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Colored Schools in the South.

Two Catholic priests who are traveling through the South for their health, have taken the opportunity to visit the schools established for the colored children. One of them, Father Malone, writes a very interesting letter on the subject, from which the following is taken: "In Charleston we visited the schools in which the colored children are receiving an education. The 'Memorial School'—erected chiefly by funds raised in Boston, in memory of Colonel Shaw—is a fine frame building. There are over 400 children, whose teachers are chiefly from the North; but among them are two Catholic young ladies, natives of the city. The children were examined in arithmetic, reading, etc., and they all really acquitted themselves as well as any white children I have seen. The teachers assured us they were as quick at learning, so far as any white children they ever taught; and what is more, they manifested a better spirit of obedience.

"A second school—also numbering 400—under the charge of a Presbyterian organization in the North was next entered. Here we had the same experience, save that the principal manifested a little timidity when we told him we were Catholic priests. From this school we passed to one on Morris street, which was originally used for white pupils. It is now in the hands of the city authorities, and is used by them. There is a good staff of teachers, and what is a very hopeful sign, they are all from the State of South Carolina. Over eight hundred children—all colored—are instructed in the various branches—reading, writing, arithmetic, &c. The teachers assured us they were pleased with the progress, attendance, and obedience of the children of this school. "This state of things would not exist but for the war. Set it down as one of the happy results of the terrible conflict. If the animus of New England reigned not here, no one having the slightest tint of Africa would dare know the difference between A and a. But intelligence and respect for individual rights are marching on, and no spirit of aristocracy can impede it.

"Any legislation that does not tend to make the black man self-reliant will fail of doing him permanent good. He must be taught to rely on himself, and appeal to law where his stronger brother invades his rights. This is what will be accomplished for the rising generation to a great extent by disseminating schools all over the South. Here in Jacksonville the bureau is erecting schools; one good effect will be to stimulate the whites, who have been woefully neglected in the matter of education."

Social Drinking.

It is a fact generally admitted by all sensible persons, that the habit of liquor drinking is the most absurd and inexcusable of destructive nonsense known to this or any other age in the history of the world. It is particularly prevalent to all the cities of the country and appears to be annually increasing.

The money poured down the throats of men each year is greater than the amount expended for improvements. If a man is tired he drinks. If he is at work, he must have a nip each hour. If too warm he takes a mild julep. If too cold, a hot whiskey. If he is by himself, out comes a flask or bottle. If in company, he stands until his money is gone; then, like a dead-beat, sits around till some one asks him up.

A man on moderate salary steps into a saloon, invites half a dozen friends to drink, pays half a dollar or more and walks out. Three or four times a day he repeats this, and always drinks when asked. It is social. Men mean nothing by it. But during the week half of a man's salary has been poured down his throat, destroying his stomach, weakening his nerves, over-exciting his brain, robbing himself and family of money needed for other purposes. But it is social! Drink in the morning—at noon—at night and a few times between drinks. The brain whirls—the hand grows unsteady—the pocket grows empty—the home one suffers—the eye looks red and tremulous as if ashamed—ambition is drowned or poisoned.

for business. He makes mistakes. He is sick, unable to work. He is not the man to be relied on. He leaves his place, and in time finds a poorer one. Then he feels blue; drinks still more; his family suffers; he leaves his place again, and at last dies a wretch. But is social. We believe a man has a right to kill himself suddenly or by slow poison. It may be none of our business in the abstract, yet we are sorry to see men fooling themselves away—dying like weeds in a gutter when they might be men, upright, healthy, loved, and useful; of benefit to themselves and others. And this is why we write against intemperance. Health is too precious to be wasted. Manhood is too noble to be thrown into the gutter. Life is too sweet to be drugged with the poisons now compounded and sold as liquors. To drink poison may be social, but it costs too much for us or for any man of sense who loves himself or others. Who of our readers dare think of this matter and act as their better judgement shall dictate?—Louisville Democrat.

The "Prime of Life."

There is a certain vagueness about this expression, for we hear it applied equally to men of thirty-five or thereabouts, and to men who may be in their sixties, though they manage to look younger. Somebody has well said that "a man is no older than he feels, a woman than she looks." For persons of joyous temperament and good physique, then the prime of life may last to a late period. A writer in "Cassell's Magazine" speaks of Dr. O. W. Holmes, "at the age of fifty-nine," as being in the prime of life, and so he is, being mentally and physically as sound as ever. Dickens at fifty-seven, is in the prime of life, wielding the pen as vigorously as he did thirty years ago, and walking his twenty miles before dinner whenever the humor takes him. It might have been said of the late Lord Palmerston that he was in the prime of life when past seventy, so vigorous was he then in frame, in intellect so clear. And so of the late Lord Brougham, who could go through a vast amount of mental and bodily fatigue when close upon his eightieth year. What prime of Mr. Parton's "Coming Man" is the time has hardly yet arrived for discussing. If he really is to abjure the matrimonial cocktail, though end decline to muddle himself with bad tobacco, he may remain in his prime long enough to solve the problem of the philosopher's stone, or, perchance, to square the circle. Women are apt to think that a man must be past his prime when his hair turns gray. Yet we have known many a man venerable as to his locks and beard, who was very much in his prime, indeed, and quite able to wallop the rash babbler who should doubt it. The prime of life is earlier with some persons, later with others. We have known women who were past their prime at thirty, and others who, with grandchildren around them, were just in the noontide of their prime. Consultation has much to do with the question, and so have the habits and accident of life.

AN ACT

To regulate the sale, alienation, removal, or transfer of Animals in this State, and to require Butchers to report to the Police Court all animals slaughtered, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That hereafter, upon the sale, alienation or transfer of any horse, mare, mule, gelding, colt, jack, jennet, cow, calf, ox, or beef steer, by any person in this State, the actual delivery of such animals shall be accompanied by a written conveyance from the vendor, or party selling, to the purchaser, giving the number, marks or brands; and hereafter, upon the trial of the right of property in any of the animals mentioned, or upon the trial of any person charged with theft of such animals, in any court of this State, the possession of the animals in controversy, or charged to have been stolen by the party, without the written conveyance, as herein provided, shall be prima facie evidence against the party of the illegal possession of such animals: Provided, Persons may dispose of stock animals of the kind mentioned, as they run in the range, by the sale and delivery of the brands and marks; and in every such sale of animals as they run in the range, the purchaser, in order to acquire title thereto, shall have his conveyance, or bill of sale of such stock, recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, and such sale or transfer shall be noted on the record of original marks or brands, in the name of the vendee or purchaser.

