right of the defendant, because the injunction would exist at least for two years, and would be perpetual, and whether the plaintiff is entitled to it or not.

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Burglary in the Third District—A 12 o'clock Tuesday night the coffee-house of Mr. Kenzi, at the corner of Levee and Bienville, in the Second District, was burglariously entered by unknown thieves, supposed to be professionals, who succeeded in blowing open an iron safe and escaping with the entire contents, to the property belonging to Mr. Kenzi consisted of $150 in specie, $200 in twenty dollar bills, $150 in fifties, $100 in fives and tens, $150 in bonds, a $100 bill, and $95 in nickels.

Belonging to Mr. John Molony, there were seventy dollars in greenbacks, and twenty dollars in gold and silver.

Mr. François St Martin had four hundred dollars in specie, and Mr. François Veliet two hundred dollars in silver, also in coin. The total sum amounts to eight hundred and eighty-eight dollars in greenbacks, and eight hundred and twenty dollars in specie.

A book containing money, belonging to Mr. Andrew Borger, was also taken, but the amount has not been ascertained.

The report of the explosion was heard by the officers in the vicinity, but they were unable to gain admittance to the co-burglars, the doors being all locked. The chief securber, a cabinet, a large key, brace and bit, candle and cold chisel, were left by the burglars.

Mishap.—Officer Sale reports that about 6¼ o'clock last evening Miss Mary Ann Stevenson was taken suddenly ill and fell down in the car of the Carondelet street cars and hurt herself seriously. The officer, with the assistance of some citizens, carried her in an immobile condition to the drug store of Dr. H. Curtiss, corner of Delord and Carondelet streets, where, the officer reports, the sleigh refused to admit her on reader any assistance. She was thence taken to the office of Dr. Lockwood, No. 230 Carondelet street, where she received medical attention. She was, we are subsequently to be conveyed home.

In justice to Dr. Curtiss himself we would add that we do not doubt that the kindest attentions would have been rendered to the young lady had he been present.

Gambling House—There are five licensed gambling houses in operation in the city under the late law of the Legislature. One is 15 Royal street, another on Bienville street between Royal and Exchange Alley, one at 38, one at 66 and another at 69 St. Charles street, all apparently doing a grand business, for the privilege of which they pay into the State Treasury a license of $5000 each.

First District Court—Judge Abell.—John Henry, colored, charged with stealing two pairs of gaiters from the store of G. Brown, 35 Camp street, was tried yesterday and convicted.

T. B. Wilson, colored, charged with stealing $70 from the pockets of Joseph Gilbert, another steamboat captain, the night of the 27th of February, was on trial. The jury could not agree on a verdict, and on motion of the district attorney the case was ordered to the second district court.

Thomas Hall, colored, charged with stealing two pair of boots from the store of Mr. Lowe, was found guilty as charged.

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[From the Cincinnati Enquirer.]

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BY TELEGRAPH.

[By the New Orleans Bee.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

Congressional Proceedings.

Tenure-of-Office Amendment.

Grant and the Mississippi Delegation.

Arkansas Radicals Apprehend Prosecution for Murders Committed.

Indiana Returns Democrats to the Legislature.

Examination of Governor Wells Continued.

Miscellaneous Matters.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

March 24—Room—Palace introduced a bill punishing civil or military officers having the power but failing to enforce the 14th amendment, with fine and imprisonment.

Butler reported the Mississippi bill. Book moved to amend by giving the President power to appoint the provisional Governor. Farnsworth gave notice that he would move to postpone till next session. Rusk addressed the House in opposition to the bill when the House adjourned on motion of the Democrats by a vote in the Senate, who would be surprised at favorable indication for the ultimate success of the bill.

SENATE—The Committee on Foreign Relations reported a bill ratifying the treaty of July 4th, 1868, with Mexico, for the adjustment of claims.

The Tenure-of Office amendment passed to the following effect. The President may suspend during recess and appoint another to perform such executive function, but such suspension ceases within thirty days after the next meeting of Congress, and nominating a successor. If the Senate at such session refuse to confirm, and also, by vote, disapproves of the suspension, the suspended officer, at the end of the session, shall resume his office. The President need give no reason for the suspension.

Senate went into executive session and adjourned.

The President nominated Giles A. Smith, Second Assistant Postmaster General; Moses H. Grinnell, Collector of Customs, New York; Wm. Pries, Surveyor, Galveston, Miss., and quite a number of Northern officers.

The Senate, in Executive session, only confirmed Henry D. Moore Collector of Customs, Philadelphia.

Washington, March 24 — In the Supreme Court, the case of Messrs. Warren, plaintiffs in error, vs. the city of Mobile, was continued to next term.

Washington, March 24.—Replying to the Mississippi delegation, saying him to confer in regard to the bill, Gen. Grant said he referred to him the most feasible, least expensive and quickest way to restore the State seemed to be to give the people the right to vote, and leave the military commander, time to appoint all the officers under the recent act of Congress, then submit the Constitution to the vote of the people, allowing all to vote who are qualified under the Reconstruction acts, and no others. Congress to select such articles as they deem necessary, to be voted on separately, without allowing them to affect the Constitution as a whole.

