

San Antonio Express.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, MONDAY, DEC. 23, 1867.

NO. 6.

Doctors.

DR. F. HERFF,
Respectfully announces to his friends that he has resumed practice in the city. Office, at Nette's Drug store, on Commerce street. (d&stf)

DR. NOHL,
CITY PHYSICIAN,
Residence: opposite Green's east side of the river.
Office hours before eight o'clock A. M., and from 2 to 4 P. M. (dec. 5 dw tf.)

MORTIMER SLOCUM, M. D.,
Tenders his services to those citizens of San Antonio who wish to have medicine administered according to the Homoeopathic Law of cure. Office on Main street, two doors west of Post-Office. dly

NOTICE.

HAVING been educated as Midwife in Germany, and having done business as such with good success for long years, I solicit the patronage of the public of San Antonio and its neighborhood, and promise to justify the confidence which the public may place in me. My residence is Alamo street, near Feldmann's Bakery.

MARY KLAEBE,
San Antonio, August 20, 1866. no49-1f

MRS. ECKEL,
Graduate of "Marburg Institute, Europe," offers her services to the people of San Antonio as Midwife. Her long and varied experience in this service renders her one of the best practitioners. Residence, Main Avenue, opposite house of Mr. William Elliot. 6-ly.

Lawyers.

W. B. LEIGH, A. DITTMAR,
LEIGH & DITTMAR,
LAWYERS;
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
OFFICE FRENCH'S BUILDING, ROOM NO. 15. f 147-dawtf

G. V. NEWTON, C. V. PICQUE,
NEWTON & PICQUE,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
414-3rd-st. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

THEO. HERTZBERG & J. HOYER,
Notaries Public,
COMMERCE STREET,
Two doors east of Nette's Drug Store, sep18y SAN ANTONIO.

M. H. BOWERS, A. S. WALKER,
BOWERS & WALKER,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
Office—Congress Avenue,
(no. 11-1y) Austin, Texas.

JESSE STANCEL,
Attorney & Counsellor at-Law,
GALVESTON, TEXAS.
Prompt Attention to Business.
May 17, 1866. no34ly

Hotels.

Klopper Hotel.
FIRST CLASS ENTERTAINMENT!
Mrs. KLOPPER calls the attention of her friends to the extra facilities for travelers with teams. Attached to her house is a spacious yard fronting on the river, where any quantity of stock can be secured. dltf Commerce street, San Antonio.

WASHINGTON HOTEL,
Galveston, Texas.
M. F. THOMPSON,
Proprietor.
146-ly

INGRAM HOUSE,
VICTORIA, TEXAS.
WILLIAM J. NEELY, Proprietor.
This House is refurbished and opened for the public. Good Stabling on the premises. jy23&w3m-

THE TARDE HOUSE,
CASTROVILLE, TEXAS.
The above named well-known Hotel is open for the accommodation of the traveling or pleasure-seeking Public. The arrangements are complete throughout, and no pains are spared to make guests comfortable. To those who seek a quiet and elegant home in the country, this Hotel will suit them to a charm, and for comfort and cheapness it has no rival in the State. V. TARDE. 121tf

FOCKE & WILKENS,
COTTON FACTORS,
AND
General Commission Merchants,
OVERMAN'S BUILDING, GALVESTON.
Exchange on New Orleans New York, London, and Hamburg. jan8ly

J. E. COWEN,
IMPORTER AND JOBBER
OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS,
BOOTS, SHOES AND HATS,
4-6 HUTCHIN'S BUILDING, FRANKLIN ST
HOUSTON, Texas.
Special attention to filling orders, accompanied by cash or produce. 129tf

Cards of City Merchants.

TH. HERTZBERG, F. SIMON,
HERTZBERG & SIMON,
Glassware, Mouldings,
Fancy Goods, Pictures, Pipes,
Stationery, Brushes, Music,
NEWSPAPER AGENTS,
Commerce Street,
at S. S. Sampson's old stand,
SAN ANTONIO.
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DRESEL & BRIAN,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS
IN
Dry-Goods and Groceries,
HATS,
SHOES,
CROCKERY,
NOTIONS.
San Antonio, April 26, 1867. 113tf

PHILIP CONRAD,
Dealer in all kinds of FURNITURE
and House Furnishing Goods, Mattress
Maker and Upholsterer;
MAIN STREET,
Opposite Zork & Griesenbeck,
Keeps constantly on hand a full assortment of Mattresses; and offers his services for repairing furniture, paper hanging, curtain hanging, and carpeting.
San Antonio, May 6th. dly

STOVES!!
Cooking, Parlor and Box
STOVES,
Just received, and for sale at
NORTON & DEUTZ'S.
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WULF & SHETELIG,
Importers
General Commercial Agents,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,
Mexico, Texas,
cor. Alamo & North streets
je28

NORTON & DEUTZ,
SUCCESSORS TO NORTON & BRO.,
Hardware,
LEATHER,
AND
Woodenware Dealers,
SAN ANTONIO
Sept. 5 TEXAS.

A. STAACKE,
AGENT FOR THE MANUFACTORY OF
Wilson, Childs & Co.,
PHILADELPHIA.
Orders for any kind of their work solicited.
San Antonio, Texas, July 4, 1867.