In the first section of this act, for the purpose of driving to market out of the county where purchased, or out of the State, the party purchasing shall, before moving the animals out of the county where purchased, deposit with the Clerk of the County Court, for record, a bill of sale and correct list of the number, marks, brands and kind of animals, together with his post-office, or place of abode, signed and acknowledged by the vendor or vendors, which shall be recorded in the book kept by the Clerk for that purpose, and with his certificate of record, under seal attached, shall be returned to the purchaser, upon payment of the recording fees, and persons desiring to drive their own stock raised by themselves, shall, in like manner, procure a certified copy of his or their marks and brands, and any person or persons who may be found in any county in this State, driving any horse, mare, or animal, as above-mentioned, out of the county or State, to be sold in market, and shall not have in his or their possession the recorded list of his or their marks and brands, or bill of sale, for the animals in his or their possession, shall be liable to arrest by any authorized officer in the State, and shall be deemed guilty of a violation of the laws of this State, and upon trial and conviction, either upon information or indictment, shall be fined in the sum of not less than double the value of each animal so driven, to be paid into the county treasury of the county where the party may be convicted, and the officer, trying the same, shall receive the stock, or animals, so illegally held, to be returned to the owner, at the expense of the convicted party.

SEC. 3. That any person or persons, in any county, town, or village, in this State, engaged in the slaughter and sale of animals for market, such person or persons shall make a regular report to the Police Court of the county, under oath, giving the number, color, age, marks and brands of every animal slaughtered, and shall exhibit to the marshal of any town or city, or Clerk of the County Court, the hides of the beef, so slaughtered, and such officer shall take and file a list and description of such hides, which report shall be made to each regular meeting of the court, and be recorded by the clerk, for the inspection of any one interested. Each report made shall be accompanied by the bill of sale, or written conveyance, to the butcher, for every animal that he has purchased for slaughter; and if any of the animals slaughtered have been raised by himself, it shall be so stated in the report, and any butcher or person engaged in slaughtering, who shall kill any unmarked or unbranded animal for market, or shall purchase and kill any animal without the proper bill of sale, other than his own raising, or shall fail to make the report to the Police Court, as is herein provided, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined in the sum of not less than fifty dollars, nor more than three hundred dollars, for each offense, to be paid into the county treasury, as a duty fund.

SEC. 4. That it is hereby made the duty of the Police Court of each county to examine, at its regular meetings, all records and reports made under this act, and to inquire into and report to the Grand Jury or County Attorney any person guilty of violating the same, and if in vacation, to cause the offender to be arrested, and the facts inquired into, before some Justice of the Peace; and if guilty, to be required to execute bond, conditioned as other penal bonds, for his appearance at the next term of the District or County Court; and in default thereof, to be imprisoned as in other cases. The Judges of the District Court, in each county in this State shall be required to give this act speciality in charge to the Grand Jury of each county at its organization.

SEC. 5. That an act approved 4th day of March, 1863, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of beef cattle, and to require butchers to keep and return lists of cattle slaughtered, and to prevent the sale of unmarked or unbranded calves," be, and the same is hereby, repealed, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after the 1st day of January, 1867. Passed, November 13, 1866.

The Peabody Fund.

Perhaps Dr. Sears and the other custodians thought Texas already possessed a large unexpended fund devoted to educational purposes. At any rate, we must rely upon our own resources to build up our own educational interests.

We copy from the reports of the meeting of the Peabody Trustees: "Dr. Sears, custodian of the Peabody Southern Educational Fund, says in his report: 'Since making my last report I have been able to complete a general survey of the eleven States which fall within our province. Special attention during this interval has been given to West Virginia, Arkansas, and Western Tennessee. I had hoped, also, to complete some unfinished work in the eastern part of South Carolina, but several causes prevented.' He remarks that in some of the States the political excitement of the last six months has been unfavorable to that co-operation of all parties that is necessary for the establishment and support of public schools, and for this reason the completion of his plans had been postponed. Scarcely any State in the Union is making more vigorous exertions in behalf of general education in proportion to its ability than Virginia. The liberality of the people in taxing themselves for the erection of school houses and supporting schools is all that could be desired. Two years ago there were no school houses in the State except a few academy buildings. During the last year 3000 were erected. The State labors under great embarrassment in having few among the youth qualified to teach school, and few men who have the requisite knowledge and experience to organize and superintend schools. To remedy the former evil, one normal school has been opened and one is only awaiting funds sufficient to pay the salaries of teachers. The school laws of the State are conforming in a great measure to those of Pennsylvania and Ohio. Particular account was given of the condition of which the appropriation was made. In

10000 given from the Peabody fund about \$2000 were raised by the people, some of them conditions were also made, such as increasing the number of teachers and prolonging the school to a period of ten months instead of four, five or six months. Notwithstanding the anxiety which prevails in many parts of Arkansas, and with which the agents were made too familiar, it is a hopeful sign that deep interest is so generally felt on the subject of education. The people are not satisfied with their present condition, and they look upon education as the foremost among the means indispensable to its improvement. They may differ about systems of public instruction, but they agree in respect to the end in view.