There were, he said, portions of the Constitution that might be rejected, and, perhaps, ought to be.

Col. Pierce here suggested and urged that the President of the Convention, who is authorized by the bill under consideration, to appoint the State officers, being better acquainted with the people and their wants, would be better able to make judicious appointments than the military Governor.

The President, without making any definite reply, arose, and the delegation retired.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Indianapolis, March 24.—Democrats have been re-elected in all cases of resignation to defeat the Fifteenth Amendment. An extra session is called for April 5th.

Columbia, S. C., March 24.—The General Assembly, after a four months' session and passage of about 75 acts, adjourned to-day *sine die*.

Wilmington, March 24.—Capt. Hunter, of the steamer Fairbanks, which arrived to-day, reports having passed, off the mouth of Cape Fear river, a large steamer, or ironclad, off Cape Lookout, on 23d inst., picked up a trunk, in which found a book, with the names of Jasper Hartwell, Lieut. Col. Hartwell and Samuel C. Hartwell, Deer Isle, Friday, July, 1862. Searched among the fragments of wreck and floating hay, but discovered no other sign of the ship.

Providence, R. I., March 24.—The Senate postponed the consideration of the Fifteenth Amendment to May session.

St. Louis, March 24.—Serious trouble in the neighborhood of Fort Randall continues.

Mobile, March 24.—First Race—Mile and a quarter dash, Mobile *Tribune* purse. Scowsmill Jackson 1, Bettie Bay 2. Time 2:16¾.

Second Race—For all ages. Lexicon purse $25; purse $500; mile heats 3 in 5. Jennie U. won 1st, 2d and 3d heats. Time 1:51, 1:52½, 1:51, 1:52¾.

Memphis, March 24.—[The *Avalanche's* (Little Rock) special says, Clayton is trying his best to force an adjournment of the Legislature, fearing the passage of the new registration bill which will result in the appointment of Republicans to the boards of the various counties. Out of his hands and placed in the hands of three commissioners, to be elected by the Assembly, one for each Congressional District. The Board is to have power to decide all questions of registration, and will prevent the Governor from appointing county officers, thereby giving such individuals as he desires to assist in the Legislature.

The Appeal's special from Little Rock says: The *Republican* calls on the Legislature to pass a militia indemnity bill before adjournment, to protect Upham Catterson and others from prosecution for murders and outrages committed by the militia, and intimates that unless this be done the people may have to emigrate to a more healthy climate.

San Francisco, March 24.—Sixty-six vessels are now *en route* for Great Britain from San Francisco, with cargoes aggregating 1,700,000 tons. Of this number 105,000 tons are for the Atlantic ports with 165,000 sacks of flour, and ten vessels for Rio Janeiro with 51,000 barrels of flour. California wheat and flour now for all for China and other eastern ports. There is a 2,300,000 sacks of wheat, valued at $4,000,000 A Canadian letter states that Col. Pilsbon, who recently went down all the way to Rio, is meaning his forces and is acting under instructions from Pinzido Vigo, who is hourly expected on the scene.

Richmond, March 24.—The examination of Gov. Wells and others, regarding the participation of political letters from the postoffice, was continued till next Monday by the U. S. Commissioner.

Business in the offices of ineligible officers at the capital was suspended to-day, and nothing more. It is understood, will be done until Gen. Canby arrives.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Halifax, March 24.—Very destructive floods have occurred in Nova Scotia.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

Liverpool, March 24 — Evening. — Cotton closed easier; middling uplands, on the spot, 12¾d; afloat, 12⅞ to 12¾d; middling Orleans 12¾d. Common Rosin 3s 3d to 6s. Turpentine 30s 6d.

London, March 24—Evening.—Consols 93¼, Bonds 83¾, Tallow 47s. Sugar on the spot 40s., afloat 39s. 9d.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

New York, March 24 — Evening. — Cotton active; sales 4000 bales; middling uplands 29¾c. Flour more active. Wheat closed dull. Corn a shade firmer. Mess Pork $31 to $31 25. Lard heavy; kettle 19¾ to 19¾c. Whisky and Rice dull. Sugar and Coffee firm. Turpentine 55 to 55½c. Freights quiet.

New York, March 24—Evening.—Southern securities heavy. Governments closed dull 5-20's of '62, 118; of '64, 114; of '65, 113; do. new, 113; of '67, 113¾; of '68, 115. 10-40's 105.

New York, March 24. — Evening. — Sugar firm. Muscovado 12¾ to 13¾c. Wool quiet. Domestic fleece 48 to 56c; pounds 77c; pulled 44 to 45c. Rice—fair small business, prices holding off. Rio Grande, dry 23¾ to 23¾c; wet 19¾c; New Orleans, wet 19 to 19¾c. Taxes due 19 to 19¾c.

New York, March 24 — Evening. — Money closed at 7 per cent gold, with commission added in some cases. Discounts most paper 10 to 10¾. Gold 131⅛. Sterling 108¾. Stocks heavier. Southern securities heavy.

