

THE WEEKLY HERALD.

JAS. M. SWORDS, Publisher. WM. M. SPEARS, Editor.

DAILY SUBSCRIPTION: One Year, in Advance, \$10.00; Six Months, in Advance, \$6.00; Three Months, in Advance, \$3.00.

WEEKLY SUBSCRIPTION: One Year, in Advance, \$2.00; Six Months, in Advance, \$1.00.

SATURDAY SEPT. 10, 1870.

From the Index. Apostrophe to Beant Sutter! Hall, lying thief! offspring of Hell, earth-born!

Scab of humanity, ulcerous incrustation of all that Pandemonium ever bred! Harry, Jettell, ruffian, huzard, skunk!

HOMES FOR THE HOMELESS. A great draw back to the increase of the population of Vicksburg is the extreme difficulty that families have in procuring homes.

Common, rough, unimproved lots on the inside edge of the corporation limits are held at from twelve to twenty-five hundred dollars, according to location chiefly.

Such lots are worth in real value not over six hundred dollars, and that would be a large price.

When it is remembered that these very lands lie nearly one mile from the centre of the business portion of the city, then the exorbitancy of such prices can be seen.

That these prices are out of all proportion to the value of the lots there can be no doubt; but, we again ask, what can be done to help the case?

This state of things—the imperative demand for building lots and for residences indicates with unerring certainty, the rapid growth of our city; but will not the almost

(If not quite) impossibility of securing residences here check the tide of incoming population and send it other ways? We fear it may!

Of course land owners will only reduce their prices when a sale cannot be made otherwise, or when "hard up" and forced to sell.

There are times when property here is low in reality. Could not such a season be availed of by enterprising persons to form a company and buy large tracts convenient to the business portion of the city, and dividing it into lots, sell it off at only a slight advance on cost?

Let us put a question to capitalists: Do you want a good profitable and safe investment? Then we offer you this: For every \$10,000, purchase an acre of ground contiguous to the city; divide into six building lots; place thereon six neat dwellings, and rent them at \$300 a year—which can be done instantly.

Suppose a kind of colony or suburb be formed near town by some such plan as we have alluded to. If there were a sufficient number of families they could own and keep an ambulance or omnibus or two at slight cost to each, to carry them to and fro between home and town two or three times a day.

And we will say, further, if any one has any building lots for sale about the city at anything like a cheap price, we will advertise them without charge in an editorial.

THE TROUBLE IN MASSACHUSETTS. We learn that yesterday morning, a difficulty occurred near Bolton Station between Mr. John Clingan and Charles Caldwell, negro Senator for Hinds county. The facts, as we learn them, were that Caldwell got on board the train at Bolton to go to Clinton.

"STRAW."

See Times and Republicans, September 9.

1st Straw—which is not to be found amongst the floating items of the press.

"About thirty-five thousand Iowa bales of cotton, have gone into the calico, long-cloth, and domestic factory business."

This means that we may soon expect to hear the announcement that "about thirty-five thousand Mississippi cows have gone into the cheese factory business."

Let us put a question to capitalists: Do you want a good profitable and safe investment? Then we offer you this: For every \$10,000, purchase an acre of ground contiguous to the city; divide into six building lots; place thereon six neat dwellings, and rent them at \$300 a year—which can be done instantly.

Suppose a kind of colony or suburb be formed near town by some such plan as we have alluded to. If there were a sufficient number of families they could own and keep an ambulance or omnibus or two at slight cost to each, to carry them to and fro between home and town two or three times a day.

And we will say, further, if any one has any building lots for sale about the city at anything like a cheap price, we will advertise them without charge in an editorial.

THE TROUBLE IN MASSACHUSETTS. We learn that yesterday morning, a difficulty occurred near Bolton Station between Mr. John Clingan and Charles Caldwell, negro Senator for Hinds county. The facts, as we learn them, were that Caldwell got on board the train at Bolton to go to Clinton.

THE TROUBLE IN MASSACHUSETTS. We learn that yesterday morning, a difficulty occurred near Bolton Station between Mr. John Clingan and Charles Caldwell, negro Senator for Hinds county. The facts, as we learn them, were that Caldwell got on board the train at Bolton to go to Clinton.

this when it is pointed out to them by those who have reluctantly left those thrifty communities of the North, for the sole purpose of doing us good, it is evident that such blindness can be due only "to hatred of the North and Northern men" and the absurd notion that there are persons amongst us who are literally "living upon their hatred" of the South and Southern men.

THE UNITED STATES RECOGNIZES THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

This is apparently perfectly natural and just what this great Government should do. The whole nation should beam with delight to know that the blessings which have been so bountifully showered upon us through the benign influences of our popular and all protecting form of government is now about to be extended to another nation, heretofore political barbarians.

But there is even yet another phase to this question. The Radical party has been intensely Prussian in its avowed sympathies. Since that party does nothing without a purpose, we naturally inquire why it should entertain and express this preference.

"The Ohio Republicans" have been trying again to ride two horses at once. In the second paragraph of their platform they demand at one and the same time a revenue tariff and a prohibitory tariff.

"This political legerdemain can only excite the astonishment of political babes. Our latest news from Ohio would incline us to believe that the people don't particularly care for juggling; they are rather in earnest about making an end of all such circus politicians."

Now, however, the Radical party has gone back on its German friends in this. It has exultingly recognized the Republic in France. A Republic in France does not suit King William of Prussia, nor does it suit Prussians.

JIM FISK AND GOV. ALCORN.

