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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

City Drainage.—The ordinance, pending in the City Council, to define the work that shall be done by the Mexican Gulf and Mississippi Canal Company, under the act of the Legislature on the subject, the following proposition have been made and are under consideration:

To the Mayor and Administrators of the city of New Orleans.

Gentlemen—The undersigned, citizens of New Orleans, having associated themselves with others with the object of forming a company for the purpose of digging canals, making levees, and for draining and other purposes, hereby beg leave to inform you of our intentions, and to notify you that we will be able to do the work of building the levees and digging the canals for the drainage of the city at a much lower rate than the price named in the bill of the Mexican Gulf Ship Canal Company.

Our company will be permanently organized in a few days, when we will make an offer for the work (at a fixed price) of drainage contemplated by the city. C. Roselius, John Davidson, Patrick Irwin, A. Thomson, Samuel Jamison, Alfred Phillips, C. H. Slocomb.

NEW ORLEANS, April 4, 1871.

To the Mayor and City Council of New Orleans:

Gentlemen—Since our last communication relative to the drainage of the city, we have organized as a corporation for the dredging of canals and the building of levees for that purpose.

We now desire to inform you that we are prepared to bid for the drainage work, and now do so, at twenty per cent. less then the prices stipulated in act No. 30, session of 1871.

We are ready to commence work immediately, and at any time, on a three months' notice, will increase our workings to any limit the city may desire.

N. E. BAILEY,
President pro tem. New Orleans Dredging Company.

NEW ORLEANS, April 4, 1871.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Council of the city of New Orleans:

Gentlemen—Learning from the public prints that the City Council are about letting, by contract, certain work on the drainage canals and levees, the undersigned begs to submit the following proposals for such work:

1. To perform such work as may be designated by the City Surveyor, on any or all canals or levees in or around the city, complying with any reasonable specifications or limits of time.

2. The earth removed from the canals to be used in the adjacent levees within the distance of one hundred feet from edge of excavation.

3. Measurements of canals made by deducting net amounts of existing canals from amounts of canals finished, where in line of improvements.

Levees to be measured when ready for delivery with full base and top, with ten per cent. shrinkage in height.

All earth excavated and used by city otherwise than in embankments, to be measured as if in embankment.

4. The City Surveyor to give the contractor monthly estimates of work performed.

5. Payments to be made monthly, on City Surveyor's certificate, in cash, or in city warrants bearing interest at the rate of eight (8) per cent. per year, and if not paid within one year, the holders thereof to have the privilege of exchanging such warrants for "eight per cent. ten year city bonds," said bonds to be taken at eighty cents on the dollar, in exchange for said warrants at par.

6. The price to be thirty-five cents per cubic yard, for both excavation and embankment.

The undersigned is prepared to furnish such security as the Council may require for the prompt and faithful performance of the above proposition, or will enter into contract with the city on terms not materially differing from the above.

Respectfully,
HENRY A. PERLER.

Suits against Railroad Companies.—Mr. J. J. Davis has commenced the Chattanooga Railroad Company, in the 8th District Court, for $500 damages, for a train of the company failing to stop at Look Out Station, where he was waiting to take passage, and signaled the train for that purpose. He avers that by reason of the train not stopping he was exposed to the malarious influences of the place, where he was several miles from a dwelling, and had to hire a boat and help to row it himself to reach the nearest place of accommodation.

In the Fourth District Court, Mrs. Anaise Harsang Leblanc, mother and natural tutrix of Edgar Leblanc, a boy, who is trying to set off a train of the Pontchartrain Railroad Co. at Canal street, was pushed by a crowd, and falling under the cars received injuries which necessitated the amputation of a leg, has sued the company for $25,000 damages. The petition charges that the company was at fault in allowing the cars to be over-crowded and not coming to a full stop, instead of slackening speed, which it is alleged was all that was done at Canal street, which is an advertised point for landing and receiving passengers.

The Switzer-Everitt Homicide.—Without any further testimony than that already published being heard, the Jury of Inquest in this case yesterday rendered their verdict, which was that deceased came to his death by two pistol shot wounds, both of which shots were fired by Launcelot Hope Everitt. The prisoner verbal having been sent to Recorder Stass, within whose jurisdiction the homicide occurred, Dr. Everitt has been committed on a charge of murder, which is not a bailable offense by a Recorder.

Miscellaneous.—The body of an unknown white man was found in the river at Greenwood yesterday. Description: Age 35; light complexion, light hair, height 5 feet 6, grey woolen shirt, blue vest, blue woolen shirt. Had two car tickets and a brass check marked "Vicksburg House, No. 5."

