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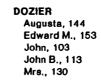
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The first steamboat that came to Columbus was in March. 1828. After she had been here a week or ten days, making some repairs, the Captain arranged for a pleasure excursion down the river as far as Woolfolk's Mound, the next Sunday. Nearly every body went, and a good number of them had to walk back to town on account, as the captain alleged, not being able to raise sufficient steam for the boat to make beadway against the river current. The next morning about daybreak the signal gun* of the boat was heard, giving notice of her return.

INCIDENTS.

There were no churches here during this year. There would occasionally be preaching by some missionary to the frontier heathen, or by some traveling minister. Columbus was a pretty "hard" place for a year or two. There was not much execution of law or government of any kind. Every body had to look out for themselves. This being the case, we are not surprised to find the files of the Enquirer for those years abounding with reports of duels, impromptu fights, and duelling correspondence.

The following, in regard to the streets and scenery of Columbus, from the Enquirer of August 9th, 1828, will still be of interest. The streets remain as originally laid out, but the "romantic walks" and gushing springs are among the things that were:

"The streets running parallel with the river are nine in number, and are all 132 feet wide, except Broad, which is 164 feet wide. This street is one and a half miles long, and is a perfect level the whole distance, except one depression. The cross streets are thirteen in number, and are each 99 feet wide. From the width of the streets an elegant and airy appearance is given to the town. There is a wide expanse left between the town and the river for a promenade, which, after it shall have been properly prepared, will form one of the handsomest and most romantic walks in the State. All along the bank of the river opposite the town, fine, pure water gushes out, which affords not only a great convenience, but a great luxury to citizens."

In October, Henry C. Dawson took charge of the McIntosh

House, and Peter Dudley became sole proprietor of the Columbus Hotel.

A new hotel, called "Muscogee Hall," on the corner of Broad and Crawford streets, was opened in November by Nicholas Howard.

At the Presidential election in November, the Jackson electors received 143 votes, and the Adams electors 17.

The first bale of cotton ever sold in the town was brought in November from Gwinnett county, and bought by Robert Maharrey at 121c.

On the 29th of November the pole-boat Rob Roy, Love owner, arrived from Apalachicola with a full cargo of groceries for J. Fontaine, Maharrey, Love & Co.

A clever local conundrum which we find in the paper is this: "Why is the town of Columbus like modest ladies?" The answer-"Because it is on the reserve."

OFFICERS

Hon. Walter T. Colquitt was Judge, and Andrew B. Griffin Clerk of the Superior Court this year. The following gentlemen constituted the Grand Jury at the Fall Term: E. E. Bissell, foreman, John R. Page, Samuel B. Head, E. B. Lucus, Stoddard Russell, Robert Daniel, Robt. Henry, Benj. Tarver, Thomas Rogers, Thomas Lang, Samuel E. Buckler, Joseph White, Hillery Triplett, Samuel Koockogy, Thomas Cox, Thos. Sluck, Jona, A. Hudson,

James C. Holland was Sheriff, and P. Robertson Deputy Sheriff.

John Townsend was Clerk of the County Court.

Joel B. Scott was Coroner.

Edwin E. Bissel and G. W. Dillard were Justices of the Inferior Court.

S. J. Cooley was Postmaster until October, when Jas. Van Ness was appointed.

At the October election, Sowell Woolfolk was chosen Senator, and W. D. Lucas Representative.

^{*} It was a custom then, and for many years afterward, for boats to carry a small cannon, and on nearing a town or landing to give notice of their approach by discharging it.

Mirabeau B. Lamar severed his connection with the Enquirer on the 1st of October, 1830. He represented Muscogee county in the Legislature of Georgia in 1829 '30. Shortly after his retirement from the Enquirer he removed to Texas, and there received the highest honors within the gift of the people. He was elected President of the young and independent Republic in 1838. He died in Texas in December, 1859. Gen. L. was twice married. His first wife is buried in the cemetery in this city; his second was a daughter of the Rev. John Newland Massitt.

Walter T. Colquitt was for a number of years the most brilliant (perhaps not the most solid) member of the bar of Columbus. He was noted for keenness of wit and repartee and versatility of talent. As a lawyer, judge, both a representative and senator in Congress, he was equally conspicuous and efficient. He died in Macon, Ga., on the 7th of May, 1855, after a long and painful illness.

MARRIAGES.

July 28.—Col. P. H. Alston and Miss Sarah D. Parks.

Sept. 6.—Maj. Rufus M. Farrington and Miss Sarah, daughter of Gen. Wm. McIntosh.

Sept. 7.—Samuel E. Buckler and Miss Sophia Tomliu.

Sept. 20.—James Brown, of Augusta, and Miss Ann Dukes.

Sept. 28—Samuel R. Andrews and Miss Elizabeth Day.

DEATHS.

July 26.—Elizabeth, infant child of Blake and Lucy Robinson.

Aug. 30.-Wilson (an Irishman) drowned in the river.

Sept. 16.—Mrs. Davis, a native of North Carolina.

Oct. 18.—James B. Crawford, aged 30 years.

Nov. 13.—"Indian Boy," aged 12 years, from a stab in the forehead.

We find the names of the following business and professional men of Columbus during this year:

Merchants—James W. Fannin, jr., Thomas Lang, Phelps & Bonner, Jacob I. Moses & Co., I. Scott, Joel B. Scott, Jona. A. Hudson, Sowell Woolfolk, Farlin & Nafew, Elisha Avery.

Lawyers—Ulysses Lewis, Wm. J. W. Wellborn, Samuel T. Bailey, James Van Ness, Thos. G. Gordon, Julius C. Alford.

Doctors—I. T. Scott, H. C. Phelps, E. L. DeGraffenried, Fitzgerald Bird.

Hotel Keepers—Wm. D. Lucas, Nicholas Howard, Peter Dudley, Henry C. Dawson; Teacher—Jno. R. Page; Barber—Wm. Woodliff; Brickmakers—Winston & Alford, Zoroaster Robinson; Tailor—J. W. Radeliff; Gin Maker, &c.—Rhoderic Murray.

Latest quotations of prices of merchandise for this year, Dec. 13th: Bacon 12½c., Bagging and Twine 50c., Cotton 7½c., Corn 50 to 75c., Flour \$10 to \$15, Molasses 50c., Salt \$2 50, Brown Sugar 10 to 12c., Coffee 18 to 20c., Tobacco 25c., Whisky 75c.

1829. THE (TOWN) INCORPORATED.

The first act of incorporation of the Town of Columbus passed the Legislature of Georgia in December, 1828, and was signed by the Governor on the 19th of that month. It provided for the election on the 1st Monday in January, 1829, of an Intendant and six Commissioners, and vested the municipal government in them. The election resulted in the choice of Ulysses Lewis as Mayor, and Samuel B. Head, James Van Ness, Ira Scott, Simon L. Smith, George W. Dillard and Thos. G. Gordon as Commissioners. [Another ticket for Commissioners, which associated Messrs. Van Ness and Scott with M. B. Lamar, Fitzgerald Bird, T. T. Gammage and Henry C. Phelps, had previously been nominated by a meeting of citizens; but Messrs. Lamar, Bird and Gammage declined before the day of election.]

On the same day county officers for Muscogee were elected, as follows: Arian Coaker. Tax Collector; James Johnson, Receiver of Tax Returns; E. E. Bissel, Jas. Hitchcock, B. A.

that the gold found in 1830 was washed down with the sands from above in some freshet.

A new hotel, called Lafayette Hall, was opened in the spring of this year—John C. Blance proprietor. It was on the corner of Oglethorpe and Bridge streets.

The 4th of July was again celebrated with becoming spirit. The "Frontier Guards" headed the procession. Maj. A. F. Moore was Marshal of the day; the prayer was by Rev. Mr. Moore; Col. Ulysses Lewis was the reader of the Declaration, and M. B. Lamar, Esq., the orator. A public dinner at Howard's Hotel wound up the celebration with a feast of good things, including patriotism and hilarity.

The first load of new cotton was received on the 15th of September. It was from the plantation of Mr. McGehee, of Meriwether county, and was sold to Stewart & Fontaine at 10 cents. The next week several loads were received, and sold at 10½ to 11 cents. Nearly 100 bales were received on the 28th of October — reported as an unusually large day's receipts.

In July, Mr. Lamar retired from the Enquirer, having sold his interest to Mr. James Van Ness. In November, Mr. Marks sold his interest to Messrs. Henry W. Hilliard and James N. Bethune.

In April, some "malicious villain" entered the Enquirer office at night and pied the forms and cases.

The anniversary of St. John the Baptist was celebrated by the Columbian Lodge of Columbus. The address was delivered by Rev. Barkley Martin. H. R. Taylor was Secretary of this Lodge.

At the county election in October, Sowell Woolfolk was elected Senator, and A. Y. Gresham Representative.

A new pole boat, called the "Mary Jones," was launched by Hodges, Moore & Co., in September.

Pole boats arrived and departed frequently during this year.

The first steamboat arrival of this winter was the "Balti-

more," on the 17th day of December, in five days from Apalachicola.

On the 22d December, the steamer Georgian, a new boat built at Pittsburgh for a company of gentlemen of Columbus, arrived in fifteen days from Pittsburgh.

PERSONAL.

The county officers, elected in January, were—Wm. Holland, Sheriff; A. B. Griffin, Clerk of the Superior Court; John Townsend, Clerk of the Inferior Court.

The following gentlemen constituted Muscogee grand jury for the Spring term of 1830: J. W. Fannin, E. C. Alford, Asa Bates, H. R. Taylor, David Dean, William Mullally, David W. Upton, S. R. Andrews, E. L. Lucas, W. D. Lucas, B. G. Lucas, H. C. Phelps, A. R. Mershon, E. Jewett, J. R. Lyons, B. Tarver, A. L. Watkins, Neill McNorton, J. P. Jackson, Thomas Davis, Jonathan A. Hudson.