W. A. BENNETT,
Banker,
Dealer in Exchange and Government
Securities,
San Antonio.
Will pay particular attention to the collection of Claims at all accessible points in Texas. dawtf

J. S. Lockwood,
BANKING AND EXCHANGE OFFICE,
on Commerce street,
opposite Dell & Bros. Jewelry store,
San Antonio.
Currency and Exchange bought and sold; Collections made on all accessible points. 80 tf

E. A. FLORIAN,
INSURANCE AGENT,
No. 3, French's Building,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
Capital Represented,
\$9,000,000
December 19, 1866. d3m

L. J. Dresch,
COMMISSION & FORWARDING
MERCHANT,
Eagle Pass, Tex.,
AND
PIEDRAS NEGRAS, MEXICO.
nov5tf

HIDES
Thought at the
HIGHEST MARKET PRICE,
ELMENDORF & Co.

New York Cards.

R. FEINBERG, & CO.,
Importers of
French, English & German
FANCY GOODS.
4 & 6 Warren Street, near Broadway
NEW YORK.
August 2^d [no48ly.]

BOGERT & OAKLEY,
IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
American, English, German, & French
Hardware,
Cuttlery,
Guns, &c.,
89 Pearl Street, and 56 Stone street,
NEW YORK.

Orders promptly executed at lowest prices. No Travelers or Drummers employed. All goods bearing our stamp warranted extra quality. sep26m

CONKLIN & DAVIS,
SUCCESSORS TO
J. CONKLIN & CO.,
GROCERS,
AND
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 94 Front street,
New York. je28

E. S. JAFFRAY & CO.,
DRY GOODS,
350 Broadway;
NEW YORK.

Flannels, Hosiery,
Gloves, Dress Shirts,
Collars and Ties,
Ribbons, Laces,
Shirt Brails,
Lace Articles,
Dress Goods, Silks.

White Goods,
Linen Goods,
Embroideries,
English Crapes,
Shawls,
Cloaks,
Yankee Notions, etc., etc. etc. 17septf

G. SCHMIDT, ROBERT VOIGHT,
SCHMIT & VOIGHT,
GENERAL
Commission Merchants,
Handley's Building, 41 Pine Street,
GALVESTON, NEW YORK.
August 23. [no48-ly.]

Gustav Theisen & Co.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
62 Cedar Street, New York.

BURTIS & FRENCH,
Importers and Jobbers of
CROCKERY,
CHINA AND GLASS WARE,
No. 12 Barclay street,
(Four doors below Astor House.)
je28ly.] New York.

N. L. McCREADY & COMPANY,
SHIPPING
Commission Merchants,
36 FOURTH STREET,
NEW YORK.
AGENTS—

For the old line of direct packets to Havana and Louisiana, Texas. Receive and forward goods to both ports free of commissions and insurance effected if desired. sep24ly

Indianola, Lavaca & Algeona.
W. WESTHOFF, L. PREUSS,
W. WESTHOFF & CO.,
INDIANOLA, TEXAS.
Wholesale Grocers,
Forwarding and Commission Merchants
And Dealers in Hardware.

Liberal advances made on consignments of Country Produce. [jy9

G. W. WARE & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
AND DEALERS IN
Hides, Wool, &c.,
LAVACA, TEXAS.

REFERENCES:
Frasier, Major & Co., New York,
Canal Bank, New Orleans,
W. H. H. Withers, Esq., New Orleans,
William Chrysler, San Antonio,
National Bank of Texas, Galveston,
Heyck & Helfferich, Lavaca,
Charles Taylor, Esq., Indianola.
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McNEENEY & HAIGNE,
Receiving, Forwarding
AND
General Commission Merchants,
ALLEYTON, TEXAS.
We cheerfully recommend this firm as being prompt, reliable, and worthy of patronage.
A. H. EDEY, Galveston, Texas.

NASBY.

[Written for the Toledo Blade.]

THE ALABAMA CONVENTION
—THE WOES OF JOHN GUTTLE, JR.—

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Dec. 1, 1867.

It is possible that this world may continue to exist—that the heavenly orbs may continue to roll about on each other's axes, and move in harmonious cycles into their respective spheres—that comets may continue to wheel and turn in regular orbits thro' the space assigned them in the grand economy in celestial space, but I doubt it. If such a disorganizational era I am now witnessin' doesn't overturn that order, which is Heaven's first law, all I kin say is, natcher is so constituted as to stand stannars as no ordinary magnitude. I am in Montgomery, in attendance, as a looker on in Venis, at the "constitoshenal convenshen," as it is called now in session in this accursed town. It wuz curiosity wich brot me hither. I hed heard uv this piebald body—uv this black and tan gatherin, in which niggers and white men—niggers in which the white blood predominated, and white men in which the nigger blood predominated, wuz gathered and settin side by side, the same as the Noer had never cust Ham and ez the nigger wuz not a beast, and not our inferior at all. Ez I gazed, I sed to myself.

"The times is out uv joint, O—cussed spite, That I wuz ever born to set em rite."

I entered the hall with the son uv my old friend, John Guttle. John Jr. is a chip uv the old Guttle block. When I arrived I found him leanin upon the bar uv a small grognery, a smokin a cigar and a lookin ez disconsolate ez mortal eod. Shakin hands with him, a momentary gleam uv joy shot athwart his careworn face ez he invited himself to drink with me. Not feeling it rite to deprive him uv one little ray uv contentment, I stood drinks not only for him but for a dozen more which I found leaning on their elbows on the bar, all uv em with a cigar atween their teeth, uv wich the lite hed gone out in consequence uv ther been too much discouraged to draw em. I knowd the most uv these young men in the happy days uv yore. They wuz all the sons uv planters in the vicinity—all uv em uv the first families of Alabama, whose fathers hed wunst owned their thousand akers apiece, and hed brot em up ez the troo shivelry uv the South wuz aluz brot up. There wuznt one uv em but had worn the most magnificent broadcloth, and, in his day, won and lost his thousands at faro. Ther wuznt wun uv em but wat wuz up in all the ennoblin sports wich wuz the delight uv the shivelry uv the South, sich ez pitchin dollars, draw poker and horse-racin, and scarcely wun uv em but who had fought doozels in his time, and every man uv em hed slaughtered his hecatons uv Yankees in the late war. Yet here they stood, out at elbows, with asplis hats, and all in the last stage of seedinis.

