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Assessments This Evening.

OPERA HOUSE—"Le Bijou Noir."
ST. CHARLES THEATRE—"Little Detective."
ACADEMY OF MUSIC—"Carlotta's Love."
CRESCENT CITY MUSEUM—Nos. 87 and 89 Chartres street.

THE NEW POLICE BILL.

The bill introduced in the Senate by Mr. Pierce, of this parish, amending the Metropolitan Police law, does not meet the objections which have been urged against the present system. It does not propose to restore to the municipal authorities of New Orleans the control of organization and control of the police force. It does not propose to take from the Governor of the State the power which the present law gives him and which he has exercised solely in his personal interests and those of the Republican party. Such a control over the police force of New Orleans, or of any city in the State, is no part and never has been any part of the duty of the Governor of Louisiana, and the author who he should not have it is obvious to the most unreflecting. It is purely a local matter and peculiarly falls within the range of the duties performed by local authorities. In fact the government of a city consists of its police. Beyond that there is little else to do on the part of the Mayor and Council, which could not as well be performed by more employes of a police establishment of a city in the executive arm of its Mayor and Council, without which they have no entirely powerless to enforce their own ordinances, except the aid and sympathy of those who have the control of such police. This has been manifest since the Metropolitan Police Board have had the management of the force. In fact, we have had two city governments since that system was adopted, one of them being merely a government in name. We approve the bill, which Senator Pice has introduced, but have inspired by Gov. Warmoth, that we can detect his cloven foot in the amendments which propose changes, for instance, the present Chairman of the Police Board, who is known to be obnoxious to the Governor, is no longer to be a member of the Board, if the amendment be adopted. There is no particular objection to relieving the Lieutenant Governor from police duty, for that is more one of the functions of that officer than it is of the Chief Executive of the State. We do merely mention the fact to show that the new bill springs more from the spitefulness of Gov. Warmoth than from the conviction that the system has not worked well or from a desire to promote the interests of the inhabitants of this city. The board proposed by the Governor provides for a Commission of three members, two of whom he is to appoint, and they are to hold office only during the pleasure of the Governor. They will thus be merely the representatives and agents of the Governor, and will have no will of their own nor be responsible to those who pay for this police service. The Administrator of Police is to be appointed by the Board, a member of the new commission, will not be answerable to the City Council for any of its acts, and we do not see the propriety of his being a member of the latter body at all under the system which Governor Warmoth proposes to continue. He will have but one Commissioner of Police Board and his colleagues of the Council will have no influence whatever in the deliberations.

The new bill also comes short of the public demand in failing to provide sufficiently the expenditure for police service. It contemplates an expenditure of five hundred and fifty thousand dollars when a considerably less sum would pay for all the service required by the public interest. If the police force is to be used for political purposes, the tax paid for it should be wielded by the authorities of the city and not by the Legislature of the State.

Let us have no more fulsome commendation of Governor Warmoth, nor see any more disgusting compliments paid to him, until he manifests a disposition to treat the people of the State and city with the management of their own local affairs, an inalienable constitutional right of all American communities.

THE SIXTH-DAY OF BURNS.

The St. Andrews Society, which has been in existence in this city for many years, celebrated on the evening of the 25th inst. the anniversary of the birthday of Robert Burns, the Bard of Scotland, in the Masonic Hall, which was decorated in the usual style, and which displayed a profusion of evergreen festoons on the roof of the hall, and the banners of Scotland with the flag of the Hibernia Society, in the place of honor. The portraits of St. Walter Scott and Lord Byron were properly placed at the head of the Bard's Hall. Under the entrance at the lower end of the hall, the bust of Burns was perched in eminent lofty state.

The ladies' parlor and adjacent rooms were hung with engravings of the best English capital and other scenes associated with the life of the Bard, with a collection of Poetry appearing in Burns at the Plough."

"Bonn ann Is Highland Mary" and "Ladieson my Jo" etc, etc.

The President of the assembly of Burns, Mr. Alexander Ross, of Inverness Hall, Page, President of the St. Andrews Society for the last two years, presided in the chair with all his usual bookwisc, and Mr. Duncan Sinclair, one of our ablest and most venerated Scottish citizens, discharged the duties of Croupier.

After supper, which was both substantial and elegant, the Chairman announced the programme of the evening, and began the proceedings of the evening.

The toast and song in line is:

He said he was proud to see so many ladies present. The heights to which they in their pretty fancy proved to him that the spirit of their immortal Burns, after hovering around Scotia's sons, where they used to gain in honor his memory in the land of their adoption, far from the "green braes and sunny moors" of his native land.

Many an eye in Scotland turns toward the setting sun to-day. Many a heart is there, yearn for friends and relatives and "auld sld, dearly dear auld lang syne" others who have left their native home to seek another Canaan, inviting them to where "wealth still swels the golden idle or bear trade his labor gives."

From every city in Scotland, from hills, from glens, from valleys, from the fields, from the glens, from the mountains, from the lone mountain sides, many a prayer ascends to heaven from Scotland's sons, to bless this land and this people where and among whom they have acclaimed as the land of many a wanderer from old Caledonia.

And he continued: Every one of us whom we delight so much be honor, expresses in a long speech, which he read, the wish for a long session, which ended in the moment of an anxious wife (these words—that over the Tweed, I mean, he said—"But what is the work and its ultimate issue? Is it the mere gratification of a wish? Is it the mere gratification of a wish? Is it for all the world to know that we are a nation? Is it for all the world to know that we are a nation? Is it that we have our nationality? Is it that we have our nationality? Is it that we have our nationality?"

This toast, as well as the following, was drunk with the "Scots Wha Hae."

