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NOTICE.

In order to facilitate the transaction of my business I have given a general power of attorney to Mr. ETIENNE DUVERGES, my Cashier, under date of the 5th February last. Mr. Duverges is consequently fully empowered to pay all debts, collect and receipt all bills or accounts, either at my office or in the office of the Bee. G. F. WHITE.
New Orleans, May 1st, 1851.

Notice to Assessors.

The Assessors of the different Representative Districts of New Orleans and of other Parishes of the State, are notified that the Assessment Rolls for the present year, are ready to be delivered, on their consent at the office of the Bee.

THE NORTHERN MAIL came through yesterday with the latest dates.

THE UNION.

The baleful spirit of disunion still lingers amongst us, though in powerless whispers. It is mainly confined to three States—South Carolina, Alabama and Mississippi—in Georgia, where it raises and endeavored to domest cate the treasonable has been driven ignominiously back to the frontier. North Carolina, Virginia, Louisiana and the rest of the Southern States detest and repudiate it, and vestiges of the infamous doctrine are to be found only in the three States above mentioned. In South Carolina alone does the heresy year its ninnyrated from in a formidable shape, and present an aspect that may be taken for danger. It is true that in Mississippi and Alabama, demagogues continue to urge resistance to the Compromise, and to dilate upon the benefits and blessings of secession; but the secession doctrine is not embraced by a majority of the people of either of those States, and under no possible contingency would Alabama and Mississippi undertake to secede from the Union, unless their strength in a conflict with the Federal Government, unless the Palmetto were to set the example.

To South Carolina, therefore, are the eyes of both friends and foes of the Union directed—the first in the confident hope that the gallant, though misguided State, will pause ere she takes a final, and perhaps inevitable course,—the latter in the expectation that the fearless energy of that Commonwealth will, by the boldness of their action, inspire others with audacious resolution. If South Carolina should determine upon the experiment of secession, she will undoubtedly encourage the malcontents of Alabama and Mississippi to make a desperate effort to obtain the ascendency, with the view of following in her footsteps. There are, however, two considerations fraught with consequence to the lover of his country. First, South Carolina may not secede; next, her example will not probably strengthen the disunionists of Alabama and Mississippi, who are at present in a minority.

That South Carolina will not secede seems probable from the growing strength of the Union party in that State. A few months ago, public opinion appeared unanimously in favor of State secession, but since the election for members to a Convention, things begin to wear a different aspect. Prudent men pause, hitherto rash out, Union presses have been established, and an organization is in progress among those who conceive that the most fatal policy would be disunion. A gentleman of great intelligence who has recently travelled through the Southern part of this State, where dissatisfaction towards the federal compact is most rife, informs us that there is a growing disposition to avoid all extreme measures, and that it is not unlikely the State Convention may not even be convoked. So much is be.

But if South Carolina should be insane enough to attempt to be as up the Confederacy, she will appreciate her error in her dragging Mississippi or Alabama along with her. In both cases States there is a powerful party opposed to State secession—a party undoubtedly in a majority in Alabama, if not in Mississippi. Every day adds to its numbers, since time always tends to soothe the irritation and discontent of the past. The shrewdest of the South Carolina disunionists, such as Judge BUTLER, concede it would be folly to withdraw from the Union, unless secession were the act of the entire State. It is, therefore, not unreasonable to presume that when South Carolina shows clearly on—which she will not—she will not be allowed to succeed to measure arms with the General Government, she will have to bear the brunt of the unequal contest alone—a contest whose of self-preservation will at length her of the expediency of remaining.

Hence, we hold that nothing short of the rescue of the fugitive slave law can dissolve this Union. Neither the clamors of Northern fanatics nor Southern factionists can disturb the federal compact, while the compromise is respected. But to ensure this disideratum, it is essential that no more SUMNERS be chosen to the U. S. Senate.

AWFUL STEAMBOAT DISASTER.—From the officers of the steamer *New Orleans*, which arrived yesterday morning, we learn that the steamer *Helen*, Capt. RENO, from Cincinnati, on Friday last, 24 instant, at 3 o'clock P. M., at Island No. 86, about one hundred miles below Vicksburg, and was totally destroyed together with her cargo. By the accident only five of her officers were lost. Among the missing, as far as can be ascertained, are Captain Reno, wife and child, George Bass and John Campbell, clerks of the boat, Henry Brown, pilot, and his wife and child, Mr. Bassinger, pilot, and child.