"Cheer up!" said I, ez we sot down the tumbler. I turned and told the barkeeper that ez soon ez I drawed my pay and mileage I would call and settle for the drinks.

"W-a-t?" sed he.

"I'm a member uv the Constoshnel Convenshun," sed I, "and when I get my pay and mileage I'll call."

"No you don't," said he, accizing me by the collar. "No you don't. There haint bin a member uv a convenshun or legislacher in these doozs since Pope's bin here. Pay now, or—"

Seeing my little strategy woodn't work I reluctantly forked over.

The young men wuz in a dreadful state uv dilapidashun, and their murmuring wuz more like the lamentashuns uv Job than anything I hed heard for a long time.

"Why," sed John Guttle, Jr., "the old man, when he departed this life, left me thousand akers uv land, but wat wuz it good for? I hed no niggers! The accursed whelps refused to work without wagis, and that I wouldnt pay them on principle. Finally they comenst making offers for the land, in patches uv from ten to fifty akers, and crool necessity compelled me to accept it. The money I reserved I wuz compelled to live on, until my paternal akers wuz redogst to a scant hundred. The produx uv a hundred akers would support me, but it won't prodoze. I hev no labor—where kin I git the labor?"

"Yes," exclaimed all uv the dozen young men, rollin over onto tather

elbow, "Guttle's case is our own. We all have land, but where's the labor?"

I wuz about to commiserate 'em, when the bar-keep struck in. He wood sejest, he remarkt, that possibly, under the circumstances, it would be better if, instid uv layin on ther elbows askin "wher's the labor?" they shoold go and do a little uv it themselves. Troo, if they shoold do it, he woodn't see ez much uv em, but they wood be able to pay suthin for the liker they consuomed.

John Guttle and I wended our way to the Hall into which the Convenshan wuz a sittin. In the Hall wat a site! On the rite wuz a nigger on the floor and makin a speech; on the left wuz a nigger of majestic presence, with his feet kockt up onto the desk in front uv him, ablootly readin a newspaper, and another wuz just a comin in towards his seat a pickin his teeth with ez much composure ez though he had never did anything in his life but be a member uv constoshnel convenshuns. All about the hall in various attitudes sot niggers of various shades, and all uv em well dressd, self-possesed, and without a particle uv that healthy humililty with the race hed allus displayed wun in the presence uv their scooperis.

"Good God!" sed I to Guttle, after I hed recovered from my astonishment. "Am I awake, or am I dreamin? Tell me, please, who are these niggers?"

"Dost see that nearly wite nigger on the floor offerin a resolution?" sed Guttle, hoarse with emoshun. "That nigger is my property. His mother wuz sold to Orleans twenty years ago, on account uv a resemblance wich my mother fancied she saw in him to my lamented father. I kep him ez my servant, and the yellor cuss somehow learned to read. He owns part uv a place the old man hed in the north part uv the State. That one on the rite who is bizzy writin, is another wun of mine—a blacksmith, wich the old man bot on purpose to do his repairin, coz the white blacksmith wich wuz located near us cost too much. He wuz cheap at \$2,000, coz uv his bein a scoopor workman, and I am told that the incapable bin hev a shop now uv his own, and h'e's a pile uv money in the savins bank, while I—his natural scoopor—hev to depend onto the chance liborality uv a comparative strange like you for the very drink wich I am now parched for wat uv."

And the unfortnit young man busted into tears, wich we went out and assuaged.

Returnin, he resumed:

"That mulatto on the left, by the double winder, is a carpenter and wunst my property. He bot uv me fifty akers uv land for a mere song, and when delegates wuz to be elected to th-a yere convenshon he ran agin me, and beat me four to one, the ungrateful niggers wich we had worked all our lives ablootly preferin him to me to legislate for em."

And he busted into tears agin.

Findin the excitement wuz too great for him I gently led him out uv the hall.

"Wat," sed I, "is to be the end uv all this?"

"God only knows," sed he; "I don't. There is nothin but rooin ahead and on each side uv us. These niggers and the crazy whites in league with em, hev now sole control uv Alabama, and they are mashin down the respectable old barriers wich kep the yaces in their place. They are passin all sorta uv ordinances pervidin for skool; they hev given themselves the ballot and disfranchisment uv who served the Confederacy, so that the power will be theirs for all time to come. The result is already manifested in wat they hev done. Out-near my place, just west uv Mobile, they have a village and a skool-house in wich they are taught readin, ritin, arithmetic and all sorta uv devilmint, by a nigger skool-man wich is sent by the Freedmen's Commission in the North. They refuse to work for any uv us unless we pay in advance, and consequently, ez we can't get labor, our farms is runnin to weeds. And to make matters wuz, the convenshen is a makin labor a lien upon the crops, and so hamprin us that it does seem to me that they intended to deliberately rooin us. They are establishin skools, and churches, and villages everywhere; and wat is particielerly oppressive, we havn't the power to stop em in their mad career. Politick power we have none, and when it comes to force, the beast Pope stands here sek-or behind the bayonets he controls. Good Lord, I—but let's drink."