After detailing the provisions of the school laws and the organization of the school system of the State, which, he says, is, perhaps, as good as could be expected under the circumstances in which it originated; Dr. Green says, in this State, as in others, it was deemed important to insist on liberal contributions from the people themselves as a condition of receiving aid from the Peabody fund. At Pine Bluff only fifty children out of two hundred were attending any school. One gentleman of the town is paying \$2000 per year for education of three children at the North. This would be half enough to provide instruction for all the children of the place. A proposition was made to give \$500 if the people would raise \$300 for this purpose. At Little Rock where there are 1500 white children and 700 colored there is but one public school and that has the attendance of only 120 scholars. Arrangements were made for large primary schools in each ward of the city and for high schools to accommodate 500 advanced pupils, the Peabody fund contributing to that end \$2000. Similar propositions were made for the following towns: Fort Smith, Van Buren, Jacksonville, Camden, Washington, Fayetteville and four or five other towns, which, for the most part, have been accepted.

Tennessee has a common school law, not perfect, indeed, not even as good perhaps as that of West Virginia or Arkansas; still common schools can be carried on under it without much inconvenience until it can be safely amended. The sub-district system must be regarded as the worst feature of the law, introducing nothing but confusion and disorder. Any neglect or unskillfulness on the part of the directors of the sub-districts, is liable to defeat the plans of the higher Board who have charge of the most advanced schools. The money appropriated by the State for schools consists of the proceeds of the school fund, a tax of 2 mills on the dollar, a poll tax of 25 cents, and railroad tax of one-quarter of one percent a mile for each passenger. Unfortunately for schools, the school fund has been pledged as security for State debts, and until very recently no distribution has been made to schools, and there only to small amounts. The common school law, although of two years' standing, is just beginning to take effect. One year ago there were few or no schools organized under it, but now there are several counties organized on the average of about fifty schools.

In Knox county, within a year, there were only 1000 pupils in 25 private schools of that county. In East Tennessee, public schools were first introduced in Knoxville in consequence of the encouragement and aid of the Peabody fund. The city now has in successful operation a complete system of graded schools, for the support of which \$200,000 are paid from its treasury and \$200,000 from the State. The attendance of these schools is now nearly equal to that of the whole county last year. The schools of Chattanooga, called into existence by an act of \$1000 by the general agent, are also highly prosperous, and have a firm hold upon the public mind. Memphis has been aided in a similar manner, and is now erecting a fine large building to bear the name of Peabody. Four of the eight districts of Tennessee have received various amounts from \$400 to \$500. Similar arrangements have been effected in other States. Perhaps no city has made a nobler advance than Petersburg, Va. In Louisiana, through the generous offer of Hon. R. M. Johnson in connection with the general agent, similar schools have been established in ten towns of that State.

Baltimore, Jan. 22.—At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Peabody Southern Educational Fund, to-day, Samuel Watson of Tennessee, was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of W. C. Rivers, of Va. On motion of Mr. Everts, it was voted that the next annual meeting should take place in January 1870, and that thereafter that shall be the time of the annual meeting until otherwise ordered. On motion of Gen. Grant, seconded by Gov. Graham, it was resolved that, in token of our grateful remembrance of the founder of this trust, a copy of the proceedings of this meeting, signed by the chairman and secretary, be transmitted to him with the report of the Board. A resolution, was adopted recognizing the wisdom, fidelity and diligence which have marked the course of the general agent in the appropriation of the means committed to his discretion and use. The Board then adjourned.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, February 1, 1869. By mutual consent, the Publishing House heretofore existing in this city, under the style and firm of A. SIEMERING & CO., consisting of A. SIEMERING and W. B. MOORE, is hereby dissolved.

DIED.

The boy shot in the shooting affair between the editors of the Houston Times and Union, has since died.

SHOULD HE NOT ASK FOR A COURT OF INQUIRY?

Should not poor Caldwell ask General Canby to grant a Court of Inquiry, or a Military Commission in the nature of a Court of Inquiry, to sit upon his adventure at Houston? How can an official with a character as badly damaged as his is, on all sides conceded to be, get along without one?

INTERESTING.

It will be highly interesting to the readers of the organ of the Mercuries, The Austin Republic, to note the change in its editorialials occasioned by the absence of Col. J. L. Hayes and Judge J. H. Bell on the office, begging and begging business of the Ring at Washington. Poor Longley will have a better chance to display his profound reading and to ventilate his coarseness than he is ever likely to have again.

GAVE THEM A NEW STRONG PUFF.

Poor Longley or some one of the Mercuries who is more capable ought to give the members of the Austin Ring who have gone on as volunteer representatives of Texas to Washington a few strong puffs. He should do this not only because they need them, but because by putting them in print, now he may cause credulous persons to believe that they were neither written nor prompted by themselves.

Some of the Causes of the Failure.

It is but proper that we should now, after its double adjournment, and the settlement of all excitements, give a deliberate review of some of the causes of the failure of our Constitutional Convention to accomplish the results for which it was assembled.

The Convention was not, to a very considerable extent, made up of delegates competent to be such under the Reconstruction Acts, and under the order of General Griffin in regard to the election. This fact is well known. Persons who could not register, and members of Registration Boards (who are of the disqualified class) were elected and served as delegates. That the Convention itself was bound under the Reconstruction Acts to have excluded such, no one can question.

It never was a legally constituted body. It acted as a Constitutional Convention, not under, but in spite of the law of Congress. Such being the case, it could not be expected to do its duty. But this is not all. The politicians of the Old School in the body—ever ready to compromise principle for supposed policy—who caused the qualification prescribed by law to be set at naught, were already Johnsonized. They had in view to carry out in Texas the same programme which Andrew Johnson sought to execute throughout the Nation. They wanted office. In common with the class to which they belong, (we mean the class of trading politicians and politicians by trade), they were intensely selfish.

This class of politicians have a keen perception of the value of money—they have an eye for jobbing. Before the Convention met they had sold out to the Central Railroad Company. It had been arranged that the Central should have its forfeited charter renewed and extended, and that it should be enabled to buy in all the other Railroads—all being alike forfeited. This scheme agreed on and paid for, in advance, was faithfully carried into execution. How much more than five millions and twenty-five thousand dollars in coin it cost the Central, we have not been able to ascertain. It is not to be expected that the Houston Telegraph, owned by the owner of the Central, will enlighten its subscribers by giving the figures, though it might do so if it would.