Capt. Reno and Clerks are due the publishers, through J. C. Morgan, of the Lexington Depot, for the following new publications:

Tuckerman's Characteristics of Literature—Second Series. Lindsay & Blakiston, publishers. It is a neat volume, we have an a style of the genius of Mazzini, Steele, Hunt-Irving, Hare-Tucker, Wilson, Tailor-Peck, Ritchie, Everett, Godwin, as the novelist, censor, naturalist, correspondent, philosopher, imaginative writer, dramatist, travelled, critic, author and reformer. The work is written with felicity of discrimination, and fine taste.

The American Journal of Medical Sciences for April, filled with matter of interest to the profession.

OUR FEFFOWS IN VIRGINIA.—The Grand Lodge of Virginia, at its late session, elected the following gentlemen as officers for the ensuing year:

James M H Brunet, of Petersburg, Grand Master; John R Edmonds, of Fauquier county, Deputy Grand Master; John V K Ebert, of Wheeling, Grand Warden; David H Reed, of Richmond, Grand Secretary; George W Toler, of Richmond, Grand Treasurer; Israel Robinson, Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

Thereafter in the State is represented to be in a flourishing condition; as, indeed, it appears to be on most, if not all, the other States. The entire number of its Lodges, exclusive of those in Texas, is about 2,500, with some 200,000 of the craft, officers, and an annual revenue of a million and a half of dollars, which is liberally expended in advancing the beneficent purposes of the institution.

☞ The New-York Courier gives the prices of some of goods shipped by a firm of that city to California, the prime cost of which was $120. The sum realized on it was $[illegible] 50, about 400 per cent. The charge, however, for freight, storage, auction duties, &c. amounted to $[illegible] 36, leaving a balance due on the original shipment of Sixteen cents, which, with thirty-six cents more, were used up in paying the postage from San Francisco on the letter conveying an account of the transaction.

DRY GOODS SALE.—Buyers are requested to attend Catalogue sale at F. H. Peirpoint's auction room, No. Canal street, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock. The assortment consists of 145 lots of very desirable goods, and the terms are, as usual, very liberal.

COLLECTION OF VALUABLE BOOKS.—We call special attention to the sale of an assorted collection of valuable English Books, which will be made positive, at 7 o'clock, by K. Tignis, Auctioneer, at the corner of Coal street and Exchange Alley, second story.

At eleven o'clock, THIS DAY, Charles Beard & Son will sell the choice Cellar of Wines and liquors, directly after, the collection of Oil Paintings belonging to Col. John Winthrop. Persons desirous of adding to their stock of Wines will have an opportunity only to be met with as the selections comprise some of the very rarest brands in the trade. The paintings are from some of the best masters and are well known and guaranteed as originals.

By Magnetic Telegraph.

(TRANSMITTED TO THE N. O. BEE.)

[O'Reilly's Line.]

[illegible] Cotton advanced ¼ to ½ cent, sales; Middling, 11¼. Sales of 2,000 bales, and new Mississippi at 11¼@11¾. Lard advanced ¼ to ½ cent, sales 1,000 bbls. and tierces at 10c.

Flour—Ohio, $4 25.

Corn—30,000 sacks sold at 62½.

Coffee, 9¾.

Sterling, 10¼@10½.

THE COTTON PROSPECT.

According to the Concordia *Intelligencer*, the whole month of April has been a total failure throughout the entire valley of the Mississippi, as it regards the Cotton growth, and partially so in respect to Corn. Last week, continues the *Intelligencer*, a scientific planter of Adams county, out of an entire section of ploughed land which he put in cotton early in April, broke up six hundred acres and planted again, leaving only forty acres of the first planting to stand.—The entire month has been as cold as charity and literally as dry as dust. The few rains were dashing and violent showers, which ran off suddenly without penetrating the soil, while the cold atmosphere chilled the delicate plant which peeped above the surface, or prevented its appearance at all. It has a meagre, miserable, starved and dwarfish appearance in general, giving a hope for the future, but in replanting. The news from the capital of Tennessee, telegraphed to the Natchez Courier, on Thursday, May 1st, is to the same effect.—Tennessee is as bad off as Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

Talk of the cotton that has sneaked out of the powdered dust and stands shivering in the chill winds; it looks no more like the old lashing of cotton plant than the confused milky way looks like the full orbed fixed stars! Old planters, long resident in the heart of the great cotton growing region, say that three weeks at least has been lost, everything being behind former years as much as that.

We have recently visited Tensas Parish, and travelled along Cheotaw Bayou and our personal observation confirms all we have heard and now state. In company with a Tensas friend, but three days since we crossed over into Mississippi and called on Mr. Payne, one of the oldest and most extensive planters in Jefferson county. The prospects of his crops and those around him he declared were never more gloomy.