Autonie Bouellier, colored, intoxicated, tried to board a vessel at Fort St. yesterday—fell into the river and was drowned.

Miss Cavidedly, who was dismissed from her place as principal of the Webster School, by the present School authorities, without cause, has sued the city for the amount due her of salary, for the unexpired term of the year for which she was elected.

The Dunn Homicide.—The Coroner has not yet made the inquest in the case of Patrick Dunn, who died from the effects of beating he received in the Lafayette square lock-up, on the night of the 30th ult. The iron bar with which Cummisky, it is alleged, inflicted the fatal injury, was not the police say, in the cell. It was in the passage between the rows of cells they add, and must have been got into the cell through the grating, by Cummisky reaching out for it, or by its being passed to him by prisoners in adjoining cells.

Judge Dibble's Decision in the Nixon Case.—The decision of Judge Dibble in the case of Col. J. O. Nixon has been much commented upon in both professional and lay circles. Col. Nixon was State printer by election of the Legislature in 1866 and 1867. He was paid in State warrants. The present Legislature, at the session lately adjourned, voted an appropriation to him of some fifty thousand dollars, to compensate him for discount, which, it was stated, he had suffered in selling the warrants for cash, and the Governor approved the bill.

The claim was assigned to Messrs. Salomon and Simpson; and Mr. Graham, the State Auditor, refused to issue a warrant upon the Treasury for the amount of the appropriation. A mandamus suit was entered in the Eighth District Court by the assignees to compel him to issue the warrant, and Judge Dibble has decided that the Auditor has rightfully refused the warrant, because the Legislature has not authority to make a donation or a gift to a private person, for which the State has received no consideration.

Louisiana Intelligence.

LAFOURCHE PARISH.—The Thibodaux *Sentinel* contains the following items:

The Tablequah, on her upward trip, on Wednesday, bore the remains of Peter Dalferes, Esq., to Plattonville, in the parish of Assumption, to be interred in the family cemetery by the side of his estimable wife, whose death occurred but three weeks previous to his own.

Capt. Dalferes was a native of Assumption, but for many years he had resided in Lockport, where he has been filling the office of Justice of the Peace for several years. Some 15 or 20 years since he was a steamboat man on the Lafourche, and for two or three seasons commanded some of the packets in the trade. Capt. Peter Dalferes was always noted for hospitality, generosity and warm friendship. About him there was no ostentation; what he did was the prompings of a truthful and noble mind.

Peace eternal to his memory.

Cremate.—On Tuesday morning, at 11 o'clock, the levee, to the extent of about 150 feet, gave way in front of D. McCleod's plantation, one mile below Lockport, now leased by Col. C. Lagarde. The water is now rushing through the opening with a depth of six or eight feet, overflowing the plantations in the rear. There most likely to be injured are Messrs. Lagarde, Barilleaux, Lyall, Forest, Theriot, and Gayoso plantation, leased by E. W. Blake, Esq., Sabatier and many small plantations in the Vacherie settlement.

A levee started on the lower line of Joseph Barilleaux's plantation, some two over the ridge, but it is believed to be sufficient to protect the place.

No attempts will be made to stop this crevasse, and the outlet is expected to relieve the remaining portions of the parish from inundation. The crops case of the levees is taken.

PLAQUEMINES PARISH.—The *Empire Parish Register* of April 1st announces the existence of a crevasse on the front owned by Mr. Soulie. It is a mile wide and threatens to overflow that part of the State.

Let young men remember that their chief happiness in life depends upon their choice in women. No worldly wisdom, no philosophy, no accomplishments can make up for the want of good truth. It stands like the Rock of Gibraltar—for it is nothing less than the foundation of all that an overburdened heart can wish for. Let young men remember that the sweet, kind, loving, true woman, who will be their companion, is worth more than all else in the world. Let them remember that her happiness depends on their character, and that no man can be happy with a woman he does not thoroughly respect. Let them remember that a woman's heart is her own, and that it is a sacred thing, to be won by honest, manly, earnest love, and that it can be worn only as a pure, unsullied gift. Let them remember that a woman's love is a plant that must be watered and cared for, and that it will die if it is left to take its chance among the weeds of passion, or be crushed by the rough feet of a careless or cruel man. Let them remember that a woman's love is a sacred thing, because it is the best gift God has given to man, and that it is the foundation of all that is good and pure in this world of ours. Let them remember that a woman who has once been deceived in a man, who has once had her love lightly and carelessly thrown back upon her hands, may be a good, and even a noble woman, but she can never be the woman she might have been had she married the man she could have loved with her whole soul, who would have been her husband but for that one fatal error