Julius C. Alford did not long remain a citizen of Columbus, but removed in a short time to LaGrange, and while residing there was elected to Congress in 1839. He had notable characteristics and an originality sui generis. His impetuous and impulsive style of debate won for him the appropriate name "War Horse of Troup." It is reported of him that while in Congress he startled the House from its propriety by a terrific imitation of the Indian war-whoop, which he did in answer to a Northern member who had defended the Georgia and Alabama Indians and blamed the whites for their warlike demonstrations. He removed to Alabama about the year 1850, settling in Pike County, and died there several years ago.

Ulysses Lewis was a man of characteristics peculiarly fitted to impress and mould frontier society, and no doubt contributed much to the giving of tone to the civilization of both Columbus and Russell county, Ala., to which county he removed with the first wave of white settlement. He was sternly upright and just, with a courage for any emergency, and a fund of hard common sense that made him the very

Jackson, Col. John Milton and Robert W. Carnes, of whom Gen. Lawhon was President, and R. W. Carnes Cashier. A satisfactory exposition of the affairs of the Bank was promised soon, but it remained "suspended." The *Euquirer* attributed the suspension of this Bank to a change which had been made in its management.

Business opened in a very lively manner this winter, as is apparent from the following editorial of December 27th:

Our town the present week has presented quite a business like appearance. Bales of cotton have rolled down one street, whilst up another sacks of salt and coffee, hogsheads of sugar, barrels of strong drink and all manner of merchandise have moved to their places of deposit, on every imaginable vehicle, from the strongest road wagou to the humble wheelbarrow. On Christmas eve we went to the wharf to see the cause of so much ado, and there we found seven beautiful steamboats discharging and receiving their cargoes. Three of these boats are entirely new and on their first visit to Columbus—viz: The Eloisa, the Ellen and the Southron. All are splendid craftsstrong, beautiful and well adapted to the navigation of our river. Close beside these, "all in a row," lay our old acquaintances, the Columbus, Chattahoochee, Versailles and Georgian. All of these have done and are still doing good service. We hail these boats, old and new, as evidences of our prosperity, and shall be glad to see them and many more plying our river."

INCIDENTS.

The new steamer Columbus, Jr., struck a snag on the 23d of February, and sunk. No lives lost,

This appears to have been the first summer that Columbus enjoyed the luxury of ice. A "Columbus Ice Company" had been formed, and in March received seventy tons, which was stored in its ice-house. Our present venerable and respected citizen, James Kivlin, was the agent of the company for the sale of it.

The Siamese Twins exhibited in Columbus in March.

The Enquirer commenced this year with bright, new type, making a handsome appearance, under the management of M. B. Lamar and W. B. Tinsley. On the 29th of March R. T. Marks took the place of Mr. Lamar; and on the 12th of April Wm. B. Tinsley transferred his interest to W. L. Jeter

and S. W. Flournoy. It was then for some time published by Marks, Flournoy & Jeter.

A three days' cock fight commenced on the 1st of July.

B. A. G. Lucas, a former citizen of Columbus, was shot in his house, in the Creek nation, by an Indian, and killed, on the 29th of May; and on the same day Gen. Edward Featherston, a citizen of Columbus, was waylaid by an Indian, whose gun snapped, and thus the General escaped. Thus the two races drifted towards the war that soon followed.

Rev. John Baker, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, died in Virginia on the 15th of June.

In the 4th of July celebration this year, a procession was formed in front of Bedell & Walker's City Hall, under direction of the following officers: President, E. S. Shorter; Vice Presidents J. S. Calhoun, Dr. Hoxey and Ebenezer Torrence; Marshals of the day, Asa Bates and J. C. Holland; marched to the Methodist church where prayer was offered up by Rev. S. K. Hodges, after which the Declaration was read by E. S. Shorter, Esq., and an oration delivered by Judge W. T. Colquitt. After the oration the company, amounting to three or four hundred, repaired to Messrs. Shorter & Tarver's warehouse where a large barbecue had been prepared by Bedell & Walker.

'The "Columbus Merchant Mills" were completed this year, three miles above Columbus, and were run by James Shivers & Co.

In November the Enquirer office was set on fire by an incendiary, and narrowly escaped destruction.

The steamboat Van Buren, loaded with cotton, was destroyed by fire, in December, while on her way from Columbus to Apalachicola. The passengers had to swim ashore, but were all saved. The loss was estimated at \$45,000.

In December the bill establishing the Mayor's Court of Columbus was repealed.

PERSONAL.

The following were officers of a "State Rights Auxilliary Association" organized this year:

President—Allen Lawhon.

Vice-Presidents—G. E. Thomas, J. S. Calhoun, M. B. Lamar, N. Howard, A. S. Clifton.

Secretaries-R. W. Carnes, Garret Hallenbeck.

Treasurer—Samuel W. Flournoy.

Printing and Corresponding Committee—M. Torrence, E.S. Shorter, W. T. Colquitt, H. J. Harwell, W. B. Tinsley, John Milton, J. N. Bethune.

Committee on Orators—U. Lewis, J. A. Urquhart, C. L. Bass, Wm. P. Malone, Thomas C. Evans, Wm. D. Hargrove, A. K. Ayer, Jos. T. Kilgore, H. A. Thornton, E. L. Wittich.

At the October election, Walter T. Colquitt was elected State Senator, and Wm. L. Wynn and John Woolfolk Representatives.

MARRIAGES.

Feb. 20.—A. C. Bostick and Miss Henrietta C. Macall; Harvey Hall and Miss Jane C. Ives.

March 6.—George Montague and Miss Mary Angeline Parsons.

April 10-Simeon Patillo and Miss Harriet Kirkland.

June 15-Wm. D. Hargroves and Mrs. Woolfolk, widow of Sowell Woolfolk.

Nov. 14—Battle A. Sorsby and Miss Elvira, daughter of James C. Cook.

DIED.

April 2-Mrs. Jane Odom, consort of John Odom.

April 27-Samuel, infant son of Dr. Billing.

May 3-Joseph F. Murray, a native of North Carolina.

June 9-Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Wynn, wife of Wm. L. Wynn.

June 12-Mrs. Martha Hudson, wife of Jonathan A. Hudson.

July 5-Samuel Sully, merchant.

July 11—George S. Shivers, Esq.

July 29-Isaac A. Smith, a native of Connecticut.

Aug. 20—Geo. W. Dillingham, a prominent merchant and citizen, formerly of Massachusetts.

Aug. 14-John W. Stapler.

Aug. 20-Mrs. Martha Ann, wife of Moses Jones.

Sept. 1-Miss Mary Ann, daughter of the late Rev. Elijah Tarver.

Sept. 4—Henry P. Garrison.

Sept. 9-Mrs. Mary Vinson, wife of Peyton Vinson.

Nov. 19-Mrs. Elizabeth Watson, wife of Gen. James C. Watson.

Nov. 5—(In Rutherford, N. C.) Mrs. Harriet Camp, widow of Maj. Joseph T. Camp.

Business men whose advertisements appear for the first time:

Merchants—E. E. Powers, G. B. Terry, A. Dodge, M. B. Milliken & Co., J. B. Green & Co., Code & Mathews, R. Woodruff, Benj. Bonney, Peter Ruse, David H. Garland, E. D. Ledyard.

Doctors—J. M. Early, A. M. Walker. Lawyers—Thos. C. McKeen, John T. Lamkin, Josephus Echols; Tailors—John Quin, F. A. Fairchild; Teachers—H. R. McClintock, Miss Briggs; Warehouse— Augustus Heyward; Dentist—R. B. Martin.

1835.

More Indian Hostilities—Citizens Organized for Defense— Columbus Guards.

As the files of this year and 1836 are missing from the *Enquirer* office, and we can find only three numbers (Jan. 10 to Jan. 23, 1835, inclusive,) our report of minor incidents and personal intelligence must needs be meagre. We have a file of the Macon *Messenger* for the year 1835, from which we obtain some news of Columbus, and we presume that it would have made some mention of anything important occurring here during that year.

At the January election, the following municipal officers were elected: Intendant, James C. Watson; Commissioners—S. R. Bonner, A. S. Clifton, Asa Bates, J. P. H. Campbell, George W. Dillard, Lewis C. Allen.

During this year the troubles with the Indians increased, and the outrages committed by them kept the whites constantly in a state of excitement and alarm. The Indians had, by a treaty with the Federal Government in 1832, bound themselves to remove from the Alabama territory, opposite

Columbus, to their new homes west of the Mississippi, within five years. But there was a large party (possibly a majority) opposed to the treaty at the time, and as the period allowed by it for their remaining in Alabama drew near its close, they became sullen and refractory, and committed many outrages both upon the whites and upon those of their own race who favored the treaty and its execution.

Among the outrages reported in the Enquirer for the few weeks of this year above mentioned, are the following: Rev. Mr. Davis of the Presbyterian Church of Columbus, was riding along the road, a few miles from town, when he was ambuscaded and shot in the right shoulder by a party of Indians. But he escaped death at their hands. "But a few weeks ago (said the Enquirer of January 10) an innocent child, son of a respectable farmer of Russell county, was shot and inhumanly butchered by one of these merciless savages. Several others have been shot at and narrowly escaped with their lives. It is high time these bloody-thirsty beings should be hunted up and made to suffer for their crimes."

These and other outrages naturally aroused the citizens to the necessity of organization for the protection of themselves and their neighbors. We find in the Macon Messenger the proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of Columbus, held on the 25th of April, 1835, which we copy below:

In consequence of the present hostile attitude of the Creek Indians of Alabama, their numerous aggressions upon the property of citizens of Georgia, and their inhuman massacre of several unoffending individuals, a numerous meeting of the citizens of Columbus, Georgia, convened at the Court House in said town, on Saturday the 25th of April, to adopt such measures as might be deemed proper and necessary to quell the disturbances, and to protect from threatened violation the person and property of the inhabitants of Columbus and the territory in Georgia, adjacent to the Creek tribe of Indians.