We travelled over a portion of Mrs. Ferguson's crop and some others in the vicinity of Church Hill, Mississippi, with her overseer, Mr. Wm. A. Miller, who for years has been one of the most successful cotton planters in Tensas Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Miller finds his skill baffled by the late cold weather and drought, and states it will require the most unparalleled season for the growth of cotton to insure an average crop.

PANTHER KILLED.—A negro man belonging to the Hon. Thos. B. Scott, at his plantation on Willow Bayou, in Madison Parish, was attacked by a panther while engaged in cutting wood in front of his master's dwelling, a few days since, and considerably injured. The first notice the negro had of the panther's presence was the attack. The panther jumped upon his back, and the negro in his fright dropped his axe, which he soon recovered; however, and by a well directed blow, killed his antagonist. The animal measured something less than five feet in length from the tip of his nose to the end of his tail. Mr. Scott's overseer, the day after the occurrence, shot an eagle that was feeding on the carcass of the panther, which measured with its wings extended six feet.

ARREST OF SUPPOSED FILIBUSTERS.—On the 26th ult., a number of persons were arrested in New York, on a charge of aiding and abetting in attempts to prepare a military expedition against the Island of Cuba. Mr. Oliver Foster, name are John L O'Sullivan, (son-in-law of Dr. J. Kearney Rogers,) William H Rogers, Jun., (nephew of the said Dr. Rogers,) Captain Lewis, Captain of the steamboat Cleopatra, and formerly captain of the Creole, in the former expedition; Major Louis Schlesinger, one of the Hungarian patriots; Dr. Daniel H Barnett, an old resident of New York; Pedro Sanchez, a Spaniard of some note.

The *Herald* says:

All these persons were arrested during the day and evening, the last arrest being made about 8 o'clock. The charge alleged against them, as subscribed, set forth in the warrant of arrest, read as follows: "That the above named persons did by themselves, and in conspiracy with others, at the city of New York, in the Southern District of New York, did provide and prepare the means for a military expedition or enterprise, to be carried on from the thence of the United States, against the territory or dominions of the Queen of Spain, with whom the said United States are at peace, and more particularly against the Island of Cuba, in the possession of such territory and dominion of the Queen of Spain aforesaid,—contrary to the 5th section of the act of the neutrality act of the 20th April, 1818."

The parties above named, as arrested, were at once conveyed before the Marshal, where they were detained, and Commissioner Nelson sent for to adjudicate on the matter, but after waiting for some two or three hours, the messenger returned, saying that the Commissioner could not be found. A messenger was then despatched for Commissioner Bridgham, who forthwith attended. The charge was then presented before him by Mr. Evarts, the District Attorney, and the prisoners were held on bail each in the sum of $3,000, to answer the charge at court. Dr. Rogers, who had been sent for, immediately into the required bonds for the appearance of Mr. O'Sullivan and his nephew, Wm. T. Rogers; and a Mr. Freeman became surety for Pedro Sanchez. Dr. Barnett was allowed to depart in the custody of the Deputy Marshal, until Monday, and Captain Lewis and Major Schlesinger were committed to jail in default of bail. During the day, the Marshal applied for a detachment of marines to take charge of the steamboat Cleopatra. Commodore Stewart forthwith granted the request. A detachment was forwarded, and the vessel is now under their charge, lying at the foot of North Moore street.

A RICH BEGGAR.—Last evening a man named Edward F. Zimmons, was arrested by officer Banks, of the 15th ward, on suspicion of having committed a petty theft, when, on entering his person before commitment, his pockets were found to contain two bags of specie, containing $650 in dimes, half-dimes, quarter-dollars, and half-dollars, the weight of which was thirty-five pounds. He also had in his possession a small pocket-book containing $25 in 5's and 2's on the Mechanic's Bank, which, to all appearance, had not seen the light of Heaven for ten years, as they were mouldy and mildewed together. By his own confession, the whole of this treasure was derived from begging, at which occupation he had allured vigilantly for the last twelve years. Fitzsimmons is an Irishman, and, when first he came to this country, he was employed on a railroad in Massachusetts, where he became disabled, came to New York, and turned beggar. Captain Voorhies, of the police, sent him and his fortune to the almshouse as a vagrant, having no home, and heretofore no visible means of support.—*N. Y. Express, 29th.*

FROM THE WEST INDIES.—By an arrival at New York, Bermuda papers to the 8th ult., have been received.