The action of the old politicians in drawing the Convention (illegally constituted as it was through their procurement) into the morass of special legislation, was the second of the causes of the failure of that body. Men who were sent to Austin to make a Constitution, for months did nothing but manufacture Railroad charters, and but once at that—for a consideration.

The jobbing of the Convention culminated in the passage of the Immigration Company's charter—than which even the politicians could scarce venture to go farther. When the jobbing that had been bargained for was got through, the politicians went to work to hurriedly make a Constitution—and they did make one, such as it is. The Western men had already shown out of session, made two Constitutions—one for Texas and the other for West Texas—each of which was better than the Constitution adopted. Both of the Constitutions agreed upon out of business hours contained

Our Lavaca Correspondent.

The Ship Channel nearly Completed—How the work is progressing.

DEAR SIR—Perhaps you, as well as we, for the prosperity and improvement of Western Texas, would like to know something of what is being done in the Upper Bay, between Lavaca and Indianola, in the way of opening a channel for the free and safe passage to our place for the largest steamships and ships that trade between New York, New Orleans, and this Bay.

Well, then, the dredge boat is at work, and last week there was dug up and deposited 2600 tons of mud and shell some three hundred yards from the channel. There are two mud-scoops under the control of Capt. Billings, a very enterprising gentleman, whose business it is to convey away the mud and shell and clay that compose the bars, as fast as it is dug up. There is no possible chance for this stuff to ever get back into the channel.

In one month the largest bar, 1300 feet in length, will be opened 140 feet wide and 19 feet deep. The other bar is only one-half the length. After that there is some digging to be done at the end of the wharf, then between the wharf and first bar a little work is to be done, and the navigation is open to Lavaca for Morgan's steamships. Will they come? Common sense says they will—Morgan says they will. I must not omit to mention that the dredge boat is under the control of Capt. Loyd, a very enterprising man, who drives the concern from the rising of the sun until the going down of the same—rain or shine.

Yours truly, S. USCHLER, Lavaca, Feb. 19, 1869.

Geological Bureau, U. S. Land Office, Washington, D. C., Jan. 3, 1869.

Editor San Antonio Express: SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR CO., TEX.

DEAR SIR—This office is in receipt of specimens of Yucca Augustifolia, var. spinosa, a well known fibre producing plant found growing in vast abundance in Texas, Colorado and New Mexico, and some of our southwestern States. The attempt has frequently been made to utilize this plant, and there are on record in the U. S. Patent Office several patents for converting it into paper stock. A successful attempt has also been made to manufacture rope with its fibre, and we are convinced that everything has been done to develop its economical value. There is probably some reason or other matter in the plant which interferes with its use.

That the influence of the Provisional Governor and of the three Provisional Supreme Judges, who were Delegates, was most baneful, the Journal of the Convention, if it should ever be printed, will abundantly demonstrate.

That other causes co-operated with those above suggested, to make the work of our politician-ridden Convention a failure, we are aware, but we omit nothing in this article for want of space.

If Texas is re-organized under the proposed Constitution, made as it was, and weighed down as it is, with dishonest, special legislation, it will be a fraud. If the fraud is consummated, it will not be because this paper has failed to give to Congress and to the registered voters of Texas, solemn and repeated warnings. We shall support those who oppose the fraud for the same reason that caused us to oppose Andrew Johnson and to advocate the election of General Grant. We believe in honest measures—we put our trust in honest men.

VERY SHABBY.—It was very shabby on the part of Longley to omit to announce the marriage of Austin of Miss Hamilton and Mr. Mills because he was not presented with a cake and a bottle of wine.

SIGNIFICANT FACTS.—The success of a vigorous local policy in the treatment of the lawless vagabonds of Arkansas is manifested in the annexed statement given to the Memphis Post by a confidential staff officer of Governor Clayton. Col. Burton says:

During the three months preceding the calling out of the military in that State there were received at the Governor's headquarters authentic accounts of over two hundred different murders perpetrated with impunity in that State, and an innumerable array of the most fiendish outrages; but during the two days which have transpired since martial law was declared, but one single murder and not a single outrage has been heard of in the State. The success of Gov. Clayton's policy of declaring martial law in order to reach and punish outlaws, has clearly vindicated the wisdom of its inauguration.

Another fact which should teach a lesson to our rebel friends, is this: The militia policy of Governor Clayton has been fully known to and met with the approval of Gen. U. S. Grant.

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Geological Bureau, U. S. Land Office, Washington, D. C., Jan. 3, 1869.

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DEAR SIR—This office is in receipt of specimens of Yucca Augustifolia, var. spinosa, a well known fibre producing plant found growing in vast abundance in Texas, Colorado and New Mexico, and some of our southwestern States. The attempt has frequently been made to utilize this plant, and there are on record in the U. S. Patent Office several patents for converting it into paper stock. A successful attempt has also been made to manufacture rope with its fibre, and we are convinced that everything has been done to develop its economical value. There is probably some reason or other matter in the plant which interferes with its use.

That the influence of the Provisional Governor and of the three Provisional Supreme Judges, who were Delegates, was most baneful, the Journal of the Convention, if it should ever be printed, will abundantly demonstrate.

That other causes co-operated with those above suggested, to make the work of our politician-ridden Convention a failure, we are aware, but we omit nothing in this article for want of space.

If Texas is re-organized under the proposed Constitution, made as it was, and weighed down as it is, with dishonest, special legislation, it will be a fraud. If the fraud is consummated, it will not be because this paper has failed to give to Congress and to the registered voters of Texas, solemn and repeated warnings. We shall support those who oppose the fraud for the same reason that caused us to oppose Andrew Johnson and to advocate the election of General Grant. We believe in honest measures—we put our trust in honest men.

VERY SHABBY.—It was very shabby on the part of Longley to omit to announce the marriage of Austin of Miss Hamilton and Mr. Mills because he was not presented with a cake and a bottle of wine.