On motion of John T. Lamkin, Esq., the Hon. Grigsby E. Thomas was called to the Chair, and James Van Ness appointed Secretary.

The object of the meeting was stated at length by the Hon. Eli S. Shorter, and the meeting farther addressed by Gen. D. McDougald, Rev. Mr. Harris, B. Martin, Esq., and Mr. E. L. Wittich, when the

following preamble and resolutions, introduced by the latter gentleman, were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, recent acts of hostility upon the part of the Indians in the Creek Nation have induced the Grand Jury of this County to investigate the subject, to devise means to put the town of Columbus in a more complete state of defence, in case of actual danger and alarm: And whereas the Committee appointed by the Grand Jury and the Columbus Guards have met and consulted upon the best means necessary to be adopted in the present unprotected state of the town, have thought proper to call a meeting of the citizens generally, and propose for their adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the citizens present enroll their names in alphabetical order, and that they be divided into companies of ten each, commencing at the first name on the list—one of whom shall be captain.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of each company to patrol the town from 9 o'clock at night until daylight in the morning, for one night in regular order, commencing with the first company.

Resolved, That each member when on patrol be required to be armed with a good gun and a sufficient quantity of ammunition.

Resolved, That when an alarm is given by the guard, each citizen repair forthwith to the City Hall, armed for active service.

On motion of J. P. H. Campbell, Esq., the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed for the purpose of submitting the proceedings of this meeting to the citizens of the town who are not present, and request them to enroll their names.

Messrs. E. L. Wittich, E. S. Shorter and M. R. Evans were appointed this committee.

The following resolutions, introduced by the Hon. E. S. Shorter, were adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to correspond with the Governor of Georgia, to apprise him of the actings and of the present state of our Indian relations, and respectfully request him to place a sufficient proportion of the military force of this part of the State in a situation for immediate service, and to place them under orders to resist and punish any aggressions which may be committed by the Indians upon the property, habitations or persons of our citizens, committed within our own limits, and if necessary to pursue them within the limits of Alabama.

Resolved also, That the same committee be instructed respectfully to request the Governor to correspond with the Governor of Alabama, and to assure him of the perfect willingness of the people and authorities of Georgia to co-operate with the authorities of Alabama in any

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measures which may be deemed necessary in repelling any and all aggressions of the Indians and punishing the offenders.

Messrs. E. S. Shorter, A. Iverson, and J. P. H. Campbell were appointed to compose that committee.

Gen. Daniel McDougald introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this meeting recommend to our fellow citizens of Russell County, Alabama, to organize a force for the purpose of scouring the County, demanding of the Chiefs in the different towns the murderers of those of our fellow-citizens who have been, or may be killed; should any emergency arise requiring additional force, we pledge ourselves to render to them efficient aid.

On motion of Mr. E. L. Wittich, it was-

Resolved, That Gen. D. McDougald be appointed to apportion the citizens enrolled into companies and to take charge of them in case of an emergency.

The Columbus Guards were organized by election of officers previously, but they did not receive their commissions until May of this year. They entered the State service under Major General Daniel McDougald in December, 1835, and were, on the 1st of January, 1836, mustered into the service of the United States, from which they were "honorably discharged" on the 1st of September of the same year. The following is the roll of the officers and privates as mustered into service:

Officers—J. A. Urquhart, Captain; Robt. A. Ware, First Lieutenant; Burton Hepburn, Second Lieutenant; Hines Holt, Third Lieutenant; P. A. Clayton, Fourth Lieutenant; John Jones, First Sergeant; Samuel M. Jackson, Second Sergeant; David Hudson, Third Sergeant; Robt. S. Flournoy, Fourth Sergeant; H. S. Wimberly, Fifth Sergeant; Henry B. Milliken, First Corporal; Geo. W. Martin, Second Corporal; Wm. L. Jeter, Third Corporal; John S. Allen, Fourth Corporal; William Butts, Drummer; John Thompson, Fifer.

Privates—H. C. Anderson, Allen G. Bass, Chas. L. Bass, Asa Bates, G. W. E. Bedell, Jos. Bender, Ransom Bird, S. R. Cashion, John E. Davis, Alphonso Delauney, M. R. Evans, A. L. Grant, Jos. B. Greene, E. S. Greenwood, J. D. Greenwood, Thos. B. Goulding, Thos. G. Gordon, Thos. P. Grimes, Wm. Harper, Jas. L. Hill, J. P. Hitchcock, Henry Hodges, Jas. R. Houghton, Theobald Houghton, Jas. D. Johnson, Jacob M. Johnson Andrew P. Jones, Geo. W. Jones, Jas. H. Jones, John D. Jordan, Henry P. Lathrop, Q. A. Lawhon, John H. Love, Lewis Livingston, Ben. F. Malone, R. T. Marks, Henry Mat-

thews, B. Matthewson, Allen Mims, Win. Mitchell, Monroe Mitchell, Jas. S. Moore, Jacob I. Moses, Richard W. Morris, Josiah Morris, E. Sigourney Norton, C. S. Pryor, Henry H. Randall, Jas. H. Reynolds, Francis Ruse, Thacker V. Rutherford, Thomas J. Shiver, Wm. Salisbury, Chas. H. Stewart, John St. John, Thomes E. Taggart, Washington Toney, David E. Walker, John T. Walker, W. C. Williamson.

INCIDENTS.

Two of the fine steamers running the Chattahoochee were lost in January of this year. The first was the new boat Eloisa, which was entirely consumed by fire on her first voyage down the river from Columbus, during the first week in January. Her cargo and furniture were entirely lost. She was laden with cotton, owned by merchants of Columbus and elsewhere, but this was insured. The Eloisa was owned by Messrs. Stewart & Fontaine, J. S. Calhoun, B. Hepburn and Col. D. J. Britt, and was commanded by Capt. Britt.

The second boat lost was the Versailles, which was snagged and sunk, early in January, near Fort Gadsden, a short distance above Apalachicola. As her cargo consisted of cotton, she too must have been on her down trip.

C. E. Bartlett published at this time, at his farm near Columbus, a neat little paper called the Southern Planter, devoted to agriculture and domestic economy.

This must have been a winter of unusual severity, as we find that on the 9th of January a man named Blalock was found dead near the bridge, having frozen to death during a snow storm the night previous, and on the same night two Indians, in a state of intoxication, were frozen to death near Columbus.

Proposals to build the Episcopal Church were invited by John Forsyth, jr., agent of the building committee, on the 1st of January. We understand that it was the same church building now standing on Oglethorpe street.

Books were opened in Columbus, in February, by Allen Lawhon, John Townsend and Nathaniel Nuckolls, Esqs., for subscription to the stock of the "Pigeon Roost Mining Com-

pany," of Lumpkin county. The Miner's Record, referring to the incorporation of this company, said: "We are of opinion that stock taken in it will be far more valuable than in any institution in the United States." A year later, in March, 1836, the Macon Messenger mentioned as a curiosity the sight of a bank note or draft issued by "Pigeon Roost Mining Company of Lumpkin county," made payable to A. Lawhon at Columbus, and signed Nicholas Howard, President, B. C. Dimmick, Cashier.

In December of this year there were exciting and well attended races over the course at Columbus. At this meeting Col. Crowell's horse, John Bascomb, won the three mile race, beating J. J. Harrison's Volney, in quick time. This race won for Bascomb a fame all over the Union. He was shortly afterwards matched against Col. Hampton's fast racer Argyle, Hampton staking \$17,000, and Crowell \$15,000. The race was run at Augusta, and was won by Bascomb in handsome style. A little later Bascomb ran at New York his celebrated race with the champion of the North (Post Boy we believe,) and won in this match of "the North against the South."

Cotton was quoted in January, at 13c. to 15c.

PERSONAL.

Thomas Samford was the Methodist minister stationed at Columbus, and Charles Hardy P. E. of the District.

Wm. Holland was Sheriff, and Joseph T. Killgore, Deputy Sheriff; Jas. C. Holland, Jailor; Gerard Burch, Clerk of the Superior Court; John Townsend, Clerk of the Inferior Court.

In October, Hepburn was elected Senator. and Bonner and Calhoun Representatives.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 11.—Isaac McGehee, of Girard, and Miss Martha H. Kennon, of Columbus.

Jan. 18.—Wm. Nichols and Miss Sarah Ann Field.

The following are names of business men mentioned in 1835, and not heretofore found in this compilation:

Merchants—Foster & Fogle, Benj. Bonney, Code & Matthews, E. D. Ledyard, Wittich, Greenwood & Co., William G. Porter, A. Dodge, David H. Garland & Co., Allen & Hill, R. Woodruff, Niles & Richards.

Lawyers—Marshall J. Wellborn, Philip H. Echols; Doctors—J. J. Boswell; Dentists—Dr. H. Balsan; Hotel or Boarding House-Keepers—Bedell & Walker, Wheelock & Willard, Isaac Mitchell.

1836.

Indian War-The First City Government.

This was a stirring year for Columbus. The work of removing the Indians in small bodies to their home west of the Mississippi had been going on for some time, but there was a large and unruly party among them opposed to removal, and the presumption is that the members of this party remained as long as possible and thus acquired greater proportionate strength and influence. They did not bring the difficulty to a crisis by making a positive stand against removal, but they commenced hostilities by aggressions on the whites, some of which are noticed in a previous chapter, and others occurred early this year. Then followed local organization to protect the aggressors or commit other aggressions upon the whites settled in their territory, and finally raids across the river. There were undoubtedly grievances of which the Indians justly complained. White settlers moved too soon into the territory, and Indian reservations were often obtained for a mere song—sometimes, doubtless, by fraud. The General Government at first endeavored to check these aggressions by the whites, to restrain their settlement in the Indian territory before the expiration of the time allowed for the full removal of the Indians, and to remove the most conspicuous offenders. This condition of affairs on the border crowded Columbus with transient residents and visitors. Being the place of greatest security, as well as the most accessible point along the line, people congregated here for safety, for temporary residence until the troubles were over, and for speculating purposes during the continuance of hostilities, as well as for facilities for rushing into the Indian territory as soon as the Government would permit and securing good land locations.