The Colonial Parliament was opened on the 7th instant, by his Excellency, Captain Elliot. He spoke of the gratifying circumstance of the renewal of steam communication with the neighboring coast and islands, and the flattering progress of the colony for the last few years. He also alluded to the satisfactory state of the revenue, and recommended, as a spur to agricultural improvements, the renewal of the practice of giving prizes for proofs of agricultural skill, and recommended various other suggestions to increase the prosperity of the colony.

Two whales were captured in the neighborhood of the islands lately, each of which was expected to yield about thirty barrels of oil. They were the first taken this season, and the fish were very quickly disposed of as food, which the Royal Gazette says is very delicate and sweet.

A communication in the Bermudian speaks of a recent preaching in his neighborhood, and in the presence of the bishop, and, therefore, supposed with his sanction, and calls upon the colonists to "bar the door against this onslaught" of Puseyism.

The excitement we previously noticed as existing in the islands of Trinidad, upon the same subject, has been somewhat allayed by the election of an anti-Puseyite vestry, and the assent of the obnoxious rector to abandon his Puseyite formulae.

The combined court of Demerara was opened by Governor Barkly on the 26th of February, with a long, by speech, in which he suggested several fiscal changes, and recommended a reduction of the import duties on the principal articles, and a modification of the shipping dues, &c. There was a surplus in the treasury of upwards of $300,000.

A fine state, called the Leo, containing 15,000 acres, was recently sold as Demarara, under execution, for only $5,000.

In Trinidad the weather has been such as to give rise to serious uneasiness with regard to the next crop. Rain was so abundant as to arrest altogether, on some estates, the grinding of sugar, while a large number of other estates are behind crop. His Excellency Lord Harris was expected to leave Trinidad about the first of June.

From Barbados we learn that the sugar crop was expected to exceed that of 1850, which was 35,000 hogsheads.

$6,999 08 have been subscribed by Barbados to the relief of the destitute sufferers by cholera at Jamaica, and their families, of which $6,199 08 was collected in the churches.

LIGHT-HOUSE COMMISSION.—Yesterday morning the provisions of an act of Congress relative to the erection of a light-house in Boston Harbor, passed at the last session of Congress, were carried into effect by the appointment of a Board composed of persons to be convened, for the purpose of enquiring into the Light-House establishment of the United States, and reporting upon it, the Secretary of the Treasury has selected the following gentlemen to constitute the Board, viz:

Commodore W. S. Shubrick and Commander S. F. Dupont, of the Navy; Brevet Brigadier General J. G. Totten, Chief of the Engineers, and Lieut. Col. James Kearney, of the Topographical Engineers; Professor A. D. Bache, Chief of the Coast Survey; and Lieut. Thornton S. Jenkins, of the Navy, as secretary.

The *Intelligencer* says: The Board will meet in this city in the ensuing month, for the purpose of organization, previous to entering upon their highly important duties. These duties will embrace a full examination of the whole of the Lighthouse System of the United States, including a report as to any new lighthouses which may be required, and the selection of the sites for them; the propriety of altering or changing the location, or of discontinuing any of those already existing; the mode of lighting them, furnishing the need ul supplies, and superintending them; and reporting generally on any point connected with the system.

The labor will necessarily be great, as the task involves the necessity of a personal inspection of all the lighthouses, light-vessels, and beacons, amounting to some hundreds, along the whole of the Atlantic coast, from Eastport to Cape Florida, and around all of the Gulf coast to the Rio Grande.

From a Board, so judiciously selected, of Officers of high professional character and experience, valuable and reliable reports may be expected, and results of the greatest advantage to this branch of the public service.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE returned to Washington on the 27th ult., from a visit to Massachusetts, and, we are glad to hear, in improved health.

City Intelligence.

THE FIREWORKS TO-NIGHT.—In consequence of the extreme inclemency of the weather on Saturday, the Fireworks for the benefit of the Firemen's Charitable Association were postponed till this evening. At the time of writing, the weather promises to be favorable, in which event, our citizens will be treated to the most magnificent display of the pyrotechnic art ever witnessed in this city. Many new and brilliant pieces will be introduced, and amongst them the bombardment of Constantine which has been got up with the same extraordinary attractions that marked its exhibition in Paris. We trust our readers will repair to Lafayette Square in mass to testify their appreciation of the great talent of Mr. Cutter; but above all to render service to this efficient association which has been and continues to be the protector of the widow the orphan and the distressed, and which will give more on the time honored Fire Department of New Orleans.