Wich we did, I payis for it.

I shal leave here to-morrer. I kin never bear to hev niggers pass me clothed in broadcloth, wich papers stickin out uv ther pockets. I kin never bear the degradation uv havin niggers pass me without takin off ther hats and steppin respectfully off uv the sidewalk. Thank God that Kentucky did not open'y rebel. There, at least, we kin keep him in his normal sepor.

PETROLEUM V. NASBY, P. M.,
(wich is Postmaster.)

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONVENTION.

It having become definitely known at what time the election for Convention or no Convention will be held, and at the same time vote for those who are to compose that Convention, it becomes our solemn duty to look about us and select those who are best qualified for that high and important body.

The malicious passions which raged between rebel and Union families during the war, which yet remains hidden in the breasts of Union men and is so outspoken among rebels must not be brought forward in the Convention.

We must not fail to break down the bulwarks by which the defiant slave-oligarchy held the masses in almost absolute slavery, even if these haughty few are swept into poverty, but our legislation must not look like persecution, let us build up defenses guaranteeing political and civil equality to all races, classes, and conditions, and the slave oligarchy will suffer only in proportion to the opposition they present to this new era.

The nation wants, and is determined to have peace and repose and a definite settlement of its troubles, not resentment; let us then have security for the future, not indemnity for the past.

But the work of the Convention, should it keep strictly within the landmarks mapped out in the Reconstruction acts, will secure, what will be material to its consummation, a powerful moral support in the North.

In future years, when the rampant passions, which have raged so fiercely, shall have been buried away with the persons whose natures were inflamed by them, men, dispassionate, calm, scrupulous, critical, and seeking truth alone, will sit down to deliberate investigation, such as cannot be made now, into the motives and conduct of the present generation.

By Telegraph.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE EXPRESS.]

Markets.

LIVERPOOL, December 20.—Cotton unchanged; sales 8,000 bales.

LONDON, December 19.—Consols 92 1/16.

NEW YORK, December 20.—Cotton 15 1/2.

Gold 134 to 134 1/4.

Cotton sales 1,800 bales at 15 1/2.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 19.—A Democratic caucus nominated Eugene Cassidy to the Senate.

Fire in Vicksburg.

NEW ORLEANS, December 23.—There was another large fire in Vicksburg at midnight, last night, which destroyed fifty-seven thousand dollars' worth of property, of which thirty-five thousand was covered by insurance.

New Orleans Items.

NEW ORLEANS, December 20.—Special Order No. 214, dated yesterday, revokes a portion of Special Orders No. 191 and 192, by General Mower, relieving the Judges of the Fourth District Court, the Clerks of the Third, Fourth and Sixth District Courts, third Justice of the Peace, Tax Collectors of the First and Fourth District, Superintendent of Public Education and Secretary of State, and appointing others in their places.

They are the removals which were suspended on orders from Washington. General Hancock's order states that the evidence submitted does not sustain the allegations contained in said order of removal.

Paragraph fourth of the same order confirms the question of Mower's Orders, No. 173 and 176, removing the Coroner and third Justice of the Peace, but makes new appointments of these officers in the order, the charge of malfeasance of office against them not being sustained.

The parties named as proposing to take the bonds issued by the Convention having denied all connection, Judge Croley introduced a resolution repealing Blackburn's ordinance authorizing the issue of three hundred thousand dollars in bonds, which was referred. It is stated that members of the Convention offered their warrants to brokers for discount, but could get no taker at any price.

Resolutions were adopted yesterday requesting Congress to pass a law ordering all public lands and lakes sold by the United States Marshal and sold in tracts of not more than one hundred or less than five acres, forbidding the sale of more than one such tract to one individual or corporation.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, December 20.—The veto of the bill for striking out the word "white" from the District ordinances had not come in, and there is some difference of opinion; but the presumption is that this amounts to a pocket veto.

A full Cabinet meeting was held to-day.

A count to-day indicates that the repeal of the cotton tax, had it been taken, would have failed by two votes. A modification of the tax is probable, but it will hardly apply to this year's crop.

SENATE.—A petition from citizens of Ohio was presented, asking an increase of the currency. Referred to the Committee on Finances.

A memorial was presented, signed by forty Presidents and Professors of Colleges, asking for the abolition of the tax on philosophical apparatus. Referred to the committee on Finances.

The cotton tax was resumed, and wild and wide views expressed.

The House bill amending the Reconstruction act, to make a majority of voters ratify a Constitution, was read, then went into Executive session and adjourned.

HOUSE.—The bill forfeiting the lands granted to Southern railroads, came up. Julian maintained that none except the New Orleans & Opelousas Road had complied with the terms of the grant. The matter was finally postponed to the second Tuesday in January.

Mexican News.

HAVANA, December 19.—Juarez delivered his message, which is highly eulogistic of the people of the United States for their aid in defeating European intervention.

Not less than two hundred thousand persons have settled in Missouri during the past year. The growth of our Western States and Territories is one of the wonders of this marvelous age.

Just think what Texas would be if two hundred thousand emigrants were to settle in it in one year. And the thing is quite possible and probable to come to pass, if we succeed in establishing free speech, free soil, free labor, and making free men of all its citizens.

New Advertisements.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The Co partnership heretofore existing under the name of Cochran, Bayless & Co. having been dissolved by limitation, Mr. Thomas Cochran will close up the old business.

THOMAS B. COCHRAN, A. H. BAYLESS, GEORGE C. BENNETT. San Antonio, Texas, December 21, 1867.