As our files of the Columbus Enquirer for the year 1836 are missing, this chapter must of course be lacking in personal news and minor local incidents. But we have the file of the Macon Messenger for this year, and from it we glean much information concerning the striking events of that period.

The first newspaper mention of actual Indian hostilities during this year, which we have been able to find, is in the Messenger of February 4th. We copy it entire:

"There has been considerable excitement for a week or two past at Columbus, and in the vicinity, from apprehension of hostile intentions on the part of the Indians of that neighborhood, and rumor has thrown in its usual contribution in making up all that was lacking in fact. On Thursday of last week it was understood that 500 Indians had crossed the Chattahoochee at Bryant's ferry, fifteen miles below Columbus. A detachment of twenty-two men, headed by Mr. John Watson, proceeded to the place to ascertain particulars. They there found forty armed Indians, who were returning to the ferry, who took cover and commenced firing. After some firing on both sides, two white men, Mr. Josiah Johnson and Mr. — McBride, were killed, and two wounded, and the whites then left the field, and the Indians probably returned home.*

"From all that we can learn from people well acquainted with the Indians, we should not judge that there was a hostile disposition on the part of those Indians generally, but that there are outlaws and marauders who are ready to rob and plunder principally for provisions, and to fight whenever it becomes necessary. This we believe to be the fact, both with regard to these Indians and those residing below."

The above was the fight sometimes called the "battle of Hitchity." The commander of the whites was Col. J. H. Watson, formerly of Columbus.

This affair greatly excited the people of Columbus, and two

companies were formed, under the command of Alexander McDougald and J. H. P. Campbell, who left Columbus during intensely cold weather and repaired to the scene of hostilities; but they found no Indians.

The Columbus Guards, organized previous to this outbreak, J. A. Urquhart, Captain, were actively engaged in service during these hostilities, and other companies were formed for the occasion. One was an artillery company under Captain Hoxey; another, the Cadet Rifles, under Capt. T. C. Evans; and another, the Muscogee Blues, under Capt. P. T. Schley. All these companies performed good service, and were honorably discharged when hostilities ceased.

On the 14th of April, the Macon Messenger said: "The Creek Indians, below Columbus, are said to be almost without provisions, and in a sullen, discontented mood. They are very much dissatisfied at not being permitted to hunt in Georgia (where game is much plentier than in Alabama,) and declare their intention to do so at any risk as soon as the leaves put out."

From the same paper, May 12th: "Our accounts from Columbus are of a most alarming character. A war has already been commenced, and a number of citizens killed. The Creek Indians, below the Federal Road, are all in arms and killing every white person they have fallen in with. There has been less known of the hostility of those above, but it is most probable that all are combined, and that the movements are simultaneous through the whole Nation. They commenced their general work of slaughter on Monday, the 10th inst. Previous to this, on the 5th of May, Major Wm. B. Flournoy, late of Putnam county, in this State, was killed and scalped a few miles below Fort Mitchell. A letter from Col. Crowell, the Agent at Fort Mitchell, dated the 9th, says that 'four persons have been killed and many negroes taken off within a few days'; that he had sent a messenger to some of the principal chiefs, who had returned him word that their young men were bent on war, and have assembled in the

^{*}We learn verbally from an old citizen that the Indians were retreating when the whites came up and rashly fired upon them. The Indians took cover under a bluff, and being thus protected fought with great advantage on their side,

"A scouting party of fifty men went out yesterday, but returned without finding Indians, except a small party of friendly Indians, who were coming in for protection. Last night it was expected that the plantations in Broken Arrow Bend, from three to seven miles below this, would be burned. A party of forty whites and fifteen friendly Indians, repaired to the place, to defend the plantations. They returned this morning. The Indians did not show themselves. This morning a letter was received from Marshall's settlement, fifteen miles above this, containing information that the neighborhood had yesterday embodied themselves, (thirty in number); they had a small brush with about fifty Indians, killed one and wounded several others. So that it is certain that they are hostile above the Federal Road also. From all that we can learn, the Hitchetees, Uchees and Tallassees, are all hostile. This is the opinion of Nea-Micco, the head chief.

The Macon Messenger of the 19th of May, (whose editor had just returned from a visit to Columbus) said of the scene here presented:

The city and vicinity of Columbus presents a truly distressing scene. Hundreds, probably a thousand, are encamped—some occupying warehouses, and every description of building that could be furnished, and many others with scarcely any protection from the elements. Most who had the means, or friends within reach, have retired to the country. The corporate authority of Columbus has furnished assistance for the destitute; but this source is precarious, as a scarcity of provisions must ensue, as forces accumulate to carry on the war.

At that time about three hundred friendly Indians had come in, and were camped on the property of Ben Marshall, on the west bank of the river. Two hundred were at Tuskegee, and fifty at Fort Mitchell.

Gen. Scott was in chief command of the United States troops, and controlled all military operations, with his head-quarters at Columbus. Gen. Jessup was also here, second in command to Gen. Scott. Early in June, Gen. Jessup left Columbus with an escort of about 200 men, for Tuskegee, where he was to take command of the Alabama troops. The Georgia troops were then encamped on the west bank of the Chattahoochee. The number of Indian warriors professing to be friendly was estimated at about 1,000. and the hostiles at about 6,000.

The Columbus Sentinel at this time published the following list of Georgia companies that had arrived:

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Corps. Harris Drafted Men Talbot do do	Captains.	No. Men.
Harris Drafted Men	·Vardeman	69
Talbot do. do.	. Miller,	
Pike Volunteers (cavalry)	Lynch	
Monroe Drafted do.	Stowart	
Monroe Volunteers	Florelles	80
Houston do	.riewellen,	74
Mouroe Drafted do. Monroe Volunteers. Touston do. Jasper Drafted. Jasper do.	Dennard,	54
Juaner do	. Roe,	, 54
Jasper do. Jones do.	·Lane,	48
Jones do. Talbot Volunteers. LaFavette Cavalay	.Hardeman,	80
Tabot volunteers	Rush,	99
LaFayette Cavalry	Stinson.	53
Gwinnett do. Houston Drafted	.Garmany	76
Houston Drafted	Smith	101
Upson do.	Crate	101
Upson do. Monroe Infantry Bibb Volunteers (cavalry). Heard Infantry	Russell	
Bibb Volunteers (cavalry)	McCall	48
Heard Infantry.	Dont	41
Columbus Guards	Thombook	44
Columbus Guards Muscogee Drafted Muscogee Cadet Rifeman	Orlander	62
Muscogee Cadet Bisomen	Coleman	67
Muscorge Autilland	Evans	70
Troup Drownd	loxey.	\dots 52
Muscogee Cadet Riflemen. Muscogee Artillery. Troup Drafted. Morgan Volunteers	Hardin	95
Morgan Volunteers. Taliafarro do	Porter	61
Taliafarro do.	Sanford	78
Laurens do.	Troup	56
Laurens do. Marion Drafted. Meriwether Drafted.	Berry	50
Meriwether Drafted.	Sloan	
Meriwether Drafted. Troup Cavalry Gwinnett do.	Kendrick	79
Gwinnett do. Upson Drafted	Read	10
Upson Drafted Baldwin Cavalry	Rell	01
	Gaither	67
Henry do.	Love	54
Henry Infantos	Dobase	66
Butts Drafted. Oglethorpe Volunteers. Coweta	Donalai da	71
Oglethorne Volunteors	neliaricks	73
Coweta do. Pulaski Drafted. Greene Volunteers	Hiii	102
Pulagki Drofted	Anderson	87
Greene Voluntains	Hodges	32
Greene Volunteers Wilkes do. Clarke do. Twiggs do. Covington Blues Newton Greys.	Dawson	102
Thinks do	Toombs	60
Tertage 00.	Ligon	100
T MIRRS (10)	Pearson	88
Covington Blues	Floyd	
Newton Greys. Wilkinson do.	Lovd	100
Wilkinson do.	Barney	100
PRO1		60

The Enquirer of June gives the following account of an attack on the steamer Metamora early in that month:

On Saturday an attack was made on the steamer Metamora, Loyd, Captain, which at that time contained the following companies, viz: Captain Booth's company, Pike Guards, from Alabama; Captain

liamson, at prices varying from \$4 to \$7 50 per year, aggregating \$22 per year—showing that the fisheries were then a good source of revenue.

INCIDENTS.

The Columbus Sentinel of Feb. 26th, reports the killing of Mr. James Hill, confectioner of Columbus, by a Mrs. Berry, living a few miles from the city, where Mr. H. and a friend stopped and asked the woman to lend them a tumbler from which to drink some champagne which they had along. She refused, and a quarrel ensued between Hill and her, resulting in his shooting into the upper part of the door, and her shooting him with a shot gun. Hill's body was interred with Masonic honors.

Columbus and Macon were disputing as to which was the best cotton market. The quotations were 15 to 15½c. in February, and 18c. in March.

The Farmer's Bank of Chattahoochee was "resuscitated" in March, the stock having been purchased by J. S. Calhoun, and others; Judge Calhoun, President, Chas. Bass, Cashier.

The steamer Ohioan was burned on the Chattahoochee, eight miles below Ocheesee, early in May. She was freighted with merchandise for Columbus. One servant girl was lost. The boat had fifteen passengers, who escaped. Boat and cargo were valued at \$25,000. She was owned principally in Mobile.

Jim Henry was confined in the jail of Russell county, and the grand jury found a true bill against him for negro stealing, the punishment of which was death. His counsel succeeded in changing the venue to another county. The following Indians were convicted at the fall term of Russell Circuit Court: Chilancha, alias John, for the murder of Fannin, Tuscoona Fixico and four others for the murder of Green, the stage driver. They were sentenced to be hung on the 25th of November. Four others were detained in Russell jail, to be tried at the next term. The six condemned In-

dians, mentioned above, were hung at the appointed time in Girard.

