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Ohio River—Steamboats—Markets.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 23.

The rivers are now stationary with 5¼ feet in the channel.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23.

The provision market is firm. Hogs are held at $4 30@$4 35 P cwt.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 23.

The river here is rising with 4 feet 10 inches water in the Canal. Weather very cold.

Two steamboats Frank Pierce and Chancellor have off for New Orleans.

(For the New Orleans Daily Delta.)

A PLEASING EXCURSION.

Awaked by the watchman's signal, and being in no mood to pursue the business of the day in a noisy and crowded city, and calling to mind the delightful and brilliant anniversary exercises of Louisiana College at the "Mechanics' Institute Hall" in this city (July last) and judging as did the ancient Trojans that "old age *there can see*," I could but expect a pleasant visit to this classic retreat—"three graces of Acadiana," now sequestered, quiet seclusion in the country on the left bank of the majestic Mississippi and at a short distance above the city.

As the morning dawned upon the slumbering metropolis, the hum of busy multitudes broke the silence, and warned me that I was once more amid the hurry and bustle of commercial strife, in the great emporium of trade and traffic in the golden South. After my usual refreshments, I hastened to the river, and soon, the Vulcan of the deep, was ploughing with its keel, the massive waves of the great Father of waters.

The day was propitious—one of those delightful December days "of world wide fame" so frequent in the sunny South, when the pure and invigorative breezes of the lofty North pay their annual and welcome visits to our fair and sunny climes, and sport in frolicksome glee with the auburn tresses of the gay and bloom ing city belle, and the grey haired locks of the veteran of years. All was gay. The morning songsters that thronged their music above us, the ground beneath us, either bank, the chattering group of lads on board about to enter the College and some of the tattered sons of Erin at his dusty toil wait gay and many a laugh did we enjoy at his rustic wit and test of all even Alec, a sable, sore eye gay, as it cheered us on our way, gamboled on the morning breeze.

As our vessel cleft more majestically up the rolling Mississippi, we soon found ourselves among the old Planters, little cognitor the spacious villas of the country gentlemen at the sun mansions of the humbler artisans, that lined the banks above the city, and which, as we passed at our journey's end, at Brittanyville, in front of a majestic structure whose fine roll-call, extending the entire length of the edifice, and surmounted by the emblazoned escutcheon of rich brass and copper glittering in the sunbeams gave us a splendid view from the upper deck. The plants from our cheering group signified that this was Louisiana College.

At the accustomed signal for stopping, the sharp eyed President was on the shore to receive our little company of lads, and with that frankness and urbanity peculiar to his nation, he gave us a hearty welcome.

We were then ushered into the College yard, and here the poverty of language begins the scene. There were series of ala and yonng men at their accustomed sports of the yard—immensely large and exceedingly beautiful—Here and there were groups of pupils at their earthenware exercises, interspersed with grave Professors as sentinels, ever on the watch lest a Socrates and a Plato conversing there on Aristotle and on Incertus discovering powder to Demosthenes and a Tully to his suty and on the balcony that overlooks all was Diptera dancing and the sweet tones of music in time, this was the general scene.

In my wanderings over the world and visits to public institutions, at each visit I find a different and a new feature, and I should have that equal and this in current. All circumstances were happy, every eye sparkled with hope and every tongue was music with joy.

This jolly year being the end of the college contents several prizes and a supper certainly was all the appliances necessary for gymnastic exercises, and enclosed with a high and solid six foot brick wall. In the rear of the buildings is the large farm for the use and comfort of the kitchen.

We entered the spacious office and found the interior in contrast with the exterior all elegant and well. The hall is a spacious one, and in it, adjoining, stands a set of chairs which are about, in size and all excel the extensive. The chairs are made in nearly one and extensive. The chairs are made in nearly one and extensive. Two a suggestion for the diff brown literary societies are also fine.

At the sound of the college bell recreations closed and in a moment all was silence and order and every pupil was as industriously engaged in his books as he had been a moment before at its play.

Upon inquiry I found this order and also plane was carried out by the cash, but its extension and full support depended on the good will of the Parents, who, as we found, were always ready to fulfill our the youthful mind, and to lend a ready assistance, but he exists in the exception and I have no doubt but that the cause of the exception and I have no doubt but that the cause of the exception and I have no doubt but that the cause of