PLACIDE VARIETES—*Hilarion's Benefit.*—We have only to remind our readers that the talented benefit of this charming and accomplished dancer take place to-night, to ensure a crowded house. The entertainments on the occasion, apart from the brilliant dancing of the beautiful artist, and the comic piece of "My Precious Betsy" will comprise a new Fairy Drama entitled "Cotan of Cashmere," written expressly for Mlle Hilarion, by a talented gentleman of this city.

To-morrow, the benefit of Mr. Base takes place and his numerous friends are determined to give him a big night. Among the attractions he has brought forward is the comedy of "The Heir at Law," a most capital piece.

ORLEANS THEATRE.—Let it be remembered that the last representation of Verdi's magnificent opera *Il Lombardi* takes place to-night. Nearly all the boxes are engaged and of course the house will be crowded.

GENERAL COUNCIL.—The new body elect held its first meeting last evening, present all the members. Mr. Allen was elected President. A message from the Mayor was then presented by the Clerk of the Council, the members elect, all of whom had been duly qualified to take their seats. On motion of Mr. Eugenio Rodriguez, a committee was appointed to report on the qualifications of the members elect. The committee reported that all them were fully qualified to officiate. Mr. Harris moved that the rules and by-laws of the former Council be adopted for the new Council. Carried. Mr. Payne introduced resolutions proposing the election of officers to the regular meeting; also to appoint a committee to report on the various offices that are dispensed with. After some debate the resolutions were adopted by a vote of 11 to 4.

On motion of Mr. Waterman, the Council proceeded to the election of officers. Mr. J. B. Walton was put in nomination for Secretary, on motion was Mr. Alphonse Rivarge. The latter received 6 votes, and was declared duly elected.

Attorney, Mr. Clayton Dufour and Mr. F. S. Wilford were put in nomination. The former was elected by a vote of 9 to 3.

For Prosecutor of the Parish Prison, Dr. R. M. Graham was elected, unanimously.

For Parishes, Messrs. G. F. Weisse, of the *Bee*, and J. Prendergast, of the *Orleanian*, were put in nomination. The latter received 8 votes and was declared duly elected.

Mr. Gerar was elected Keeper of the Powder Magazine by a vote of 10 to 2.

Sub. A. Michel was elected sergeant at Arms, by a vote of 10 to 2 for his opponent.

Mr. John Mah-hey received 12 votes as Door-Keeper of the Council.

Messrs. Chas. M. Waterman and L. J. Barre were elected City Directors of the Commercial Water Works.

On motion, the Chair proceeded to the appointment of the following Committees:

Finance—Messrs. Tompkins, Hart and De Ferret.

Claims—Messrs. Collins, Waterman and Lugenbuhl.

Court-Houses and Prisons—Messrs. Allen, Alphonse and Michel.

Police Jury—Messrs Hurgi, Leeds and Payne.

Powder Magazine—Messrs. Lugenbuhl, Hurgi and Leeds.

The Council then adjourned to Thursday next.

THIRD MUNICIPALITY COUNCIL.—A regular meeting of this body was held last evening. Present a full board. Mr. Sellman presiding in the absence of recorder Beuzeneau.

A message was read from the Mayor, requesting his concurrence in certain unlawful proceedings, as the appointment of officers by committees instead of the Council, but the Council took no action on the subject.

The Surveyor sent in a communication estimating the cost of repairing the streets, the wharves, and levees, for the ensuing year, and the expenses of his department for the year at $46,600.

The new Comptroller, Mr. Nicomede, sent in a letter stating that the records of his office of the 10th February last, to the 30th March, were not to be had, and praying the Council to put him in possession of them. Referred to the Finance Committee.

A series of resolutions prohibiting within certain limits of the First and Second Wards, after the first of September next, soap factories or any other factories from which offensive or unwholesome odors arise, were passed.

Another business worth noticing was transacted during the session.

RECOVERY OF STOLEN PROPERTY.—A portion of the jewelry stolen from the store of Richard Oberle, in this city, several weeks ago, since, was recovered yesterday, at the Locksmith's Shop of Thos. Foster, in Camp street. The information was received by two persons who had been arrested upon suspicion of being concerned in the robbery. Foster has managed to evade the vigilance of the police.

Since writing the above, we learn that another portion of the property, consisting of 30 gold watches, &c., has been recovered at the shop of Foster, on the corner of Race and Camp streets. The jewelry was in a tin box, buried under a pile of wood in the back of the premises. The information leading to this recovery was derived from Foster himself.

TRAVERT.—The omnibus driver, who, we will be recollected, on the 6th of last April, killed another driver on Canal street, has been arrested in the Parish of St. Landry, and is now waiting to be conveyed to this city for trial.