The first bale of new cotton, this year, was received at Columbus on the 23d of August, from the plantation of M. R. Evans, and sold by auction at 41½ cents per pound. The prevailing price in the "interior" markets at that time was 16½ to 17c. The Macon Messenger doubted the fairness of this sale, and suggested that cotton was bought in Columbus as land was sometimes—"by paying a high price for it, and then receiving part of the money back again."

Early in November of this year, about two-thirds of the town of Girard, opposite Columbus, was sold, and brought, in the aggregate, about \$70,000,—a sum showing that the hope of building up a commercial rival to Columbus was then strong. The area of Girard laid out into town lots was about one mile square.

PERSONAL.

At the October election, Lawhon was elected Senator, and Flournoy and Holland Representatives of Muscogee county.

Judge Eli S. Shorter, one of the most gifted lawyers in Georgia, died in Columbus on the 13th of December.

The Mcthodist Conference was held in Columbus in December, and the ministers were hospitably entertained by the citizens. George A. Chappell was appointed Presiding Elder of the Columbus District, and L. Pierce stationed minister at Columbus.

The following list of licenses granted by the town authorities for the years 1836-7, gives the names of many of the business men of Columbus at that time:

Dray.—R. P. Spencer, A. B. Baker, E. L. Wittich, Seaborn Jones, Charles E. Mims, E. W. Starr, Philip T. Schley, A. K. Ayer, Walter T. Colquitt, Elijah Rosson, Joseph Bender, M. R. Evans, John S. Allen, John T. Walker, John Code, T. G. Atwood, Allen J. Mims, E. S. Greenwood, Sam'l B. Thomas, Edward Featherston, R. S. Hardaway, S. A. Bailey, Geo. W. Ross, Wm. P. Yonge, John Dillingham, Lovick Pierce, Johnson & Way, Mathew Robertson, Elisha Reid, Albert G. Beckham, George Grieve, James Montgomery, John Southern,

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Joseph Jefferson, William Nelms, W. S. Holstead, S. R. Bonner, Toney & Rutherford, Clarke, Tarver & Co., J. T. Niles, T. Pitkin, James R. Butts, R. A. Were.

Retail.-John Johnson, Daniel C. Rarl, I. B. Millen, B. Ferguson, A. Calhoun, F. Riba, Welch & Myrich, Thos. McCantz, C. Norman, Andrew Southmayd, Mims & Ridenhour, G. B. Terry, Geo. Grieve, John N. Copeland, A. P. Jones, Nathaniel Trotter, Daniel J. Reese, Samuel Lytle, S. J. Herron, J. H. Ware, Jacob Williams, Paul H. Tiller, James Kivlin, Wicks & Bize, A. C. Hill, E. D. Nichols, J. B. McFarland, Wm. Walling, John C. Mangham, John Logan, Western Harwell, J. Rousseau & Co., John Whitesides, Wm. H. Fields, Sam'l Owens, Turner Williams.

Auction.—Bethune & Holland, Hayward & Ayer, J. T. Niles & Co.,

S. K. Hodges & Co., R. Hooper.
The large number of dray licenses is sufficient evidence of a brisk and extensive commercial business.

We suppose that the large number of retail licenses is accounted for by the presence of so many soldiers and other strangers during a portion of the year. Probably it was only during this period that many of the persons named above did business in Columbus.

1837.

The Situation After the War.

This was a year of panic and general bank suspension throughout the United States. Business of every kind was crippled, and commercial failures became so common as to create but little surprise when even the largest and apparently strongest houses "went by the board." Columbus was of course affected by the general depression, and was not exempt from the failures so prevalent elsewhere. But the clearing out of the Indians from the adjacent territory in Alabama and the certainty of its early opening to a large white settle-

ment, brought many prospectors and speculators, who thronged the city as the most convenient standpoint for their explorations and operations. There were thousands of them in Columbus during the year; the hotels were generally crowded; there was demand for all the varied commodities which such a movement required; and trade acquired an activity that would otherwise have been wanting. We are not surprised to find, after the stirring events of 1836, the names of many new settlers and business houses.

The City Government for this year was constituted as follows: Mayor, J. S. Calhoun; Aldermen, S. R. Andrews, E. S. Norton, T. G. Gordon, T. C. Evans, S. R. Bonner, Asa Bates; City Clerk, M. N. Clark; Treasurer, John Bethune; Marshal, M. C. Robinson; Clerk of the Market, Bartley Weeks; Sexton, Thos. Ashley; Bridge Keeper, Wm. Gilbert.

Reports of occasional depredations in Eastern Alabama, by bands of predatory Indians, still caused some excitement, but they did not threaten Columbus, nor were the citizens of Columbus called on to aid in their capture.

The improvement of the Chattahoochee above Columbus was still a question before the people; and some deeming the opening of the river impracticable, advocated the building of a railroad to West Point. So it appears that for over forty years Columbus has been "hammering away" in the effort to secure the trade of the upper river counties by improved commercial facilities, and has not yet completed the links.

The Episcopal Church was completed this year, and opened to public worship in June. The pews were rented for the aggregate sum of \$3,100.

From the Enquirer of October 26th:

"Our city seems to be reviving. Some activity and life has been exhibited in business circles this week. The health of the place is almost unparalleled in its history, nothing like bilious or malignant fever being known among our citizens. We are in hopes that times are getting better and money matters growing easier. This hope is strengthened by the fact that we daily see large numbers of strangers going West to purchase land and find new homes. The Oglethorpe Warehouse & Commission.—G. W. Ross & Co., Augustus Haywood. Taylors.—McDaniel & Wilhelm.

Hotel-Keepers.—S. J. Herron, Calhoun & Bass, Wm. P. McKeen.
Doctors.—Holt & Persons, Thomas J. Bugg, Boon Sewell, J. Ellis,
H. W. Hill.

Lawyers.—Haralson & Lewis, Colquitt, Holt & Echols, John & James Bethune.

Teachers .-- Mrs. Tally, Charles H. LaHatt, Mrs. Leigh.

Dentists .- O. P. Laird.

Auctioneers.-R. Hooper, S. M. Jackson.

MARRIAGES.

June 12.-John C. Gray and Miss Sarah Reid.

Feb. 23.—Capt. Sol. W. Munk and Miss Alsey Purson; Dr. George B. Mackey and Miss Margaret White.

April 15.—Lewis Livingston and Miss Elizabeth R. Bass.

May 9.—Charles L. Bass and Miss Rebecca M. Fluker.

At Lousta, on Miccosuka Lake, Dr. John E. Bacon and Miss Clementina Alston.

July 12.-G. B. Phole and Miss Susan M. Crenshaw.

Aug. 24.-W. H. Owens and Miss Emily R. Vason.

At Dahlonega, Sept 1st., Dr. John A. Urquhart and Miss Mary Jane Shorter.

In Harris County, Nov. 21st, John A. Bilbre, of Columbus, and Miss Ann L. Rutledge.

Nov. 30.—Augustus Lawrence and Miss Elenora McCall; Daniel T. Driggers and Miss Frances Colson.

In Talbot, Dec. 5th, H. F. Wimberly, of Columbus, and Miss Anna C. Wood.

DEATHS.

Jan. 12.—David C. Griggs.

May 30.-Mrs. Ellen Emeline Walker.

June 27.—Mrs. Winnifred, consort of Wiley Williams.

July 6.—Henry L. Richardson.

Aug. 10.-Robt. A. Jones.

Aug. 2.-Mrs. Elizabeth R., consort of Dr. H. A. Thornton.

Sept. 23.—Alfred Smith, a native of New York.

Sept. 24.—Mrs. Elizabeth S., consort of Thos. C. McKeen.

Sept. 28.-Miss Clara Cornelia Harden.

Oct. 24.—Mrs. Sarah Jane Redmon.

1838.

A Year of Steady Business—Factories and Rail Roads on Paper, &c., &c.

We find but little evidence of material change in the business or population of the city this year. The cotton trade was considerable and of growing proportions, and the movement for the settlement of the contiguous territory in Alabama still contributed to the improvement of business.

The first election under the amended charter, dividing the city into six wards, was held on the first Saturday in January this year, and resulted in the choice of the following gentlemen—the elections for Aldermen being made by each ward separately: Mayor, Jas. S. Calhoun; Aldermen—1st Ward—Hiram Read, R. Hooper; 2d Ward—H. S. Smith, S. R. Andrews; 3d Ward—J. L. Lewis, Wiley Williams; 4th Ward—A. B. Davis, R. A. Ware; 5th Ward—W. S. Chipley, L. C. Allen; 6th Ward—M. Brooks, George C. Hodges. At the first meeting of this Council the following appointments were made: Attorney, A. Lawhon; Marshal, N. M. C. Robinson; Treasurer, John Bethune; Clerk, J. L. Roberts; Bridgekeeper, W. Gilbert; Sexton, Wm. Gehee; Health Officer, W. K. Schley.

The citizens in January requested the banks of the city to suspend specie payments—the banks of the country generally being in suspension. The Bank of Columbus suspended in accordance with this suggestion, but resumed before the year was out. The Insurance Bank would not suspend. The Planters' and Mechanics' Bank went into operation this year—Gen. D. McDougald, President; Directors—D. McDougald, H. S. Smith, M. W. Perry, Hiram Read, W. B. Ector, Thomas Berry, John Banks. A. B. Rozan was Cashier, and M. Robertson, Book-keeper.

In April the steamboat DeFlore, on her way to Columbus, sunk below Fort Gaines.

An event which shocked the city, on the 30th of May, was the suicide of Mr. E. Sigourney Norton, mentioned in preceding pages. He cut his throat with a razor—being, it was supposed, under the influence of liquor.

It was announced on the 14th of June that the Enquirer would thereafter be published by Flournoy, Marks & Chapman.

A young man named Kernin was drowned, in June, in the river opposite the city.

The receipts of cotton from September 1st, 1837, to June 14, 1838, were 42,453 bales.