Alcorn's "sedentary militia" does not seem to evoke as much admiration among the "outside barbarians" as it commands from His Excellency, the Commander-in-Chief, and his satellites Brigadier and Adjutant General, M. B. Hewson, Major General Stafford, of the Jackson Pilot, and the gang of vagabonds, (Castello, et al omne genus), whom James I, the pious, has appointed Brigadier Generals.

We will not allow our valorous Falstaff of a Governor to be compared with Grant's partner in the last year's gold swindling speculation. We do not propose to have Governor Alcorn depreciated in the eyes of the world.

But we did not intend to dwell upon Fisk and Alcorn. ("Arcades Noisy") our only purpose being to introduce the following criticism on the "Sedentary Militia," from the New York World of the 5th inst.

A particular locality now to be at once cursed by and congratulated upon the appearance of a vagabond Radical militia is the State of Mississippi. Under an act of the Legislature, the Governor has set about the organization of an army, and in the various Mississippi exchanges reaching us are portentous indications of the progress of this warlike move.

The pleasing spectacle, therefore, is to be presented us in Mississippi of an army emphatically organized with a heart for any fate—ready, as occasion may demand, to overawe an election or operate an incorporated joint-stock "gin-mill."

With the captain as chairman, lieutenant as librarian, sergeant as secretary, and corporal as cashier, how beautiful this Radical adaptation of the destructive military art to all the profitable pursuits of peace! It has been long since we

have had a moral idea. With the termination of the rapid money-making rendered possible by the war, it seemed almost as if the great heart of the nation had ceased to exultate little games; but here, in the exquisite device of "ten joint stock companies making one regiment," is a patriotic throbbing that renews the glories of the past.

DEMOCRATIC SENTIMENT.

Platform of the Michigan Democratic Convention.

The following are the resolutions adopted unanimously by the Democratic State Convention of Michigan, on Wednesday week:

1. That we recognize, now as ever, the right of the people to decide all questions relating to the distribution and exercise of their political power, and we render to their decision, when constitutionally and legally expressed, a cheerful obedience.

6. That to maintain the honor and good faith of the nation, it is necessary that the public debt be paid strictly in accordance with its terms.

7. That the present system of so-called national banks is a monopoly, whereby favored States and favored persons are unduly benefited; but if the system is to be continued we demand, on behalf of Michigan and the West, that it shall be so modified as to make its privileges free to all.

Five years ago Gov. Warmouth, of Louisiana, was "a poor cuss." To-day he is worth a half million of dollars. The Charleston News says Gov. Scott, of South Carolina, when he first went to the State, paid axes only on a horse and chaise.

MILITIA EXEMPTIONS.

The following are the opinions of the "Major General Commanding," and are clipped from the columns of the Jackson Pilot. To them we direct attention:

We have been asked the question "are members of organized fire companies exempt from militia duty?" We can only give our opinion in answer to this question, and we regret the absence of the Attorney General, as we intend to submit the matter to him.

Section 39 of the militia law specifies the class of persons exempt, but does not include firemen of any class. But the reason for our opinion that members of companies whose charters rights include exemption from militia duty, are exempt, notwithstanding the silence of the law, is, that no vested right or privilege acquired in consideration of money paid or duty performed under law, can be legislated away by general law.

THE FIRE IN JEFFERSON, TEXAS.—Sixteen Large Business Houses Destroyed.—The fire in Jefferson, Texas, on the morning of August 26, destroyed an entire block, in which were sixteen of the largest business houses of the city, causing a loss estimated at from \$250,000 to \$300,000, \$126,000 of which are covered by insurance.

Table listing names and amounts: Brown & User, (Cotton Brokers) \$50,000; M. Holburn, \$10,000; Bennett & Wain, \$10,000; C. L. Fletcher, \$10,000; Russell & Co. (Building), \$10,000; Nichols, Lewis & Anderson, \$10,000; Hancock, \$10,000; A. D. Zales, \$10,000; Birge, Nichols & Co., \$10,000; C. J. Loventhal, \$10,000; Washburn & Jacobs, \$10,000; Day & Bro., \$10,000.

Living Beyond their Means.

Bulwer says that poverty is only an idea, nice cases out of ten. Some men with ten thousand dollars a year suffer more for the want of means than others with three thousand dollars. The reason is, the richer man has artificial wants. His income is ten thousand dollars and he suffers enough from being dunned for unpaid debts to kill a sensitive man. A man who earns a dollar a day and does not run in debt, is the happier of the two. Very few people who have never been rich will believe this; but it is true. There are thousands and thousands with princely incomes who never know a moment's peace, because they live above their means. There is really more happiness in the world among the working people than there are among those who are called rich.

They have a noiseless street pavement in London. A part of Holburn has been laid with a smooth, "patent asphalt," over which the wheels of cabs and wagons roll without clatter. The Daily News demands that a fair trial should be given to this pavement, and indulges in dreams of the day when traffic in London shall glide through the streets "as noiselessly as the gondolas of Venice."

MAJOR GENERAL'S STAFF.—The following are, says the Jackson Pilot, announced as the staff officers by appointment of the Major General of Militia of Mississippi:

- Hiram T. Fisher, Colonel and Assistant Adjutant General, &c. John A. Galbreath, Colonel and Assistant Quartermaster General, &c. Dr. J. L. Carter, Lieut. Colonel and Assistant Surgeon General. A. K. Long, Major and Aid-de-Camp. E. K. Stafford, Major and Aid-de-Camp.

We suggest that when the Legislature meets next winter, it either make important changes in its Revenue law, or change its name thus: "An Act to consolidate the property of the people of Mississippi."—[Hinds county Gazette.]