SIGNIFICANT FACTS.—The success of a vigorous local policy in the treatment of the lawless vagabonds of Arkansas is manifested in the annexed statement given to the Memphis Post by a confidential staff officer of Governor Clayton. Col. Burton says:

During the three months preceding the calling out of the military in that State there were received at the Governor's headquarters authentic accounts of over two hundred different murders perpetrated with impunity in that State, and an innumerable array of the most fiendish outrages; but during the two days which have transpired since martial law was declared, but one single murder and not a single outrage has been heard of in the State. The success of Gov. Clayton's policy of declaring martial law in order to reach and punish outlaws, has clearly vindicated the wisdom of its inauguration.

Another fact which should teach a lesson to our rebel friends, is this: The militia policy of Governor Clayton has been fully known to and met with the approval of Gen. U. S. Grant.

General Rawlings recently dined with a man who partook of wine rather freely, and became talkative. Finally the latter said speaking of somebody, "Oh, that mine enemy would write a book!" "Your enemy," said Rawlings, pointing to the bottle, "don't write books."

Advertisements.

The County Clerk requests us to publish the following order, and says he will take pleasure in showing parties interested, the law referred to, when called upon in his office. HEADQUARTERS POST OF SAN ANTONIO, San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 16, 1869. General Order No. 4.

The laws of the State in relation to the purchase of cattle by butchers, will be extended to the purchase of hides in the counties of Gillespie, Kerr, Blanco, Bandera, Comal, Bexar, Kendall, Medina, Frio, and Atascosa. In counties where there is no efficient organization, Military Tribunals will be organized for the trial of cattle thieves and dealers in stolen cattle or hides. JOHN S. MASON, Major 56th Inf. Bvt. Brig. Gen. U. S. A. (Feb 19 69)

Farm and Mill FOR SALE.

A farm of 120 acres, 12 acres in cultivation, situated in DeWitt county, with good dwelling house, three small houses, good well and two small houses for renters; further, a MILL, consisting of the mill-house, Engine of 14 horse power, good boiler, Iron Steam Cotton Press, new Colman's mill 24 inches, Cotton Gin with 50 saws, T. S. Cheely, Augusta, Ga.; two small houses, three bands, one saw; Saw Mill 50 acres of timbered land and a good well by the mill. The whole estate is worth at least \$7000, and is for sale at \$5.00. Apply to (Feb 20 69) A. SIEMERING.

Land Certificates.

For sale by JOHN C. FRENCH, President, (Feb 18 69) S. A. & M. O. R. & Co.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The business carried on under the firm of Schler & Co. is today dissolved by mutual consent, Emil Elmendorf withdrawing, Charles Elmendorf will collect for Emil Elmendorf, all dues to said firm. E. SCHLEIER, E. ELMENDORF, San Antonio, February 15, 1869. (Feb 19 69)

Great Bargains!!!

Hartmann, Eagar & Co., COMMISSION MERCHANTS. Are closing out the entire stock of Lovvinstein & Co., consisting of Fancy and Staple Dry-Goods, Hosiery, Combs, Brushes, &c. They have also on hand, a fine assortment of Crochets, Ribbons and Hungary Wipes, Liquors, Family and Toilet Soap, &c., &c. All of which they offer at prices to suit every purchaser. (Feb 15 69)

WATERS' New Scale PIANOS.

With Iron Frame, Overstrung Bass, and Agraffe Bridge. Melodeons and Cabinet Organs, The Best Manufactured; Warranted for Six Years. Fifty New and Second-hand Pianos, Melodeons and Organs of six first-class makers, at low prices for cash, or one third cash and the balance in Monthly Installments. Second-hand Instruments at great Bargains. Illustrated Catalogue mailed. Warehouses, 481 Broadway, New York. HORACE WATERS.

Testimonials.

The Waters' Pianos are known as among the very best.—N. Y. Evangelist. "We can speak of the merits of the Waters' Pianos from personal knowledge as being of the very best quality.—Christian Intelligencer. The Waters' Pianos are built of the best and most thoroughly seasoned material.—Advocate and Journal. One friend will find at Mr. Waters' store the very best assortment of Pianos, Melodeons and Organs to be found in the United States.—Graham's Magazine. MUSICAL DIGNITY.—Since Mr. Waters gave up publishing sheet music, he has devoted his whole capital and attention to the manufacture and sale of Pianos and Melodeons. He has just issued a catalogue of his new instruments, giving a new scale of prices, which shows a marked reduction from former rates, and his Pianos have recently been awarded the First Premium at several Fairs. Many people of the present day, who are not musical, if not satisfied, with the cheap advertisements of rival piano makers, probably overlook the modest manufacturer like Mr. Waters; but we happen to know that his instruments earned him a good reputation long before Expositions and "honors" connected therewith, were even thought of; indeed, we have one of Mr. Waters' Pianos for sale in our residence (where it has stood for years), of which any manufacturer in the world might well be proud. We have always been delighted with it as a sweet toned and powerful instrument, and there is no doubt of its durability; more than this, some of the best amateur players in the city, as well as several celebrated pianists, have performed on the same piano, and all pronounce it a superior and first class instrument. Stronger endorsement we could not give.—Home Journal. (Feb 19 69)

WANTED?

A situation as Clerk or Bar-keeper, best references can be given. Enquire at Menger Hotel. M. J. DOYLE, Feb 18 69.

Hall at Menger Hotel, on Monday 22nd.

Washington's Birth Day. For the sale of the Sec. Antonio Cornet Band. (Feb 18 69)

CHOCOLERY & GLASSWARE!!