The 4th of July was celebrated with the usual spirit. Prayer by Rev. A. T. Mann; Independence Ode by the choir of Trinity Church; Reading by N. L. Howard, Esq.; Oration by J. H. P. Campbell, Esq.

The first bale of new cotton was received on the 23d of August, from the plantation of John Woolfolk, and sold at auction.

A great religious revival in August and September was reported by the *Enquirer*.

By the caving in of a sewer near the market-house, upon which a number of men were at work, one white laborer and two negroes were smothered to death.

A long drought, that had lasted for nearly nine weeks, was broken by rains about the middle of September, but they came too late to save the crops, which were cut very short.

The steamboat Floridian, with a valuable cargo of goods for Columbus, was sunk on the 6th of November about 100 miles above Apalachicola. Loss about \$70,000, not insured.

The "Columbus Cotton Factory" was in active operation this year, spinning cotton yarns and carding wool.

James Van Ness was Postmaster.

James Hitchcock, Monoah D. Robison and R. W. Carese were Justices of the Inferior Court.

The steamboat Irwinton, on her downward trip in May, with two hundred bales of cotton on board, was sunk to prevent her total destruction by fire.

Receipts of cotton from 1st October, 1837, to 1st October, 1838, 42,878 bales. Quotations—for Oct. 1st, 1838, 10½c.; Oct. 11th, 10¾ to 11½c.

The City Treasurer's report, made on the 9th of October, showed the receipts for the 3d quarter of the year \$7,035 96, of which \$3,640 was from the issue of city bills, \$1,930 from the bridge, and \$1,168 91 from taxes. Balance in city treasury, \$6,837.

PERSONAL.

The county officers for this year, elected in January, were—James Bethune, Sheriff; Gerard Burch, Clerk of the Superior Court; Jos. D. McLester, Tax Receiver; B. G. Kenney, Tax Collector; J. E. Lamar, Surveyor; —— Nicholas, Coroner.

J. C. Holland and H. C. Sapp were elected Justices of the Inferior Court in August.

At the October election, J. S. Calhoun was elected State Senator, and Thomas C. Evans and J. H. Howard Representatives.

Hon. Marshall J. Wellborn was Judge of the Chattahoochee Circuit.

Rev. Samuel K. Hodges was P. E. for the Columbus District, and Revs. Thomas Samford and Alfred T. Mann ministers at Columbus.

We notice the names of the following business men for the first time:

Merchants—D. Hungerford, Boon & Walker, Ransom Godwin, and Aaron Odom, Geo. W. Way, James H. Reynolds, P. Meidzielski, Jacob Fogle, W. Wade & Co., Hamilton, Hurd & Co., McKee & Prickett, E. C. Roberts, Conzelman & Anderson, Neill McNair, James Affleck, Yonge & Ellis, J. S. Smith & Co., Alfred & Porter, Wm. R. Jones, G. B. Terry.

Auctioneers—Thos Pullum and R. S. Moore; Bakers—Jones and Crichton; Doctors—Edward Delony, E. T. Taylor, B. Walker; Hotel-Keepers—D. Sullivan, Thomas James, Howard & Lloyd; Dentists—J. B. Hoffman, R. E. Martin; Warehouse and Commission—Wm. P. Yonge; Teachers—Mrs. Seaman, Miss Anderson.

· MARRIAGES.

April 3.—Rev Wm. D. Carnes, Rector of Trinity Church, and Lucy Elizabeth Dillingham.

April 19—In Montgomery, Ala., <u>John E. Davis</u>, of Columbus, and Sarah C. Cropp.

May 15-Col. Hines Holt and Sarah A. C. Perry.

May 23-David Walling and Susannah Beall.

June 3-Joseph E. Webster and Caroline E. Ward.

July 9-Launcelot Gambrill and Ann America Pierce.

July 25-At Brattleboro" Vt., I. C. Plant, of Columbus, and Charlotte Walker.

Aug. 28—In Lincoln county, Ky., Thomas P. Grimes, of Columbus, and Martha D. Lucky.

Oct. 23-At McDonough, Robert L. Moore, of Columbus, and Anna J. Askew.

Nov. 1-Win. L. Lee and Mary Ann Jeter.

Nov. 19-Edward Barnard and Lucy T. Barrow.

Nov. 20-George H. Wynn and Clarissa T. Ormsby.

Dec. 3-Homer Hurd and Miss Angelika L. V. Ruse.

Dec. -- In Hamilton, W. A. Bedell and Sarah Switzer.

Dec. 30—Hezekiah Noble and Frances W. Mulloy; Moses M. Simmons and Eliz. Westmoreland

Oct, 29-Isaac Prall and Jane McKee.

Nov. 1-Geo. Howard and Mary Bagley.

Oct. 21—Lewis Williams and Sophia Taylor.

Oct. 23-Thos. Copeland and Barbary Cooksey.

Dec. 9-Francis Clark and Amanda M. Rodgers.

Dec. 5-Thos. Eubanks and Edna Willis.

Nov. 29-Jos. D. Bethune and Jeanett H. McNair.

Nov. 13-Daniel Rowe and Mary McCall.

Nov. 22-Henry G. Robison and Mary Massey.

Dec. 28-John Fox and Jane Harvell

Sept. 9—Hezekiah Taylor and Mary C. Smith.

Dec. 19-John Sauls and Jane Padgett.

March 18-M. D. Sledge and Deborah McGinty,

Dec. 18-David A. Patrick and Mary Brooks.

Oct. 31—James A. Slaton and Mary A. Watson.

Jan. 7-Wash Blackburn and Sellina Ryalls.

Dec. 25-Alex. McDougald and Frances L. Mitchell.

Oct. 14-Felix Blankenship and Sarah J. Mays.

May 20—Thomas Brady and Sarah McDonald.

Dec. 2-Wm. Painter and Nancy Averett.

Dec. 30-Allen Davenport and Martha A. Hawthorn.

Dec. 27-Alfred T. Mann and E. L. Pierce.

Dec. 12-C. Wiley and Mary Baker.

Dec. 11-James H. Berry and Martha Alldridge.

Oct. 16-Wm. A. Brown and Martha E. Low.

Oct. 11-Claiborn Howard and Eliza Terry.

Oct. 16-John J. B. Hoxey and Sarah Terry.

Nov. 11-James Lochala and Elizabeth Laughflin.

Nov. 21 - J. J. Myers and Susan Wild.

DEATHS.

May 7.-Mrs. Sarah McGehee.

June 15.-Mrs. Matilda Brooks.

July 10.—At Auburn, Ala., W. H. Harper, Esq., formerly of Columbus.

1839.

A Year of Health-Faith in Railroads Weakening.

This was not a year of remarkable events in the history of Columbus. Business appears to have been rather dull, but by no means stagnant. The expectations entertained of the success of the railroad connection with the North—in aid of which the city had so liberally done her part by subscription and the authorized issue of bonds to the amount of \$750,000—grew faint almost to despondency as the year rolled on. The failure of a scheme of railroad connection with Florida, and of the banking institution connected with it, also had a depressing effect. But it was a year remarkable for its health, and its freedom from violent personal collisions and local excitements, such as have been so often noticed in the preceding pages.

The city government of this year, elected on the first Saturday in January, was composed of the following gentlemen:

Mayor—Gen. D. McDougald.

ALDERMEN.—1st. Ward—J. C. Holland, C. L. Bass. 2d Ward—John E. Bacon, Neill NcNair. 3d Ward—Jacob I. Moses, J. L. Lewis. 4th Ward—T. M. Sanders, J. W. Watson. 5th Ward—Lewis C. Allen, James Kirvin. 6th Ward—Jos. Sturgis, Martin Brooks.

soon reconsidered and the contract system again adopted, with the above named exceptions.

THE COTTON MARKET.

The Treasurer was instructed to issue \$20,000 City money, in small notes, to furnish change, and afterwards \$525 was paid for the engraving of the notes.

Among other measures of retrenchment proposed was one to dispense with the use of lamps for the year, which only failed by the casting vote of the Mayor, at the meeting on the the 8th of February, was adopted at the meeting on the 19th of the same month, and again reconsidered on the 22d.

The Committee on City Improvements reported that they had not the means of ascertaining the practicability of introducing water into the City, and the finances of the City would not then allow it, though desirable. Adopted.

The county authorities of Russell county, Ala., had assessed the one acre lot in Girard, on which the western abutment of the bridge rested, at \$10,000, and taxed it accordingly. A committee of Council, in March, reported that Russell county had a right to make this assessment, but the courts had a right to revise it, and recommended an appeal to the courts. Adopted.

Cotton opened in January at 7 to 7½ cents, with large receipts, and freights to Apalachicola \$2.50 per bale. The price declined during the spring and summer, but advanced again in the fall, when it became apparent that the crop would be smaller than was anticipated. We find it quoted in November at from 8 to 9 cents, and the last quotation in December is from 7 to 9c. The *Enquirer*, on the 28th of April, estimated the receipts of Columbus up to that time, since the 1st of September, 1839, at 50,000 bales, but it had no actual returns. This was fully double the amount that had been received the preceding year to same date.

The first notice of the appearance of the cotton caterpillar, which we have found in our examination of the Columbus papers, is during this year. The destruction by them was

very great. Their appearance was first reported on the 26th of August.

The first bale of new cotton was received on the 24th of August. It was grown by Newton Freeman, of Russell county, Ala., and sold at 8\frac{3}{4}c.

The Sexton reported interments in the city cemetery from the 1st of January to the 1st of April, 3; from 1st June to 1st July, 7.

On the 12th September A. B. Ragan was elected an Alderman for the Franklin ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of John C. Austin.

On the 10th of October, the committee appointed for that purpose by the Council, reported that they had, in co-operation with a similar committee appointed by the county authorities, examined the new Court-house built by Messrs. John and Wells Godwin, contractors, and had approved and accepted the same. Subsequently the claim of Messrs. Godwin for extra pay for work not included in the contract was submitted to arbitration, and the sum of \$6,000 awarded to them for such extra work.

