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NEW ORLEANS:
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Sales at Auction This Day.

By Phinney & Amory, at 12 o'clock, at 38 and 40 Old Levee, sundries.

By D. E. Morphy, at 12 o'clock, at the Stock Landing, mules.

By E. T. Montgomery, at 1 o'clock, at 89 Camp street, 1-3 bales cotton.

By McCerren & Landry, at 12 o'clock, at Merchants Exchange, lots of ground.

See our second page for auction and sheriff's sales and other important notices.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT. — Paralysis, Rheumatism and Stiff Joints, will find a speedy cure in these medicines. Perseverance in their use will be rewarded by freedom from pain, and restored health. The pills are an admirable auxiliary to the Ointment, they improve and invigorate the whole system. Sold everywhere.

MONTREUIL ESTATE.—McCerren & Landry will continue the adjourned sale of this succession to-day, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange. Many a capital bargain can yet be gotten from the sale of the balance of this property.

We are requested to state to parties wishing to buy 8 mules that D. E. Morphy, Auctioneer, will sell 28 of them at 12 o'clock M. this day at the Stock Landing corner of Tchoupitoulas and Louisiana Avenue. See his advertisement.

CONTRIBUTIONS SOLICITED.—Elsewhere Mr. J. P. Sullivan, chairman of the Branch Office of the Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair, requests contributions of funds, curiosities and relics, the funds to be deposited with D. E. Gobleot, Treasurer, City Hall, or with Robert E. Shanon, 15 Carondelet street, and all other articles with the Mayor.

Manitoba and the Negro.

When some future Disraeli shall grope back amongst the faded and musty rubbish of the present day, he will doubtless feel grateful to Mr. Solicitor Whiting, of Wisconsin, for the inestimable contribution which that erudite gentleman has recently made to the curiosities of literature. This invaluable treasure, whose discovery is to gladden the heart of the literary antiquarian hereafter and astonish and amuse a distant generation of readers, appears now in the superintending form of a letter from Solicitor Whiting to the President of the Frémont Legion, in answer to an invitation to address a "mass convention of colored citizens" to be held at Poughkeepsie, New York. In his letter it is said:

Courage, endurance, and disinterested heroism are qualities of all brave men, whatever may be their lineage. No nature yet stands upon the roll of honor more brilliant or illustrious than those of Hannibal and Toussaint L'Ouverture. Give to the African who claim as their fatherland the continent that gave birth to the conqueror of Rome, give them the arms and the discipline of the well trained soldier, and they will give back to the cause of the country all the elements of military power. Such is the teaching of history and the testimony of experience.

Here we have the implicit assertion that Hannibal, the great Phœnician Carthaginian captain, was a negro because he was born in Africa. According to Solicitor Whiting's wondrous logic, if a man is born in a stable he must be a horse, or something else belonging to the equine genus although it seems certain that some men may be donkey's without undergoing a metamorphosis. But we are not permitted to go out of Africa for the illustration of this principle. The logic which, as respects that mysterious continent, deduces from community of birth place community of blood and lineage, refuses to make a similar deduction in reference to the human progeny, or miscegeny, born in America and descended from a variety of fatherlands. Solicitor Whiting sees in the African-born Hannibal, although Phœnician by descent, an illustrious specimen of the negro; not in the American-born negroes, or at least those of them that are made soldiers' he recognizes men who possess peculiar elements of military power in virtue of their having for "their fatherland the continent that gave birth to the conqueror of Rome."

We are gravely told, on the top of this almost preternatural absurdity, that "truth is the teaching of history." Shades of Plutarch and Livy, and all the old historiographical worthies, now happily translated into another and, let us hope, a more veracious world! Hannibal "the conqueror of Rome," that will do! Boys, make lines of your school compends of history; dismiss from your minds the silly trash about Hannibal's memorable failure to conquer Rome in a war of sixteen years, about Scipio carrying the war into Africa and overthrowing Hannibal, and other like nonsense; and look solely for the "teachings of history" to the stores of knowledge and wisdom contained in the partisan and buncombe effusions of the day. By so doing you may hope at length to possess the lightest trace of fact and audacity of assertion that may be needed to qualify you for model politicians and brilliant demagogues.

The Blockade running at Wilmington — Commerce and Manufactures in the Model States.