Large and well assorted Invoices. Just received by H. GREENE, (Feb 17 69)

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including 'Sunday!', 'Doors open', 'No Dis', 'Another', 'John E. Sel', 'columns', 'which we d', 'our purcha', 'Comme', 'Marshall of', 'and the rep', 'Address, M', 'cheerfully e', 'Yucca as', 'We call th', 'readers to', 'United Stat', 'which will', 'any of our', 'named plan', 'vicinity, w', 'forming us', 'Restorat', 'Church the', 'communi', 'be adminis', 'SERVICES', 'H. A. M., and', 'Mr. J. Harri', 'Worship', '11 o'clock', 'Walter Rich', 'SERVICES', 'ing at the u', 'noon.', 'THE TWENTY', 'please bear', '137th anniv', 'ington, and', 'in a fitting', 'great and g', 'common con', 'sions will', 'for', 'take place', 'Let us for', 'that have p', 'war and the', 'round our a', 'become frien', 'we do it?', 'At night a', 'Menger's H', 'Corner Band.', 'MAIN TOP', 'a main-top', 'hours of s', 'and', 'known as', 'prostitutes', 'Mrs. Mary', 'minds of the', 'Texas race', 'connected', 'the frequen', 'ster night at', 'nio. These', 'proaching da', 'other quar', 'the other six', 'police are al', 'comes under', 'deal with ac', 'Thyngs', 'nuisance to', 'long time', 'broken up', 'ishment and', 'lice every nig', 'generally.', 'We hope to', 'ating the los', 'MAYOR', 'Antonio G', 'of being dr', 'public meet', 'Martin Coy', 'renting hon', 'prostitution', 'Mr. Coy was', 'costs, and to', 'Jacob Deed', 'streets, find', 'Wise of', 'containing', 'all, not one', 'Sixteen we', 'from Pagan', 'New Eng', 'born in Ear', 'to Wisconsin', 'Georgia, O', 'The Home', 'one hundred', 'thirty-two', 'a twenty of', 'Ohio, and', 'Maryland', 'gave birth', 'sin two.', 'There are', 'Broadway', 'sent time', 'fore. The'

Local Intelligence.

THEATRE AT THE CASINO HALL.

Sunday Night, Feb. 21st, 1869.

Doors open at 7 o'clock, performance to commence at 8 o'clock.

No DISPATCHES.—We are without our usual dispatches to day, on account of a terrible storm of thunder, lightning and rain, between Houston and New Orleans, which effected the telegraph line.

ANOTHER NEW YORK ADVERTISER.—Mr. John E. Schreck announces his card in our columns as a Commission Merchant, to which we direct the special attention of our purchasers.

COMMERCIAL.—In our notice of the celebration, we omitted the third Assistant Marshal of the day, Mr. Chas. Kurwald, and the repeler of Washington's Farewell Address, Mr. Eugenio Navarro, which we cheerfully correct.

YUCA ANGIUSTIFOLIA, VAR. SPINOSA.—We call the particular attention of our readers to a communication from the United States Geologist at Washington, which will be found in another column. If any of our citizens have seen the above named plant, or know of its growth in this vicinity, will confer a great favor by informing us of the same.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.—At the Presbyterian Church this morning, at 11 o'clock, the communion of the Lord's Supper will be administered.

SERVICES at the Methodist Church at 11 A. M., and in the evening at 7 P. M., Rev. Mr. J. Harris, officiating.

Worship at St. Mary's in the morning at 11 o'clock. Services conducted by the Rev. Walter Richardson.

SERVICES at the Cathedral this morning at the usual hour, vespers in the afternoon.

THE TWENTY-SECOND.—Our citizens will please bear in mind that to-morrow is the 137th anniversary of General George Washington, and that the day will be celebrated in a fitting tribute to the memory of that great and good man, the Father of our common country. We hope that our citizens will forget their business for a little while and join in the ceremonies that will take place, as noticed in the city papers.

Let us forget the strife and contentions that have parted friends, occasioned by war and the political differences that surround our every-day life—join hands and become friends once again. Why cannot we do it?

At night a grand ball is to be given at Messer's Hotel, for the benefit of the Cornet Band.

MAIN-TOP-SAIL HULL.—The police made a main-top-sail haul yesterday between the hours of 8 and 9 in the morning, at the corner known as Mary Ann Coy's, among the prostitutes that live in this woman's houses. Mary rents her houses to the demimonde of the extraction of Mexico and Texas race and color, where scenes are enacted that would shame a beast, but not the frequentists that do congregate night after night at this five-points in San Antonio. These outrages became aware of approaching danger and began to scatter for other quarters. Three were captured, and the other six are loose somewhere, but the police are after them.—This fraternity comes under the vagrant act, and will be dealt with accordingly.

THE POLICE.—A diagram and a nuisance to the city of San Antonio for a long time, and we hope it is this entirely broken up. The denizens of Mary's establishment made a practice of calling the police every night, and cutting up dirt Nick generally.

We hope to see this squad at work, benefiting the looks of our streets, &c.

POLICE ITEMS.

MAYOR'S ORDER, Thursday, Feb. 19th.

Antonio Gonzalez, arrested upon a charge of being drunk and disorderly upon the public streets, fined \$5 and costs.

Martin Coy, arrested upon a charge of renting houses for the purpose of public prostitution, within the limits of the city. Mr. Coy was ordered to pay the city \$25 and costs, and to remove the parties forthwith.

Jacob Deideker, found drunk on the streets, fined \$5 and costs.

Wisconsin has a Legislature of carpet-baggers. Of the Senate, containing thirty-three members in all, not one was born in the State. Sixteen went from New York, three from Pennsylvania, seven from the New England States, three were born in Europe, and the rest went to Wisconsin from New Jersey, Georgia, Ohio and Washington. The House of Representatives had one hundred members. Of these thirty-two are natives of New York, twenty of New England, twenty-six of Europe, three of Canada, eight of Ohio, and six of Pennsylvania; Maryland, Kentucky and Indiana gave birth to one each, and Wisconsin two.

There are more empty stores in Broadway, New York, at the present time than for many years before. The rents are too high.

Professor Delisser predicts that about the last of February there will be heavy gales, high tides and earthquakes, and that the whole of 1869 will be fruitful of such things.

MARKET MANIFEST.

Seed Potatoes, Sourkront, Herrings and Salt Pickles, for sale by WAGNER & KUMMEL.

30,000 lbs. Choice Mexican Beans. For sale by C. H. MERRITT & BRO.

90 Bbls. Raw Herring (Portland). Just received by H. GRENET.

25 Bbls. Red Onions. For sale low by H. GRENET.

50 Casks New Columbus. For sale by H. GRENET.

Crylic Compounds—Prize of the West Whiskey. For sale by SAMPSON & TORREY.