INCIDENTS.

A man named Goodwin was killed in Columbus, on the 7th of April, by one Caldwell, of Girard. He shot Goodwin while the latter was attempting to escape arrest by an officer.

A man named Moody, who had been in the City but a short time and of whom but little was known, committed suicide near the cemetery in April.

On the 27th of June, William Alexander, eldest son of Dr. A. H. Flewellen, was drowned in the Chattahoochee.

Girard, this year, had a postoffice and a newspaper. W. B. Harris, Esq., was Postmaster. The paper was called the *Alabama State Register*, and was edited by Benj. Gardner.

At the 4th of July celebration, Dr. L. Pierce offered prayer, Dr. J. B. Hoxey read the Declaration, and N. L. Howard, Esq., delivered the oration. Col. A. K. Ayer was Marshal of the day.

Freeman, William Morman, carpenters: Nathan Gray, bookbinder: V. S. Townsley, blacksmith: Jas. Terry, F. A. Bosworth, carpenters: John F. Bosworth, printer: James Sullivan, Silas McMichael, carpenters; J. Haller, carriage maker; B. Pricket, do.: J. M. Mc-Duffie, painter: Randal McNeil, do.: J. M. McClesky, cabinet maker: Jno. N. Harris, carpenter: J. M. Hogan, carpenter: Larkin Farr, cooper: Wm. Reid, carriage maker: R. T. Marks, painter: E. H. Day, printer: Chas, Rule, plasterer: Moses Garrett, painter: Jos. Jepson, carpenter: J. J. Ballinger, carriage trimmer: Wm. A. Piggatt, carpenter; G. A. Dill, do.; J. R. Young, do.: T. R. Herrindine, do.: Francis Terry, do.: T. P. Noblett, do.: Hervey Crews. do.: Jno. Partridge, do.; Benj. Buell, painter; N. G. Smith, wagon maker: Jas. Rosseau, do.: Wm. Pride, bricklaver: Beni, Jepson, brickmaker: J. B. Strupper, candy maker: T. Reid, gun maker (best gun maker in the United States); J. L. Holmes, carpenter; J. S. Williams, engineer; W. C. Clapp, tinner; J. C. Alston, Horace Clapp, R. McNeil, P. K. Edgar, S. R. Andrews, J. S. Walton, A. L. Alfred, James Reid, carpenters; W. B. Robinson, bricklayer; Jno. Griffin Thweatt, L. Denigin, printers; George Smith, plasterer; B. G. Kenneth, carpenter.

The resolutions were subsequently signed by the following: Wagonmakers—George C., and R. and Richard Yarbrough, William M. Martin, William Holt, Randal Moore, Enoch Dudley; engineer—Robert Kelly; brickmakers—Aaron Ferguson, Burnet Ingram, Stephen Lewis, Wm Salisbury, John Rounds; tailors—Blake Robinson, Henry Mathews; upholsterer—Wm. Green; carpenters—D. W. Broom, Thos. Miles, L. Jepson, Jos. Moorefield, Dan'l Sauls, Hiram Howard, Hugh McCall, W. S. Holstead, Edward Acee, N. Terry, Wiley Adams, J. D. Harley, D. J. Rees, Thos. Jepson, R. C. Patterson, W. B. Holtzclaw, T. W. Bowen, G. B. C. Terry, Richard Burt; blacksmith—J. Roberts; shoemaker—Jno. Mott, Jas. Shaw; cabinet makers—J. M. Morgan, John May; silversmith—Jacob Fogle; millright—J. J. Purnell; saddler—H. Middlebrook; printer—T. C. Connoly.

So at that time Columbus had 73 white carpenters, 15 blacksmiths, 19 brickmakers and layers, 8 engineers, 14 tailors, &c.—all of the Harrison party.

Hon. M. J. Wellborn was Judge of the Superior Court, and John H. Watson Solicitor.

The grand jurors on October 17th were: Thomas Berry (foreman,) James M. Chambers, William Clark, James C. Cook, Alfred O. Blackmar, John Johnson, David Hudson, Anderson Hunt, John G. Hitchcock, Micajah W. Thweatt,

William H. Kimbrough, Robert A. Ware, William Y. Barden, Eldridge S. Greenwood, Thos. J. Shivers, Walter H. Weems, George W. Turrentine, John Peabody.

MARRIAGES.

FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.

March 26-James McDuffie and Susan Kent, of Girard.

April 15-In Barnwell, S. C., S. T. Chapman, of Columbus, and Cornelia Isabella Dick.

June 7-George E. Sherwood and Martha W. Spencer.

June 16—James L. Stockton, of Tennessee, and Eliza J. Wimberly. June 30—John A. Norton and Mary A. E. Sturgis.

Sept. 10—Chester G. Holmes, of Apalachicola, and Eugenia, daughter of Col. W. H. Harper.

We find on the Record of 1839 and on, some marriages recorded which took place before the Records were destroyed in the burning of the Court House in October, 1838. They are inserted here as matters of interest, not having been discovered till the previous years had passed through the press.

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March 1-James S. Moore and Martha M. Tarver.

April 23—Ephraim C. Baudy and Mariah E. Burnes; Richard Hooper and Louisa P. Shivers.

May 10—Larkin Farr and Martha Wilks. May 14, John S. Bell and Charlotte Craige.

Nov. 19 -Benjamin Wells and Louisa Curtis. 1837.

March 10-James L. DeLaney and Margaret J. Brewer.

Aug. 2-John Johnson and Hannah Briggs.

Oct. 25—James D. Johnson and Eliza Daily.

Jan. 16-James M. Watt and Treacy McCrary.

March 15-Frances Fayerwether and Mary J. Moore.

June 7-Hero Tapper and Clarissa Evans.

Sept. 29-John Fagen and Eliza Anderson.

May 16-John B. Dozier and Emily E. Huff.

Nov. 28—Wm. M. Clemmons and Elizabeth Phillips. 1840.

Jan. 2—Wm. Lain and Mary A. M. Morris; Andrew J. Baggett and Elizabeth Cook; Wiley Weaver and Eliza Fontaine. Jan. 9, W. H. Howard and Harriet Howard; William Powers and Margaret

them. Whether, if the bonds had been issued and made available, the company would have been able to prosecute the work, or whether the proceeds would have been profitlessly used in the general derangement of the finances of the country, is a question we will not undertake to decide. But certain it is that an enterprise of great sagacity in its conception, and one promising almost incalculable benefits to Columbus, failed with the Chattahoochee Railroad and Banking Company.

At the election held on the first Saturday in January, the following municipal officers were chosen:

Mayor-John L. Lewis.

Aldermen—1st Ward, Thos. Morris and J. B. Green; 2d, Thos. Berry and a tie between Dr. Hoxey and B. B. Morrell (G. W. E. Bedell was subsequently elected—Dr. Hoxey declining;) 3d, Wiley Williams and J. B. Howard; 4th, R. A. Ware and John Quin; 5th, J. D, Howell and J. L. Morton; 6th, Joseph Sturges and A. J. Abbott.

The following city officers were elected by the Council:

Wm. A. Douglass, Clerk; N. M. C. Robinson, Marshal; John Bethune, Treasurer; Richard Gray, Bridge-Keeper; Hugh McDonald. Deputy Marshal; J. J. B. Hoxey, City Physician; V. S. Townsley, Clerk of the Market; Wm. Rabon Shivers, City Attorney; Thomas W. Dutton, Sexton; R. N. R. Bardwell, Neill McNair, Jacob Barrow, George W. Martin and Horatio Smith, Port Wardens.

It would appear that there was a tie between the friends of Harrison and Van Buren, respectively, as the result of the regular election—6 to 6—and at its first meeting Council could not elect city officers because of this equal division. The special election in the 2d Ward resulted in the choice of Mr. Bedell, the Harrison candidate, giving his party seven votes in the Board; and at the second meeting of Council, on the 9th of January, the above named officers were elected.

Mrs. Cassy Ann McGehee was Superintendent of the Hospital.

Council adopted a resolution, in January, asking Congress to make Columbus a port of entry.

Dr. Wm. S. Chipley was President, and Dr. E. T. Taylor, Dr. Wm. K. Schley, Dr. J. J. Boswell, Dr. A. J. Pond, Lewis

C. Allen and Lawrence Fields members of the Board of Health.

The Bridge-keeper, this year, was instructed to have tickets prepared for tolls, and to furnish them to persons purchasing \$5 worth or more at 25 per cent. discount.

Fire Wardens this year—Byrd F. Robinson, Benj. Coleman, Wm. R. Bell.

In March, the Board of Directors of the Chattahoochee Railroad and Banking Company proposed that the city should withdraw its subscription to the stock of the company; and in May the city accepted this propostion, receiving back its bonds (which had not been negotiated) and its mortgage on the Bridge then destroyed.

LOSS OF THE BRIDGE.

On the 11th of March of this year the city sustained a great pecuniary loss in the destruction of the bridge by what was termed the "Harrison Freshet." The Enquirer of the 17th of that month, gives but a short account of this disaster. It says that on Tuesday evening of the week previous, rain commenced descending and continued to fall in torrents for forty-eight hours, with slight intermissions. The city looked like it was built on a lake. On Wednesday the Chattahoochee began to rise rapidly. The falls and rapids disappeared, and the turbid waters swept on their course. Whole trunks of trees with their roots entire were borne on the current. It had already risen within a few feet "of our noble bridge" when a portion of the no less costly bridge at the factory, a few miles above, was seen descending the stream. It was caught, as it swung around in an eddy, by citizens, and anchored to a tree. The weather-boarding was knocked off the city bridge to save it. The river continued to rise Wednesday night and Thursday at daybreak one end of the structure floated off the pier and dropped down the river, and "never was there a more majestic sight than the departure of that noble bridge on its remarkable voyage." Several parties valked across it a short time before it was gone. The

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river was then flowing over the flooring. The stage had just reached the Girard side—having passed over—when the bridge floated off. Its course, after leaving the piers, was uninterrupted until it reached Woolfolk's plantation, eight miles below, where it took up new moorings in the centre of a large cotton field, on which the river had never before been known to encroach. It was caught and made fast by Col. Woolfolk and his hands.