The New York *World* of the 9th instant has a correspondence from Baltimore, professing to give important news from the South via Havana, and received there by a blockade-runner from Wilmington. The latter says:

The gentlemen from whom the information is derived (we are told) has been a resident of Wilmington for the last ten years. He was in Liverpool and London about two months ago. The steamer in which he took passage left Wilmington one night about the middle of last month. She experienced no difficulty whatever in eluding the blockading fleet. The blockade business—that is, the successful running of the blockade—has never been more lively, at any period during the war, than during the last six months. An immense quantity of foreign dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, leather, and even large quantities of coffee, tea, and refined sugar, have time found their way into the Southern States. These goods came in the first instance from Europe, for the most part from ports in England and France, where they are now paid for either directly in gold or else in Confederate cotton bonds. The goods undergo trans-shipment to the blockade-running vessels, either at Havana or Nassau.

In spite of all that has been said to the contrary, the credit of the Confederacy is good in both of those countries, and goods can be purchased as readily for Confederate bonds as for gold. This is owing partly to the fact that large cargoes of cotton are frequently received at Liverpool, but chiefly to the conviction that is universally entertained among the best informed commercial men in both England and France, to the effect that the large amounts of cotton known to be in the hands of the Confederate government will all be available to secure these bonds, and to pay off the European loans.

It is true that the rebel paper currency is depreciated to that extent that it is nearly worthless. But it is also true that the rebel currency is not much used as a circulating medium when it can be avoided. The farmer or planter who wishes to buy dry goods or groceries has something which the dealer in those articles values far more than rebel currency. He has cotton, raw sugar, rice, wheat, corn, potatoes, cattle, hogs, horses, sheep, cheese, butter, and milk. Dry goods and groceries command enormous prices; but so also does every one of the commodities that I have named. In order to promote mutual convenience, therefore, a well regulated system of barter or exchange has been established all over the South; and the rebel government, although they are annoyed at seeing that paper money shunned whenever practicable, have had good sense enough not only to permit the practice, but even to encourage it; and they are now reaping the good effects of that policy. Thus it is that the Southern people supply their necessities; the dealers in blockade goods are encouraged to purchase largely of foreign goods; the planters and farmers are encouraged to bring in their cotton, to cultivate grain, to raise horses and cattle, and to make sugar and cheese; and the fact is that the credit of the South is established in the South.

During the last year, four new paper mills have been established in various parts of Georgia, which, in addition to the other paper mills in the South, carry on large quantities of excellent paper, both for writing and printing purposes. In one same State, and also in some parts of Alabama, Mississippi and North Carolina, the manufacture of cloth for army wear has been attempted, and the attempt has met with a good measure of success. These cloth mills are now in full operation. There are now four manufactories of woolen cloth in operation at Manchester, opposite Richmond, where there were only two, a year ago. At the same place there are also three manufactories of cotton cloth in successful operation. Manufactories of woolen cloth have also been established at Lynchburg, Mobile, Raleigh, in North Carolina, and at Atlanta, Rome and Charleston. They are all in active operation. The most important and intricate portion of the machinery of these mills as also of the machinery of the mills for making cotton cloth, was brought over from Europe in vessels that run the blockade. But the larger and more cumbrous machinery, and even many of the smaller wooden cog-wheels, are of native manufacture, and, after one and two years of constant use, exhibit no more than the usual wear and tear.

The Spring Campaign Against Richmond.

The New York *Sun* of the 9th instant thinks that General Grant is fully alive to the fact that time has greatly increased the difficulties in the way of capturing Richmond, and says that he evidently does not intend to move against that rebel stronghold with less than four hundred thousand men, not united in one column, but co-operating with each other upon converging lines. The *Sun* adds:

It took General Grant nearly six months to capture Vicksburg, with an army of one hundred thousand men, aided by a powerful fleet. Yet Vicksburg was only defended by thirty thousand men, and was in no respect so thoroughly fortified, as Richmond and its approaches, upon the defence of which the rebels can concentrate a force of two hundred thousand soldiers. General Grant, it is understood, does not anticipate the reduction of the city by a sudden attack, but by a regular siege and close investment, which may possibly continue through the entire summer, but which is certain of ultimate success. These operations will necessarily involve some hard fighting, but will also demand the highest generalship.

Our Government is hurrying men to the front from all directions. The thousands of recruits that have been so long idle in the receiving depots and forts of the State and city have been ordered to the army, and the veteran regiments in the fortifications at Washington have been sent to the front, their places being supplied by the invalid corps. Our estimate of four hundred thousand men for the Virginia campaign is not excessive.

The *Times* of the 9th indulges in these campaigning reflections:

It may be considered certain, it says, that Grant's plan of operations, whatever it may be, will be one, which, like his superb operations at Vicksburg and Chattanooga, will completely starve the rebels—that it will be one which concisely expressed, and that will take the country as well as the enemy by surprise. His campaign will be in Virginia, it may be in Georgia, but it may be in neither—it does not, even though it be intended to bear upon one or both of the rebel armies and the rebels. In Virginia, for instance, it may be neither of those States, even though it be intended to bear upon one or both of those