CUTTING AND STABBING.—Charles Venden, alias Harry, Gordon was arrested yesterday morning, in the Second Municipality, on the charge of stabbing from the house of Mrs Jefferson, in Melpomene street. He was followed by two men who attempted to arrest him, when he drew a razor and cut Mr. Kincaid badly in the hand with it, and attempted to cut the other person. The prisoner is the same man who recently attempted to rob Mrs Brecklin's house in Tivoli Circle; he was then armed with a razor, which he used and badly cut a young man.

VAGRANTS.—Hiram H Taylor, John Plegden, alias McGowan, John and George Thompson, were committed yesterday by Recorder Caldwell, for trial before the First District Court, on the charge of being notorious vagrants. One of them had attempted to rob a drunken man, another had a jimmy, and the third sported a formidable revolver.

HOMICIDE.—On Sunday evening, an affray took place at the coffee house at the corner of Circus and Common streets, which terminated fatally to James McEvoy, who was wounded in the thigh by James McCord. The latter surrendered himself to the police and was conveyed to the watch-house by Captain Forno. McCord died shortly afterwards at the Hospital, and an inquest was held, as mentioned in another part of the paper. The accused, when brought before Recorder Caldwell yesterday morning, was arraigned on a charge of murder and pleaded not guilty, whilst at the same time he desired that the papers should be sent before the First District Court. This the magistrate declined, and the examination was to commence yesterday afternoon. From all accounts, the deceased had grossly provoked McCord, and many who profess to know the circumstances of the case, consider that the latter was justified in the act.

BURGLARY.—The residence of an old friend and acquaintance, P. Shiels, in Bienville street, was broken into at an early hour on Sunday morning and robbed of several pieces of silver ware. No clue to the thieves has been discovered, but we feel persuaded that they will not escape detection.

STEALING SHOES.—C. Rivoy was arrested on Saturday night in the Second Municipality, charged with stealing $50 worth of shoes from the store of J Guingand. A portion of the stolen property was found in his possession, and Recorder Caldwell postponed the examination until to-day.

COMMITTED.—Geo. Henderson was brought up yesterday before Recorder Caldwell on the charge of having stolen a trunk from the premises of Mr. J. Bruce. He was found running off with the article in question, and was of course fully committed for trial.

CORONER'S INQUESTS.—The Coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of a man, name unknown, who was found drowned at the Lake end of the New Basin, on Friday morning.

Also on the body of Wm. Bethel, aged 27 years, who came to his death from the result of the railroad accident which we mentioned yesterday morning. Verdict in accordance.

Inquest also on the body of Jas. McEvoy, a native of Ireland, aged 34 years, who died at the Hospital shortly after reaching there. Verdict—Died from a gunshot wound in the right thigh, inflicted by Jas. McCord.

DEATH OF CAPT. GRIFFIN.—We announce with regret the death of Captain Griffin on Sunday evening, caused by the accidental discharge of the contents of a pistol at the Lake on Tuesday last. The deceased was well known in this community, and possessed the esteem of a large circle of friends.

FIRE ATTORNEY—Mr. Fabre nominated Robert Provant, Esq. The following gentlemen voted for—B. Prunix—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Victor Benit, Clark, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—16. Mr. Robert Provant was declared duly elected.

Second Attorney—Mr. Bonneval nominated O Mevel, Esq. The following gentlemen voted for—Mr. C Moni—Messrs. J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Clark, Derbes, Fabre, Hagar, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—11. Mr. C Mevel was declared duly elected.

Gardener—Messrs. T Wood, Jaupen and Charlier were nominated as candidates.

The following gentlemen voted for—T Wood—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Clark, Derbes, Fabre, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—15. Mr. T Wood was declared duly elected.

Carpenters—On motion of Mr. Lanata, the Council proceeded collectively to the election of the three Carpenters.

Messrs Pierre Nums alias Jackson, Clark, P Torrey, Chaillot and Houlahan, were nominated as candidates.

After the election, Mr. Laughlin was permitted to change his vote, having voted by error for one of the candidates whom he did not intend to vote.

The votes were as follows—

For Pierre Nums—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Vor. Benit, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire and Ramos—11.

For Torrey—Messrs. J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—11.

For Clark—Messrs Blake, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Peire and Ramos—8.

For Houlahan—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Fabre, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet and Richardson—8.

For Chaillot—Messrs. Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Giquel and Peire—5.

Messrs. Pierre Nums alias Jackson, and T Torrey were declared duly elected.