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Cincinnati, March 24.—Flour and Grain dull and unchanged. Whisky 91 to 91½c. Pork held at $32. Bulk shoulders 12¾c; sides 14¾c. Molasses 50 to 53c. Bacon shoulders 13¾c; clear ribbed sides 16¾c; clear sides 17¼c. Lard 18¼c. Sugar 14 to 16c.

St. Louis, March 24.—Tobacco heavy; logs to factory dried old leaf $4 75 to $12. Fisheries—Spring $4 to $5 25. Wheat $1 50 Corn 55 to 56c. Rye $1 36½ to $1 37. Barley unchanged. Whisky 88c. Sugar 13 to 15½c. Plantation Molasses 75 to 90c. Pork $32. Bulk shoulders 13¾c. Bacon $1 to $1 05. Sugar 14½ to 16c.

Louisville, March 24.—Sales 120 kegs Tobacco at $4 75 to $17 50. Pork $32 to $33 50. Lard 15c. Bacon—clear sides 17¼c; clear ribbed sides 17¼c; clear sides 17¾c. Bulk shoulders 13¼c; clear ribbed sides 16½c; clear sides 16¾c. Flour—superfine $6 50 to $6. Corn 61 to 65c. Oats 60 to 65c. Whisky 90c. Sugar 14 to 16c. Molasses 60 to 65c.

Memphis, March 24.—Cotton receipts 463 bales, exports 119 bales. Market firmer, middling upland 26.

RIVER NEWS.

Vicksburg, March 24.—Passed up—Linnie Gill at 8 P. M. Down—W. B. Arther at 10 A. M., and Mink Leggworth at 5 P. M. River rising.

St. Louis, March 24.—River still swelling.

Louisville, March 24.—River rising—9 feet 8 inches of water in the canal.

Memphis, March 24.—Raining here. Passed up, Virginia and John Barnes. Passed down, Tiger, Dawson and Meteo Ahen.

Cairo, March 24.—Passed up, Thompson Dean and Swallow. Passed down, Louisville, Shenandoah and City of Alton. River rose three inches; weather cloudy and warm.

FROM SOUTHWOOD PASS.

Southwest Pass, March 24.—8 P. M.—Barometer 29.95. Wind easterly and strong.

Arrived—ship Mayflower, Cozi, 28 days from Liverpool, with mdse, iron, to master; schooner J. Hennessee, Ellis, 21 days from New York, general cargo, to order.

[Further quotations.]

London, March 24.—The strike of the Preston cotton spinners is extending. Several Glasgow mills have stopped for want of hands.

Madrid, March 24.—Two hundred women marched through the streets to the Cortes, with a petition against conscription.

Havana, March 23.—The insurgents are massing on the south side of the island. The Government is almost regarding the movement of troops. The American brig *Mary Lowell* was captured at Ragged Island.

The Spanish volunteers still remain at Ragged Island. During their voyage one of the most torn jammed the steamer Havana, choking her. She is out of the list of vessels afloat.

New York, March 24, noon.—The Ocean Queen arrived to-day, from Panama, with $100,000 in treasure. She brings no news.

London, March 24, noon.—Bonds easier at 83¾.

Liverpool, March 24, noon.—Cotton opens active; middling uplands 12¾; middling Orleans 12¾d. Sales 15,000 bales.

Liverpool, March 24, afternoon.—Cotton ¼d better; middling uplands 12¾; middling Orleans 12¾d. Sales 20,000 bales.

Havre, March 24.—Cotton firmer, but not higher.

Washington, March 24.—Eighty-two miles will complete the Pacific Railroad.

The Senate refuses again to suspend the Tenure-of-Office law for four years.

It is reported that Grant accepts the situation, that the repealers are stubborn. The result is doubtful.

Omnibus bills, removing disabilities, continue to be the order of the day, but will not pass. The opposition is thoroughly united.

The dead lock will continue till some general amnesty bill is adopted.

English View of the Cuban Situation.

The London *Times* of the 24 instant has a long article upon the Cuban insurrection, which, while considering the American accounts from the seat of war too favorable to the insurgents, and the British accounts equally exaggerated on the other side, concludes that, making allowances for all these, "enough remains to show that Spain has not the power or authority can ever be restored to its former completeness."

The *Times* is of opinion that the geographical position of Cuba makes every American believe that it is destined to become one of the States of the Union, and to give the latter a preponderant influence in the Gulf of Mexico. It is declared that, possessing Cuba, the Union must dominate the Antilles, and proceed slowly and swiftly to the incorporation of the continent north of the Isthmus. The fertility, the vast resources of the island, not yet fully developed by the peaceful industry of the Anglo-Saxon race, its fine harbors, and its comparatively healthy climate, all represent a prize as the object of desire to the patriotic American. The American residents have long looked upon it as their future home, and it has been the favorite anecdote of one of the early settlers in Texas, that under Mexican rule, being asked whether he did not regret leaving his country, answered coolly, "I guess my country will be along here soon." So the Americans look upon the possession of the noble Spanish island as part of their "manifest destiny." The *Times* does not fail to point out