Having this day sold to Messrs. Bennett & Minter our stock of Groceries, we take pleasure in recommending them to our former customers as in every respect worthy of their confidence.

COCHRAN, BAYLESS & CO. San Antonio, Texas, December 21, 1867.

We, the undersigned, having purchased the entire stock of Groceries of Messrs. Cochran, Bayless & Co., will continue the business at their Old Stand, under the style and firm of Bennett & Minter, and will keep on hand a Complete Stock in their line, and solicit a continuance of the patronage of the old firm.

GEORGE C. BENNETT, J. F. MINTER. San Antonio, Texas, December 21, 1867.

OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT.

NEW ORLEANS, La. December 13th, 1867. SEALED PROPOSALS, are invited and will be received at this office until 12 M. January 13th, 1868, for the purchase of all the rights, title and interest of the United States, in and to the United States Military Railroad, from Brazos Santiago to White's Rancho, Texas.

The sale will include the entire track and sidings, buildings, water stations, turntables, &c., the railroad materials and supplies pertaining to the road, together with the rolling stock, cars, machinery, and other equipments as follows:

- 34 miles Railroad track.
4 Claw Bars. Used.
2 Pinch Bars. do
6 Stuffing Boxes. do
30,000 lbs. Railroad chairs. Good.
5,000 lbs. Railroad iron. do
1 Locomotive. Unserviceable.
1 Locomotive and Tender. Serviceable.
1 Locomotive Head light. Unserviceable.
14 Coupling Links. Good.
555 lbs. Car Springs. do
12,000 lbs. Railroad spikes. do
500 Cross Ties. do
2 Spike Bars. Used.
20 Square Braces. Good.
7 Flat Cars. Worn but serviceable.
2 Crows feet. Worn.
4 Railroad Frogs and 3 Switch Stand-ers.
4 Spike nails. Worn.
2 Jack Screws and levers. do
2 Turn tables. do
1 Fire tongs. do
2 Screw wrenches. do
1 Hand car. do
2 Push car wheels. do
1 Sledge. do
1 Push car. do
4 Hand car wheels. do

This sale will not include the title to the land, which does not belong to the United States, nor to the bridge over the "Boca Chica."

This road is about ten miles in length, and extends from Brazos Santiago to White's Rancho on the Rio Grande. From this point connection is made by Steamer with Brownsville and Matamoros.

Of the ten Miles, 3 1/2-160 are washed away by a late hurricane, 4 1/2-160 are in running order, although not continuous, and about 1 1/2-160 miles of the material are buried in sand.

The route is the shortest and best for the immense traffic between the Gulf of Mexico and the interior of Southern Texas and Northern Mexico, and the communication by rail alone can readily be extended to Brownsville.

The railroad to White's Rancho saves thirty miles of difficult and tortuous navigation. The road is five feet gauge, good ties, T rail, and full spiked.

The property may be inspected on application to Capt. C. H. Hoyt, A. Q. M., Brownsville, Texas, and any information desired may be obtained from that officer, or from the office of the Chief Quartermaster, Fifth Military District, at New Orleans, La.

A condition of the sale will be that transportation shall be furnished for all government troops and supplies, whenever required, at rates not to exceed those paid by the United States to other railroad companies in the Fifth Military District.

City Advertisements.

Sabbath School Examination. The Examination of the scholars connected with the Sunday School of the Methodist Episcopal Colored Church of this city and of which the Rev. Nace Deval is pastor, will take place on Sunday morning next, the 22nd inst at 10 o'clock, a. m.

The Rev. gentleman desires that the parents of the scholars should be in attendance. WELLINGTON PETERS, Superintendent.

C. E. JEFFERSON, DAN MURPHY, JEFFERSON & MURPHY AUCTIONEERS.

COMMERCIAL BROKERS, Main Plaza, San Antonio, Texas. Respectfully Solicit Consignments. Have abundant space for any quantity of goods for:

Auction, Private Sale or Storage. Also, a large yard for Carriages, Wagons, Stock, &c. Stock Auction every Saturday at 10 o'clock. Mules and Horses always on hand for sale.

Cotton bought and sold. Particular attention paid to the purchase and sale of Real Estate. Also, to the disposition of Bonded Goods. (dec 20-f)

House and Lot for Sale.

The house and lot situated on Goliad street, the property of E. Hecppa, is for sale. The house has three rooms, each 20 by 18 feet; a warehouse is attached 40 by 16 feet. All in good order and title guaranteed.

Apply to the owner or at the office of the San Antonio Express. If sale is not made before January 6th, 1868, the above will be sold on that day to the highest bidder. nov26dawif

DISSOLUTION.

The mercantile co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name, style and firm of R. Wulping & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

The settlement of the business of said firm will be made by E. Cramer, and all debts due thereto, collected by him. R. WULPING, E. CRAMER, M. KRAUKAU.

Referring to above circular the undersigned will continue the business under his own name. C. CRAMER. San Antonio, Dec. 5, 1867. (1-f)

NOTICE.

The Mayor will be in attendance at the Mayor's office every day from 8 o'clock A. M. till 12 o'clock M. and from 2 o'clock P. M. till sun down. On Sundays from 8 o'clock till 10 o'clock, A. M.

Regular meetings of the City Council every 1st and 3rd Mondays in each month. W. C. A. THIELEPAPE, Mayor, Attest: MARTIN H. CAMPBELL, City Sec. San Antonio, Dec. 2nd, 1867. (d1m)

Steinway's Pianos.

The first Grand Gold Medal awarded at the Universal Exposition in Paris, 1867, for the three styles, viz: Grand, Square and Upright.