The Council proceeded then to the election of a third carpenter.

The following gentlemen voted for—

Houlahan—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Fabre, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire and Richardson—9.

For Clark—Messrs Derbes, Hagan and Ramos—3

For Chaillot—Messrs. Barthe, Vor. Benit and Giquel—3.

Mr. Houlahan was declared duly elected.

Auctioneers—P F Trenor, Esq., was nominated. The following gentlemen voted—

P F Trenor—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—15 Mr. P F Trenor was declared duly elected.

Superintendent of Public Works—Messrs. J B Correpitios and E M Kelly, were nominated. The following gentlemen voted for—

J B Correpitios—Messrs Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—15

E M Kelly—00

Mr. J B Correpitios was declared duly elected.

Superintendent of the Carondelet Balloon, Esq was nominated. The following gentlemen voted for—

Mr. E Rabouin—Messrs. Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, Vor. Benit, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—15. Mr. Emile Rabouin was declared duly elected.

Blacksmith—Messrs Pelanne Brothers were nominated, and received the votes of the following gentlemen:

Messrs Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, V Benit, Clark, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—16. Messrs Pelanne Brothers were declared duly elected.

Three Overseers of the Chain-Gang—Mr. Adelmar Brunet was nominated as First Overseer, and received the votes of the following gentlemen:

Messrs Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, V Benit, Clark, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—16. Mr. Brunet was declared duly elected.

Nays—Messrs Blake, Barthe, V Benit, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos, 12.

Mr. Jules Benit was nominated as Second Overseer, and received the votes of the following gentlemen:

Felix Grow—Messrs J Benit, Barthe, V Benit, Clark, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—15

Nays—Messrs Blake, Bonneval, Barthe, V Benit, Laughlin, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—11.

Mr. Jules Benit was declared unanimously elected.

Joseph Lagnes—Messrs J Benit, Bonneval, Clark, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—11.

Nays—Messrs Blake, Barthe, V Benit, Derbes, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—5.

Mr. Joseph Lagnes was declared duly elected.

Three Inspectors for the Sugar House—Messrs Emile Farrington, A. Vivaret were nominated, and received on the vote as follows—

Messrs Blake, J Benit, Bonneval, Barthe, V Benit, Derbes, Fabre, Giquel, Hagan, Laughlin, Lanata, Pecquet, Peire, Richardson and Ramos—16. Messrs Emile Farrington and V Bruno were declared duly elected.

Commissioner of Police—On motion of Mr. Giquel, it was decided that the Commissioner of the different Wards should be reduced one-third, and Ramos, 16. Mr. Omer Foster, was declared unanimously elected.

Collector of Taxes on Merchants, &c. &c.—Mr. Eugenio Rodriguez was appointed.

Mr. Fabre moved that the Council proceed to the qualifications of the members elect. The committee reported that all them were fully qualified to officiate. Mr. Harris moved that the rules and by-laws of the former Council be adopted for the new Council. Carried. Mr. Payne introduced resolutions proposing the election of officers to the regular meeting; also to appoint a committee to report on the various offices that are dispensed with. After some debate the resolutions were adopted by a vote of 11 to 4.

On motion of Mr. Waterman, the Council proceeded to the election of officers. Mr. J. B. Walton was put in nomination for Secretary, on motion was Mr. Alphonse Rivarge. The latter received 6 votes, and was declared duly elected.

Attorney, Mr. Clayton Dufour and Mr. F. S. Wilford were put in nomination. The former was elected by a vote of 9 to 3.

For Prosecutor of the Parish Prison, Dr. R. M. Graham was elected, unanimously.

For Parishes, Messrs. G. F. Weisse, of the *Bee*, and J. Prendergast, of the *Orleanian*, were put in nomination. The latter received 8 votes and was declared duly elected.

Mr. Gerar was elected Keeper of the Powder Magazine by a vote of 10 to 2.

Sub. A. Michel was elected sergeant at Arms, by a vote of 10 to 2 for his opponent.

Mr. John Mah-hey received 12 votes as Door-Keeper of the Council.

Messrs. Chas. M. Waterman and L. J. Barre were elected City Directors of the Commercial Water Works.

On motion, the Chair proceeded to the appointment of the following Committees:

Finance—Messrs. Tompkins, Hart and De Ferret.

Claims—Messrs. Collins, Waterman and Lugenbuhl.

Court-Houses and Prisons—Messrs. Allen, Alphonse and Michel.

Police Jury—Messrs Hurgi, Leeds and Payne.