For Seed—Castor Oil Bean—Seed beans, for sale by STEELE & WILLIAMS.

Cutlery! Cutlery! Table knives and forks, Butler's Pen and Pocket knives. A large and splendid assortment just received by E. PENTENRIEDER.

FOR RENT. The residence of Gust. Hirsch. Apply to E. PENTENRIEDER.

Take Notice. A good pianist wishes to give lessons on the Piano. Call on Mr. C. G. Arst.

Review of the Markets.

Wholesale Prices Current—Quotations in Specie.

DAILY EXPRESS OFFICE, Feb. 12, 1869. Corrections made in our Price Current weekly. Our quotations of to-day are nominal with a few exceptions:

Dry-Goods.

Prints, Spangus, fancy \$ cts. 11

do purple & pinks 11

Amoskeag, fancy 11

Wamsutta do 11

Brown Domestic.

Indian Head, 4-4 14 1/2

Harrisburg, 4-4 13 1/2

Troyport, 4-4 11

Sumok 9

Bedford R 9 1/2

Brown Drills.

Stark A 10 1/2

Superior 14

Bleached Domestic.

Lonsdale 4-4 16

Masonville 4-4 16

Hope 4-4 14 1/2

Red Bank 4-4 12

Green H 11

Canoe 11

Ticks.

Amoskeag A.C.A. 30

Amoskeag A 27

Algodon 19

Hickory Stripes.

York 19

Heymaker 15

Pittsfield 9

Jeans and Kerseys.

Alpine 34

Longworthy 30

Hillside 15

Beverly Twills 24

Sewing Cotton.

Count 1/2 doz 30

Green and Daniels 30

Blackstone 25

Linsey.

White Rock 22

Stillman, solid 23

Oakland 14

Boots and Shoes.

Brogans, split 12 1/2

Men's Brogans 13

do Brogans wax 15

Brogans, Boys 11

Men's Calf Boots 30

do Grain do 30

do Kip do 30

do Half do 30

GROCERIES.

Crackers.

Butter and Soda 10 1/2

Sugar 13 1/2

Beans, Mexican, 2 1/2

Cauldies 15 oz. 2 00

do 1 1/2 lb. 2 00

do 12 oz. 2 00

do 10 oz. 2 00

Coffee.

Rio, ordinary fair 21 1/2

Prime to Choice 23 1/2

Java 25 1/2

Candy.

Stick 21 1/2

Rock 24 1/2

Fancy 30

Chocolate.

Sweet 35 1/2

Vanilla 60 1/2

Fish.

do 1/2 doz 2 00

do 1 doz 4 00

do 2 doz 8 00

Flour.

Choice 1/2 bbl 15 00

XXX 12 00

XX 10 00

Fruits.

Raisins, 1/2 box 4 50

do 1 box 8 50

do 2 box 15 50

Lemons, 1/2 doz 8 00

Prunes 15 00

Figs, 1/2 doz 15 00

Dried Apples 10 1/2

Currants 15 1/2

Citron 30 1/2

Almonds 33 1/2

Pecans, 1/2 bushel 3 00

Porter and Ale.

London Porter, 1/2 pints 2 90

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Miscellaneous.

Milk, condensed, Eagle 3 50

Molasses 30 1 00

Syrup 1 10 1 15

Matches, 1/2 doz 2 50

Brooms 2 25 5 50

Buckets 1/2 doz 3 00

do 1 doz 5 00

Old Coal 1/2 ton 3 75

do 1 ton 6 50 6 75

Head, choice, 1/2 doz 1 50

Butter, Goshen, 1/2 bbl 43 1/2

Cheese, Western 1 1/2 1 1/2

do choice Goshen 2 00

Potatoes, Northern, 1/2 bbl 9 00

Onions, 1/2 bbl 9 00

Krout, 1/2 bbl 17 00

Rice, 1/2 bbl 10 1/2

Salt, fine and coarse 5 00

Sugar, La. 1/2 bbl 12 1/2

do Crushed 1/2 bbl 12 1/2

do Powder 1/2 bbl 12 1/2

Whiskey, rectified 1/2 gal 1 50

Bitters, Huxtable's, 1/2 doz 10 00

do Boker's, 1/2 doz 14 00

Brandy, Cherries, 1/2 doz 5 00

do Peaches, 1/2 doz 5 75

Soap, Northern, 1/2 bbl 7 1/2

Sardines, 1/2 box 1 1/2

Starch, 1/2 bbl 9 1/2

Spices.

Pepper 31 1/2 33

Cloves 40 1/2

Nutmeg 1 25 1 50

Tobacco.

Virginia, 1/2 bbl 50 1 00

Navy, 1/2 bbl 50 1 00

Smoking, 1/2 bbl 30 1 00

Summy Side, gross 2 00 8 00

Imperial, 1/2 bbl 1 00 1 25

Young Hyson, 1/2 bbl 1 00 1 25

Oolong, 1/2 bbl 90 1 25

Port, 1/2 gallon 2 50 5 00

Madison, 1/2 gallon 2 25 5 00

Sherry, 1/2 do 2 25 5 00

Claret, 1/2 doz 3 25 10 50

Vinegar, Elder, pr. gal 40 1 50

Hardware.

Axes, 1/2 doz 13 00 15 00

Hoes, 1/2 doz 6 50 10 00

Iron, 1/2 bbl 10 00

Sweat, assorted, 1/2 bbl 9 00 10 00

Sheet Iron, 1/2 bbl 10 00

Castings, 1/2 bbl 8 00

Plow Iron, 1/2 bbl 10 00

do Steel, 1/2 bbl 12 00

Bar Lead, 1/2 bbl 14 00

Nails and Spikes, 1/2 Reg. 6 25

Coffee Mills, 1/2 doz 4 00 5 00

Ox Chains, 1/2 bbl 12 00

Grind stones, 1/2 bbl 5 00

Iron Axes, 1/2 bbl 10 1/2

Buggy Springs, 1/2 bbl 21 1/2

Vices, 1/2 bbl 22 1/2

Hides.