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PROPOSALS will be received until the 26th inst. for the purchase of the property near San Antonio, Texas, known as the "Government Tannery and Steam Saw Mill" with seventy five acres of land, more or less, appertaining to the same property.

The Tannery consists of twelve (12) stone lime vats; fifty two (52) wooden vats; seven thousand square feet; and capable of tanning fifteen thousand (15,000) hides per annum; one steam saw mill, and one small stone house. Terms of sale will be one-half of the amount of purchase money, to be paid upon the delivery of a deed, and possession of the property, and the balance on the (1st) first day of July, 1868.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids not deemed satisfactory.

Proposals will be addressed to Lieut. J. P. Richardson, A. A. Q. M. and C. D. O., Galveston, Texas, and marked "Proposals for purchase of San Antonio Tannery."

The above property will be sold under authority of the Commissioner of the Bureau R. F. and A. L.

J. P. RICHARDSON, Lieut. and A. A. Q. M. and C. D. O. dec 18 d26.

OFFICE BUREAU REFUGES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS, GALVESTON, TEXAS, Dec. 10th, 1867.

PROPOSALS will be received until the 26th inst., for the purchase or lease, for a term of years, satisfactory to the lessee, of the buildings, tenements and lands appertaining to the same, of the property in Waco, now held by the United States, and commonly known as the "Waco Factory."

Detailed description of this property can be had at the office of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, in Austin, Waco and Galveston.

Terms of sale or lease will be one half the amount of the lease or purchase money to be paid on the delivery of the transfer papers, and the balance on the 1st of July, 1868.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids if not deemed satisfactory.

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Local Intelligence.

THE COMMENCEMENT OF A NEW ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL—EXHUMING OF HUMAN BONES.—During the past week workmen have been busy digging trenches for the foundation of a new Cathedral, to take the place now occupied by the ancient church. In digging, the workmen have exhumed large quantities of human bones, the whole yard seeming to have been thickly laid with human bodies. The time when this church yard was used as a burial place, is hardly within the memory of the oldest inhabitants. For a hundred years these bones have slept in quiet beneath all the contentions of human wars and revolutions, and at last are thrown up by a new generation of men, and upon their mold is to rest the foundation of a modern temple of worship. Their names have been forgotten—even their race, their deeds, their history; the only thing we know is that they belong to the human family.

COTTON AND WHEAT.—A train of wagons loaded with sixty bales of cotton arrived in the city on Saturday; the cotton was destined for Mexico. At the same time of the arrival of the cotton, a train laden with wheat for our flouring mills, arrived from Mexico. Mexico is our best customer for cotton, but as long as we allow her to find a market for her wheat here, we will not have much the advantage of the exchange. It is high time our farmers were going into the culture of wheat, which can most certainly be grown anywhere in Western Texas under proper tillage.

THE CIRCUS.—The Circus still lingers among us, and the crowds to see the wonders seem to increase each night. The Trapez is probably the best in the country; and the visit to the Lions' den is a scene that impresses one with horror and interest. The trained Horse is a wonderful evidence of the influence of man over animals; and the Elephant is a curiosity that none should fail to see. Taken altogether this combination presents a greater variety of interesting amusements than any heretofore in the city.

BEAR COUNTY AHEAD.—WESTON BEATY.—Some time ago, Antonio Rodriguez, living at Graytown, about eighteen miles below here, on the San Antonio River, arose at the usual hour in the morning, and, upon finding the coffee all gone, put on his hat, walked to this city, purchased his coffee, and started back, reaching home in time for breakfast. Mr. R. is a young man of sixty springs.

LET IT BE KNOWN that the Honorable George R. Scott, Judge of the 18th Judicial District, vice Neal removed, proscribed his judicial garb by organizing at the dead of night, and in the dark, a secret political clan known as the Loyal League of Atascosa county.—San Antonio Herald, Dec. 22.

LET IT BE KNOWN that the above is simply a deliberate lie. The Council of the Loyal League was formed in Atascosa county by citizens of that county before Judge Scott visited it.

A SAD CASE.—A sad case was brought before the Mayor on Saturday afternoon. A woman named Mary N. Wall was arrested for cruelly beating her little boy, and threatening to burn him. The woman was under the influence of liquor. She was sent to the city prison and the child to the hospital, under the care of the matron.

BUSINESS.—Business during the last week has been good among our merchants, though many complain that it is not as good as they expected. Last Saturday was a most busy day, the streets being crowded all day.

MAXON'S COURT, December 21, 1867.—Frank Alvaver, drunk; fined \$10 and costs.

The State vs. Amecia Equwal, horse stealing; accused by W. A. Wallace. The case was dismissed for want of sufficient proof.

AMOUNT OF CITY SCRIP RETURNED.—The amount of city scrip returned up to Saturday, the 21st instant, is \$8,675.12.

THE BAND.—The long-expected Military Band arrived in our city on Saturday.

DISTRICT COURT.—The District Court opens to-day.

STODOL'S new Christmas books arrived Saturday.

THE SHORTEST DAY.—Saturday was the shortest day of the year.

A CARD.

It is our disagreeable duty to occasionally make public the underground movements of some of our most contemptible wire-workers, and as a consequence we expect an outburst of low, insulting wrath from that quarter. As a sample of the kind of trash we have to deal with, is shown by the card in Sunday's Herald, signed "D. Russi," who acknowledges himself the keeper of a low bop-house, and who struggles to upset the present administration. We feel compelled to make it known to said D. Russi, that we did not mention his name for the purpose of making him use abusive language; nobody doubts his ability in this direction; but simply to show what dirty sort of people are used by our Conservative friends to further their purposes. A. SIEMERING.