Powder Magazine—Messrs. Lugenbuhl, Hurgi and Leeds.

The Council then adjourned to Thursday next.

THIRD MUNICIPALITY COUNCIL.—A regular meeting of this body was held last evening. Present a full board. Mr. Sellman presiding in the absence of recorder Beuzeneau.

A message was read from the Mayor, requesting his concurrence in certain unlawful proceedings, as the appointment of officers by committees instead of the Council, but the Council took no action on the subject.

The Surveyor sent in a communication estimating the cost of repairing the streets, the wharves, and levees, for the ensuing year, and the expenses of his department for the year at $46,600.

The new Comptroller, Mr. Nicomede, sent in a letter stating that the records of his office of the 10th February last, to the 30th March, were not to be had, and praying the Council to put him in possession of them. Referred to the Finance Committee.

A series of resolutions prohibiting within certain limits of the First and Second Wards, after the first of September next, soap factories or any other factories from which offensive or unwholesome odors arise, were passed.

Another business worth noticing was transacted during the session.

RECOVERY OF STOLEN PROPERTY.—A portion of the jewelry stolen from the store of Richard Oberle, in this city, several weeks ago, since, was recovered yesterday, at the Locksmith's Shop of Thos. Foster, in Camp street. The information was received by two persons who had been arrested upon suspicion of being concerned in the robbery. Foster has managed to evade the vigilance of the police.

Since writing the above, we learn that another portion of the property, consisting of 30 gold watches, &c. &c., has been recovered at the shop of Foster, on the corner of Race and Camp streets. The jewelry was in a tin box, buried under a pile of wood in the back of the premises. The information leading to this recovery was derived from Foster himself.

TRAVERT.—The omnibus driver, who, we will be recollected, on the 6th of last April, killed another driver on Canal street, has been arrested in the Parish of St. Landry, and is now waiting to be conveyed to this city for trial.

CUTTING AND STABBING.—Charles Venden, alias Harry, Gordon was arrested yesterday morning, in the Second Municipality, on the charge of stabbing from the house of Mrs Jefferson, in Melpomene street. He was followed by two men who attempted to arrest him, when he drew a razor and cut Mr. Kincaid badly in the hand with it, and attempted to cut the other person. The prisoner is the same man who recently attempted to rob Mrs Brecklin's house in Tivoli Circle; he was then armed with a razor, which he used and badly cut a young man.

VAGRANTS.—Hiram H Taylor, John Plegden, alias McGowan, John and George Thompson, were committed yesterday by Recorder Caldwell, for trial before the First District Court, on the charge of being notorious vagrants. One of them had attempted to rob a drunken man, another had a jimmy, and the third sported a formidable revolver.

HOMICIDE.—On Sunday evening, an affray took place at the coffee house at the corner of Circus and Common streets, which terminated fatally to James McEvoy, who was wounded in the thigh by James McCord. The latter surrendered himself to the police and was conveyed to the watch-house by Captain Forno. McCord died shortly afterwards at the Hospital, and an inquest was held, as mentioned in another part of ten paper. The accused, when brought before Recorder Caldwell yesterday morning, was arraigned on a charge of murder and pleaded not guilty, whilst at the same time he desired that the papers should be sent before the First District Court. This the magistrate declined, and the examination was to commence yesterday afternoon. From all accounts, the deceased had grossly provoked McCord, and many who profess to know the circumstances of the case, consider that the latter was justified in the act.

BURGLARY.—The residence of an old friend and acquaintance, P. Shiels, in Bienville street, was broken into at an early hour on Sunday morning and robbed of several pieces of silver ware. No clue to the thieves has been discovered, but we feel persuaded that they will not escape detection.

STEALING SHOES.—C. Rivoy was arrested on Saturday night in the Second Municipality, charged with stealing $50 worth of shoes from the store of J Guingand. A portion of the stolen property was found in his possession, and Recorder Caldwell postponed the examination until to-day.

COMMITTED.—Geo. Henderson was brought up yesterday before Recorder Caldwell on the charge of having stolen a trunk from the premises of Mr. J. Bruce. He was found running off with the article in question, and was of course fully committed for trial.

CORONER'S INQUESTS.—The Coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of a man, name unknown, who was found drowned at the Lake end of the New Basin, on Friday morning.

Also on the body of Wm. Bethel, aged 27 years, who came to his death from the result of the railroad accident which we mentioned yesterday morning. Verdict in accordance.

Inquest also on the body of Jas. McEvoy, a native of Ireland, aged 34 years, who died at the Hospital shortly after reaching there. Verdict—Died from a gun