Dry Beef 12 00 13 1/2

Kips, dry 13 1/2 15

Hoss, dry 7 00

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National Colored Men's Convention

Address to the Colored Citizens of the United States. Fellow Citizens: We, your representatives assembled in national convention, having attended to the business which you, if fraternal trust, confided to us, respectfully beg leave at the conclusion of our labors, to address you briefly, yet earnestly in reference to the condition which we now occupy here in the land of our nativity, and to the duties and responsibilities which are in consequence devolved upon us, in order that we may attain to that equal status in the eyes of the law with our other fellow citizens which we so justly aspire to, and which we of right ought to enjoy.

At the outset of our address we would devoutly call upon you to join with us in thanks to Him in whose hands are the destinies of all his creatures, that through the orderings of His providence, we speak to you under far different circumstances from those in which you have been addressed by your assembled representatives at other periods of our history. Once you were called upon to labor for the overthrow of a gigantic system of oppression, which held in its crushing grasp more than three millions of our kindred, and for the recognition of our own claims to citizenship in these United States of America. Now we are, with humble and grateful thanks to you, that throughout the broad domain of our beloved country, from the St. John's river upon the north to the Rio Grande, and from the Atlantic border to the Pacific coast, the grand nation of liberty is intoned with a harmonious unbroken strain of even one unhappy slave. We can do so, too, with a consciousness that we are not looked upon as an alien race, in the light of equal rights, through their representatives in Congress, and elected that fall persons born in the United States, and not subject to any foreign power, including Indians not taxed, are hereby declared to be citizens of the United States. Thus, fellow citizens, we have reason to rejoice in the fact that the past has had its triumph for us; but our condition in the present, together with the duties and responsibilities which it imposes upon us, demands our attention, and of that condition, of those duties and responsibilities, we would now speak.

As to our condition, we need not dwell long upon that, for you understand fully the position which we occupy in our own country. You know that our citizenship, recognized as it has been by statutory provision, has not secured for us throughout the different States of this Union those franchises and immunities which are the pride and boast of our white fellow-citizens. Each one of you, in his own individual locality, is painfully alive to the grievance (as various in itself, characteristic and localities themselves) which he is called upon to endure. But let us not be disheartened, in view of those grievances. Let us remember that

The camel labor, under the sun, and the wolf in the fold, are not bestowed to you for such purposes. Things of ignoble, or of savage mood, endure and abide not, of your abject clay. Should tempt it to bear. It is to die a day.

Let us gird ourselves up manfully, and contend for the removal of those grievances, in the firm and confident trust that the same God who has conferred knowledge upon us in the past will be equally propitious to us in the future; and that, as he raised up for us then hosts of sympathetic friends, to follow the leadership of a Garrison, a Gerritt Smith and an Abraham Lincoln, so he still accords to us such friends, so largely increased in number, and bearing so many illustrious names that to single out any two or three from that sparkling galaxy would seem invidious. Suffice it that the mere mention of those honored names, should fill us up to the very core, and that they shall be cherished undyingly in our hearts, to be invoked for the grateful remembrance of our noble posterity. God grant that each one of the possessors of those names may long be spared to us, and that the day may be far, far distant, when we shall be called upon to lay him away, with tender hands, and with tearful eyes, by the side of his restful and peaceful grave, the ever blessed Thaddeus Stevens!

But, fellow citizens, let us not forget, in our grateful recognition of those efficient services for our benefit and behalf, that the all-loving Father allows them to us only upon the condition that we labor earnestly and unceasingly in our own behalf. He may, in deed, send His Messiah, as "the way, the truth, and the life," but every day He requires us "to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling." Still, His promise, that "whosoever shall give up his life for My sake, will save it," is a promise which awaits us, if we only toil faithfully unto the end. Then let us not be found wanting in this crisis of our fate; but let us firmly and unflinchingly address ourselves to the duties of the hour.

In our present condition we are an unjustly degraded people; for we are stripped, more or less, in every State, of the rights, privileges and franchises which are fully enjoyed by every class of our white fellow-citizens. This condition, which is the result of our own sin, is a condition which is a disgrace to our race, and a disgrace to our country. We are not only deprived of our citizenship, but we are also deprived of our property, and we are also deprived of our honor. We are also deprived of our respect, and we are also deprived of our dignity. We are also deprived of our freedom, and we are also deprived of our justice. We are also deprived of our peace, and we are also deprived of our safety. We are also deprived of our health, and we are also deprived of our life. We are also deprived of our soul, and we are also deprived of our heaven.

"Heretics a freeman's will, As lightning with the will of God." Now, to deny such a right to one class of citizens while it is accorded to another, without a good reason for such a discrimination, is manifestly unjust and anti-republican. Let us, then, in the premises, appeal to Congress, reminding it that the Federal Constitution, in article four, section four, provides that "the United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a republican form of government." Let us urge upon the body and upon the great mass of the American people, which it represents that, in setting the dedication of this epithet, "republican," we are not equipped, either by ancient or modern assumption, of it for the purpose of describing manifest tyrannies, from interpreting it in the light derived from the Declaration of Independence—that Magna Charter of our liberties—that setting aside Greco-Roman precedents, as well as those

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P. C. TAYLOR, MANUFACTURER OF LIME AND SOAP, and dealer in GENERAL MERCHANDISE, Posts old stand, next door to Kleopfer Hotel, San Antonio.

FRUIT! FRUIT!! New Orleans Apples and Peaches, Raisins, Currants, Citrus and Prunes, Oranges and Lemons. Just received and for sale by H. GRENET.

STEELE & WILLIAMS, (Late John Withers & Co.) Commission Merchants, Commerce Street, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

For Rent. The two story Stone Building formerly occupied by Messrs. F. Groos & Co., opposite Messrs. Kohl & Griesenbeck; also, One Store on the Alamo Plaza, joining Messrs. Vance's store, formerly occupied by Mr. C. Huberick. For particulars enquire at J. H. Eammonson.

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