Major-General Reynolds is expected in this city, on his way to Austin, next Monday. It is understood his action in regard to removals in Texas, has been fully sustained by General Hancock.—Houston Telegraph, 19th.

The Finca (Va.) Herald is credited with the following remarkable item: "Edward Walts, a son of Colonel J. G. Sperry, of Botetourt country, has had the pleasure of seeing and conversing with his father, grandfather, great-grandfather and great-great-grandfather, all living at the same time."

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PUBLIC ACTS OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

CHAP. CLVII.—An Act to provide for the quieting of certain Land Titles in the late disputed Territory in the State of Maine, and for other Purposes.

[CONTINUED.]

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, to Edmund Moore and Benjamin Sewall, of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred and forty dollars, in the proportion of three fourths thereof to the former and one-fourth to the latter, in full compensation for three thousand three hundred and eighty-five acres of land, including the timber previously taken therefrom, in the western half of "Plymouth township," so called, in the State of Maine, and the sum of six thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars to Rufus Mansur, of Houlton, Maine, and James A. Dr. W. of Chelsea, Massachusetts, in full compensation for six thousand and ninety-two acres of land, including the timber previously taken therefrom, and ninety-two acres of land, including the timber previously taken therefrom, in the eastern half of said township, to which the said parties severally lost title by the operation of the fourth article of the aforesaid treaty: Provided, That the regulations, restrictions, and provisions contained in the provision to the first section of this act shall be made, to all intents and purposes, applicable to this section.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Laura A. Stebbins, of Bangor, Maine, and Catherine C. Ward, of Dorchester, Massachusetts, the sum of five thousand six hundred and forty-seven dollars; and to Edmund Moore and Benjamin Sewall, of the city of Boston, in Massachusetts, the sum of seven thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars, in the proportion of three fourths of the same to said Moore, and one-fourth to said Sewall; and to James A. Drew, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and Rufus Mansur, of Houlton, Maine, the sum of nine thousand three hundred and twenty-eight dollars; the said several sums being in full compensation, at the rate of one dollar per acre, for timber taken from lands owned by said parties, respectively, and located in the Eaton Grant at Plymouth township, (so called,) in the State of Maine, and within the district recognized as the "disputed territory," and which timber was taken off and lost to the proprietors in consequence of the diplomatic arrangement entered into between the United States and Great Britain in eighteen hundred and thirty-two, by which both parties agreed to abstain from the exercise of jurisdiction in said territory: Provided, That if a payment authorized and required by this act may be made, in whole or in part, at the option of the Secretary of the Treasury, in any of the bonds of the United States, bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, which have been, or may hereafter be, authorized by law to be issued.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLVIII.—An Act to provide for the Payment of Fines and Penalties collected by or paid the Justice of the Peace in the District of Columbia under the Acts of Congress approved the third and fifth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the several justices of the peace of the District of Columbia who have imposed fines under the acts of Congress approved the third and fifth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, make a full and faithful report of their doings in that behalf, stating the name of the party, the amount of fine imposed, and the name of the witnesses examined in each case, to the superintendent of metropolitan police, and shall pay over all moneys in their hands arising from such fines to the said superintendent; and such of said justices as shall fail by the time specified to make such report, and comply with the other provisions of this law, shall be liable to a fine of not less than three hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, to be collected from said justices by prosecution in the criminal court in the said District of Columbia; and it shall be the duty of the superintendent of metropolitan police to inspect the dockets kept by the said justices of the peace, for the purpose of ascertaining the amount so collected as aforesaid by them; and the said justices shall submit their dockets to the inspection of the said superintendent; and failing to do so, shall pay a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars, to be collected as above.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That said justices of the peace shall on or before the fifteenth day of July in each and every year, make a full and faithful report of their doings as aforesaid, for the preceding year to the superintendent of metropolitan police, and shall pay over all moneys in their hands arising from such fines to the said superintendent; and if any justice shall fail to comply with the provisions of this law, he shall be liable to a fine of not less than five hundred dollars, to be collected as provided in the first section of this act.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLIX.—An Act for the Relief of the Register of the Land Office at Vincennes, Indiana, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to make such allowance for office rent during the temporary continuance of the land office at Vincennes, Indiana, as may in his opinion, be just and proper.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said Secretary be authorized to adjust the account of John Moore, postmaster at Vincennes, Indiana, and allow him, at the usual rates for such services, compensation for the custody of the books, papers, and so forth, of the land office at Vincennes, Indiana, during the time the same were in his charge, under instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, dated September third, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight; these allowances to be paid out of the appropriation for incidental expenses of district land offices: Provided, That the total sum paid under this act shall not exceed five hundred dollars.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLX.—An Act for Relief in the Land Claim in California, known as the Claim of Francisco Soberanes to a Tract of Land known as "Sanjon de Santa Rita."

Whereas, in the district court of the United States for the southern district of California, in the case of Francisco Soberanes vs.