"The President of the United States; the Queen of Great Britain; the Parliament of Britain." "The poets of Scotland." "The Sons of Mr. Burns." "The Trade of Blue Dungan." "Sister societies of Scotland." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier." "The Ladies." "The Chairman." "The Croupier."

Among the literary features of the festival were those of Dr. Mackenzie, who in a special poem in the form of an *Ode of the Scottish* poets to Burns, Dr. Jas. Ross, Dr. Gilmin Thomas, a native of this city, and Mr. Alexander Ross, who read a long and highly appropriate and very warm and approved address; one can, we think, be certain, with fervent admiration, the original contribution to the entertainment, just published in Scottish dialect by Mr. L. Deming, of New York, whose fine and powerful rendering of not a few of the most popular ballads of Burns drew the enthusiastic applause of the Scottish Bard.

After singing "Auld Lang Syne" the ladies were good away, and the festival commenced and progressed till far in the morning.

AVERT THE EVIL—If mothers would give Mrs. Whitcomb's Syrup to their children when sick, mortality would be less among them. It costs only 25 cents.

If you feel dull, drowsy, debilitated, have frequent headaches, mouth tastes bad, poor appetite and tongue coated, you are suffering from Torpid Liver or "Biliousness," and nothing will cure you so surely as Dr. Henley's Celebrated Bitters. Ask Druggists for Medical Discovery. Sold by all druggists.

The Tuesday Relief Meeting.

The members of the Bar of New Orleans met in adjourned meeting, yesterday, in the Court Room of the United States Circuit Court, Hon. Christian Roselius in the chair, to receive and act upon the Address of the Bar of the United States, which had been drawn up by a committee appointed at the previous meeting. The Secretary, Mr. M. M. Cohen, read the Address which is as follows:

To the Members of the Bar of the United States:

At a meeting of the members of the Bar of New Orleans, held on the 25th January, a Committee was appointed to prepare an Address to the Bar of the United States, inviting them to co-operate in a movement by which they propose to give some evidence of their appreciation of the long and distinguished service of the Hon. Roger B. Taney, late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Committee, in pursuance of instructions, have prepared a memorial to Chief Justice Taney, which, if approved by the Bar, it is intended to be forwarded to the Chief Justice Taney held that high and responsible position, and during that long period, he discharged the arduous duties of his high office with a dignity, impartiality and ability never surpassed by any judicial tribunal. In accepting the office, he occupied a prominent position at the Bar, and his reputation was such that it was deemed a compliment for the Bar to present his name for the position, and it was a matter of his office being barely sufficient for the support of his family, he had without having been able to provide for the comfortable maintenance of his family, who have been reduced to the necessity of seeking a precarious support by their own exertions as copyists. Under these circumstances, we consider it but an act of justice to the memory of the great and good Judge, that some substantial acknowledgment should be made of the debt of gratitude the legal professional specialty, and the people of the United States generally, owe for the spotless integrity, unsullied fame, and the great service he rendered to the Bar and to the country. Such a tribute, we think, would be a fitting one, and we, therefore, respectfully call upon our professional brethren of the United States and such other citizens as may desire to co-operate with us in this movement, to hold similar meetings and appoint committees to carry into effect the objects of the Address.

Our Chairman, Mr. Roselius, and Mr. Brown and S. Tenkle Wallis, of Baltimore, are well acquainted with the Chief Justice and the daughters of his family, Mrs. Key and Miss Taney.

C. ROSELIUS, Chairman.
G. H. DUPREE,
M. M. COHEN,
J. C. BULLOCK,
W. W. PHELPS, Secretaries.

On motion the address was adopted.

The Chairman then moved the appointment of a committee of eleven members of the Bar, whose duty it should be to receive any contributions that might be made by the citizens of Louisiana in behalf of the family of Judge Taney.

The Chairman appointed the following gentlemen:

Judge H. C. Dibble, Geo. W. Race, Jos. P. Hornor, H. C. Miller, C. E. Fenner, S. Whitaker, James R. Beatie, R. H. Brown, Jas. McConnell, W. Grant, W. W. Ringgold, Jr., and Jas. Lanier.

On motion the Chairman of the meeting—the Resolution—was added to the committee.

On motion the committee were requested to meet on Monday (to-morrow) at 10 o'clock in the office of the Chairman, to consult as to the proper measures to be taken; in furtherance of the duty with which they were charged. The meeting then adjourned until Saturday next to receive the report of the committee thus formed.

MONUMENT TO GEN. R. E. LEE.—In our advertising columns appears to-day an address to the public of New Orleans, by the Executive Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the Lee Monumental Association, who have been charged with the duty of taking the proper steps necessary to carry out the object of the Association. The Committee will circulate copies of the notice in the city during the coming week.

LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1871.

Senate.

The Senate was called to order at 12 M., Lieut. Gov. Dunn presiding.

Twenty-two Senators present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The following standing committees as per resolution were announced:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting a report of the Board of Commissioners of the Levee Board, with a bill to incorporate the Alexandria, Homer and Pacific Railroad Company. Laid on subject to call.

Under a suspension of the rules the bill introduced by Mr. Campbell to incorporate the Louisiana Improvement Company and to provide a depository for public moneys, was read.

The bill provides for the issue of capital stock of the corporation shall be five hundred dollars, in shares of one hundred dollars each, that the amount of capital stock of corporation shall never be increased, that the stockholders shall elect from their number a board of new directors.

A President, Cashier and other necessary officers shall be elected annually, to enable the said corporation to carry on the business of the State, and the Cashier shall give bond in such sum as may be the evidence of debt, at such rates as the directors shall prescribe, anything in the laws of this State to the contrary notwithstanding, and the said company may deal in cotton, sugar, rice, etc., to advance money on cotton, sugar, rice, etc., to advance money on cotton, sugar, rice, etc., to advance money on