The United States, for the rancho lying in the State of California known by the name of Sanjon de Santa Rita, a decree filed on the ninth day of February, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, was entered, confirming to the said Soberanes the said tract of land, known by the name of Sanjon de Santa Rita; and whereas, on the presentation of the mandate of the Supreme Court of the United States, dismissing the appeal to the said Supreme Court of the United States in said cause, the said decree was made final by a decree of said district court, rendered on the first day of November, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, whereas the land confirmed as aforesaid lies in the northern district of California, as ascertained by a final survey of the same: Therefore—

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the said decrees of the district court of the United States for the southern district of California shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, as valid and effectual as if the same had been rendered by the district court of the United States for the northern district of California.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLXI.—An Act confirming a Land Claim in the State of Iowa, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the grant of lands to the then Territory of Iowa for the improvement of the Des Moines River, made by the act of August eight, eighteen hundred and forty-six, is hereby extended so as to include the alternate sections (designated by odd numbers) lying within five miles of said river, between the Racoon fork and the northern boundary of said State; such lands are to be held and applied in accordance with the provisions of the original grant, except that the consent of Congress is hereby given to the application of a portion thereof to aid in the construction of the Keokuk, Fort Des Moines and Minnesota railroad, in accordance with the provisions of the act of the general assembly of the State of Iowa, approved March twenty-two, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight. And if any of said lands shall have been sold or otherwise disposed of by the United States before the passage of this act, excepting those released by the United States to the grantees of the State of Iowa under the joint resolution of March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to set apart an equal amount of lands within said State to be certified in lieu thereof: Provided, That if the said State shall have sold and conveyed any portion of the lands lying within the limits of this grant the title of which has proved invalid, any lands which shall be certified to said State in lieu thereof by virtue of the provisions of this act shall inure to, and be held as a trust fund for the benefit of the person or persons respectively whose titles shall have failed as aforesaid.

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CHAP. CLXIII.—An Act increasing, temporarily, the Duties on Imports, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the first day of August, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-two, in lieu of the duties heretofore imposed by law on the articles hereinafter mentioned there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the goods, wares, and merchandise, herein enumerated and provided for, imported from foreign countries, the following duties and rates of duty that is to say:

On sirup of sugar, or of sugar cane, or concentrated molasses, or concentrated melado, two cents per pound;

On all sugar not above number twelve, Dutch standard in color, two and one-half cents per pound;

On all sugar above number twelve, and not above number fifteen, Dutch standard in color, three cents per pound;

On all sugar above number fifteen, not above number twenty, Dutch standard in color, three and one-half cents per pound;

On all refined sugar in form of loaf, lump, crushed, powdered, pulverized, or granulated, and all steve-dried or others sugar above number twenty Dutch standard in color, four cents per pound: Provided, That the standards by which the color and grades of sugars are to be regulated shall be selected and furnished to the collectors of such ports of entry as may be necessary, by the Secretary of the Treasury, from time to time and in such manner as he may deem expedient;

On sugar candy, not colored, six cents per pound; on all other confectionery, made wholly or in part of sugar, and on sugars, after being refined, when uncolored, colored, or in any way adulterated, ten cents per pound;

On molasses, six cents per gallon: Provided, That all sirups of sugar or sugar cane, concentrated molasses or concentrated melado, entered under the name of molasses or any other name of molasses or any other name than sirup of sugar, or of sugar cane, concentrated molasses, or concentrated melado, shall be liable to forfeiture to the United States, and the same shall be forfeited;

On cigars of all kinds, valued at five dollars or less per thousand, thirty-five cents per pound; valued at over five dollars and not over ten dollars per thousand, forty cents per pound; valued at over ten dollars and not over twenty dollars per thousand, forty-five cents per pound; valued at over twenty dollars per thousand, one dollar per pound; and in addition thereto on all cigars valued at over ten dollars per thousand, ten per centum ad valorem: Provided, That paper cigars, or cigarettes, including wrappers, shall be subject to the same duties imposed on cigars;

On snuff, thirty-five cents per pound;

On tobacco, in leaf unmanufactured and not stemmed, twenty-five cents per pound;

On stemmed, and tobacco manufactured of all descriptions, not otherwise provided for, thirty-five cents per pound.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That from and after the day and year aforesaid, in addition to the duties heretofore imposed by law, on the articles hereinafter mentioned, and included in this section, there shall be levied, collected, and paid on the goods, wares, and merchandise herein enumerated and provided for, imported from foreign countries, the following duties and rates of duty, that is to say:

On brandy, for first proof, twenty-five cents per gallon;

On other spirits, manufactured or distilled from grain or other materials for first proof, fifty cents per gallon;

On cordials, and liqueurs of all kinds, and arrack, absynthe, kitchinwasser, ratafia, and other similar spiritous beverages not otherwise provided for, twenty-five cents per gallon;

On any rum, twenty-five cents per gallon;

On ale, porter, and beer, in bottles, or otherwise, five cents per gallon;

On all spiritous liquors not otherwise enumerated, sixteen and two-thirds per centum ad valorem: Provided, That no lower rate or amount of duty shall be levied, collected, and paid, on brandy, spirits, and all

other spiritous beverages, than that fixed by law for the description of first proof, but shall be increased in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of first proof: And provided further, That bottles containing wines subject to ad valorem duties shall be liable to and pay the same rate of duty as that fixed upon the wines therein contained.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That from and after the day and year aforesaid, in addition to the duties heretofore imposed by law on the articles hereinafter mentioned and included in this section, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the goods, wares, and merchandise, herein enumerated and provided for, imported from foreign countries, the following duties and rates of duty, that is to say:

On bar iron, rolled or hammered, comprising flats not less than one inch or more than seven inches wide, nor less than one quarter of an inch or more than two inches thick; rounds not less than one-half an inch nor more than four inches in diameter; and squares not less than one-half an inch nor more than four inches square, not exceeding in value the sum of fifty dollars per ton, two dollars per ton; exceeding in value the sum of fifty dollars per ton, three dollars per ton;

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