The destruction of the bridge was announced to Council at a called meeting, held on the 11th of March, and the Board instructed a committee to make a contract at once for the construction of two flats for temporary ferriage.

Council also adopted a resolution thanking a number of gentlemen for their exertions to save the bridge.

At the meeting of Council on the 27th of March, propositions were submitted for re-building the bridge by the following persons, at the prices named: Joseph Davidson, \$15,500; Asa Bates, \$15,000; John Bell, \$14,800; David Wright, \$13,000; P. H. Nolan, \$16,000; John Godwin, \$15,100. None of these parties proposed to include insurance, except Mr. Godwin, and his bid was accepted, not only on this account, but because he named the earliest time for the completion of the bridge. He was to have it ready for crossing by the 20th July.

In March, Philip A. Clayton was elected an Alderman for the 4th Ward, to fill a vacancy occasioned by the removal of Alderman Ware from the ward; and in May Stephen G. Wells was elected an Alderman of the St. Clair Ward, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Ald. Howard.

At its meeting on the 29th of June the Board adopted an ordinance authorizing the lease of some and sale of other alternate water lots on the river to persons who would contract to make available the water power connected with them, by means of a dam and a race or canal, &c.; and Josephus Echols having agreed to the terms of the ordinance, he was allowed

until the first of October to complete his agreement, by bond, &c.

The contract for the sale of the water lots, heretofore uniformally agreed upon, was consummated on the 22d of December, 1841, between the Mayor and Aldermen of the one part and John H. Howard and Josephus Echols of the other part. The river front, west of Bay street, from Franklin street on the north to Crawford street on the south, was laid off by John Bethune, surveyor, in 37 water lots, each lot 72 feet wide. Every alternate lot, being the even numbers from 2 to 36 inclusive, were conveyed in fee simple to Messrs. Howard and Echols, in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars cash, and on the condition that they should construct a dam across the river and a safe and well constructed canal or race, so as to allow a sufficient head at low water along all the lots, and to keep the dam and race forever in good repair—the dam and race to be commenced within one year from the 30th day of June, 1841, (the date of the bond made by Messrs. Howard and Echols,) to be made available for machinery on lot No. 1 within twenty-seven months, and be completed within five years.

A powder magazine, previously contracted for, having been finished by J. R. Yonge, was accepted by Council in June.

At this time a line of stages ran from Columbus, via Tuskegee, to Franklin, on the Montgomery and West Point Railroad. Columbus also had connection with the Georgia Railroad by a line of stages.

Mr. Godwin had the bridge ready for crossing in July, as per contract, and it was so reported to Council on the 21st of that month. An order for the discontinuance of the ferry was then adopted. Council received the bridge on the 23d of November, though it was not entirely completed at that time.

In August, Willis S. Holstead was elected an Alderman of the 2d Ward, in the place of Alderman Bedell, resigned. The Powder Magazine was completed this year, accepted by Council, and R. Gray appointed keeper.

INCIDENTS.

The controversy between the city authorities and Dr. S. M. Ingersoll, in reference to the dam across the river constructed by Dr. I., commenced this year. A committee was appointed in December to inquire as to the right of Dr. Ingersoll to build the dam, and whether it was not the cause of the river banks washing away. The committee reported that he had no right to build the dam, and that it was in part the cause of the washing of the banks. They reported in favor of the completion of a breakwater on the Columbus side, then being built by Mr. Godwin, also that the Marshal erect a dam across the wash immediately above the bridge. Adopted.

INCIDENTS.

The Banks in Columbus resumed specie payment in February, as required by an act of the Legislature, but the resumption proved to be of short duration; for they suspended again in March, and in June the Chattahoochee Railroad and Banking Company, of Columbus, closed doors, and H. T. Greenwood protested certain bills of the Columbus Bank to the Governor. A committee was afterwards appointed to examine into the condition of the Chattahoochee Railroad and Banking Company. The bank had in circulation \$200,000 of bills, and owned 6,000 bales of cotton, well covered by advances. We judge from editorial remarks that the Stockholders drew out their capital stock, \$141,000, before the failure. The Directors afterwards appointed, as trustees, John Bethune, Wm. P. Yonge, and Van Leonard. L. Gambrill was Cashier.

The first new bale of cotton of the season was received on August 21st, from Jas. M. Pruitt, of Russell county, Alabama. It was sold at auction by Smith, Beattie & Co., to Lewis Livingston, at twelve cents, in Central Bank bills, and stored at Wm. P. Yonge's warehouse.

The Muscogee Insurance Company was in operation this year—Directors, John Warren, G. E. Thomas, E. S. Green-

wood, John Peabody, T. B. Howard, Kennith McKenzie. President, John Banks; Secretary, Matt. R. Evans.

Among the institutions of Columbus this year was the "Hibernian Benevolent Society," of which John Quin was President. Another was the "St. Andrew's Society," John Bethune President, and Chas. Wise Secretary.

PERSONAL.

The Justices of the Inferior Court of Muscogee, elected this year, were Messrs. Wm. H. Mitchell, Jas. M. Chambers, Wiley Williams, S. A. Bailey and H. C. Sapp; Tax Collector, T. A. Brannon; Tax Receiver, J. W. C. Rogers.

At the 4th of July celebration, N. M. C. Robinson was Marshal of the day; prayer by Rev. L. Pierce, reading of the Declaration by Jas. L. Pierce, Esq.; and oration by A. H. Cooper, Esq.

G. W. E. Bedell was Postmaster of Columbus.

In October, Col. A. McDougald was elected Senator, and Van Leonard, John H. Howard, W. T. Colquitt and J. H. Watson Representatives of Muscogee.

Messrs. Bull, Goulding & Co., were proprietors of the Enquirer.

We find these advertisers hitherto unmentioned: John Lloyd, book-keeping teacher; Moses Garrett, window blind and sash factory; James Rousseau, groceries; James T. Eppinger & Co., hats and caps; Wm. R. Shivers, W. P. Sanford & Dowdell, lawyers; W. S. Billing, druggist and physician; Drs. Boswell and Billing, physicians; F. A. Halleter, teacher; W. J. Ellis, school teacher; J. B. Landrum & M. Matthewson, auction and commission business; Hampton S. Smith & Aug. Hayward, warehousemen; Andrew Low & Co., grocers; R. W. B. Munro, principal of the Wynnton Female Academy; G. E. Thomas & L. T. Downing, lawyers; H. W. Nance, grocer; J. A. Dublois, H. T. Hall & F. N. Ruse, warehousemen; Peter McLaren, grocer; G. W. Woodruff & Co., dry goods; J. J. McKendree, J. P.; S. S. Grimes & H. T. Greenwood, grocers.

Rev. W. D. Matthews was Presiding Elder of the Columbus District.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 3—Wm. Champion and Ann Davis. Jan. 7, Isaac Gallups and Martha Pate. Jan. 15, Augustus G. Smith and Martha McCollister. Jan. 17, Benjamin F. Malone and Susan Ann Burch. Jan. 19, Theophilus Bryan and Lavina Weathers. Jan. 20, Richard Jefferson and Rebecca Hays. Jan. 27, Milton Williams and Mary J. Rutherford. Jan. 31, James Ray and Dicy Bryan.

Feb. 4—John D. Carter and Zoononia Hoxie. Feb. 9, Robert H. Yarborough and Margaret P. Burt. Feb. 13, Paton H. Pinckard and Matilda A. Stone. Feb. 16, Matthew J. Parker and Mary A. Mackey. Feb. 18, Henson S. Estes and Martha J. Gray, Jeptha C. Dean and Isabella King. Feb. 25, Thomas P. Sparks and Matilda Brunson, Benjamin Waller and Matilda Putnam.

March 4—Joseph G. King and Sarah N. McNaughton. March 10, Charles P. Henry and Virginia R. Durrum.

April 13—Algernon S. Ealy and Martha A. Pain. April 15, William H. Lamar and Sarah Sanders, John Johnson and Epsey George. April 17, Francis McMurray and Charlotte L. Goulding. April 27, Joseph S. Pruden and Ann J. S. Orr.

May 2—Irvin Watkins and Elizabeth Johnson. May 5, Francis Victury and Jane Rodgers. May 11, James Barnes and Mary Cooper. May 16, John Dimond and Sarah L. Hollenbeck, John Mitchell and Sarah Lunsford. May 18, Calvin Stratton and Henrietta White-May 20, Thomas O'Brian and Jane Evans.

June 1—William Perry and Sarah C. Jones. June S, Josiah M. Kent and Rosella Jemison. June 15, Daniel Johnson and Rebecca McGibbony. June 27, Bartlett T. Dean and Nancy Smith.

July 1—Simeon Bennett and Nancy Perry. July 8, Solomon Bickley and Rebecca J. Culver. July 15, Paton Vincent and Malinda Tharp. July 22, Ansalum L. Lawson and Elizabeth Huguely. July 26, Israel W. Roberts and Hester Willers.

Aug. 1—Bradford Wall and Rachel Posey. Aug. 3, John Simpson and Malinda Phillips. Aug. 19, Turner Peck and Tempa A. Laws.

Sept. 2—Nelson McLester and Phebe B. Kirkland: Sampson Cox and Mary A. Clark. Sept. 9, Duncan Cooksey and Gilly A. Tucker. Sept. 23, Anderson McNeal and Elizabeth Thomas. Sept. 26, James J. Chaffin and Nier Marcrum. Sept. 30, Miller H. White and Sarah T. Bennett.

Oct. 4—Hilliard S. Newby and Mary Gray. Oct. 14, Abner G. Coates and Cynthia Huguley. Oct. 17, F. Mc. M. Marks and Adaline A. E. Reed. Oct. 19, Joel C. Wiggins and Martha M. Russell. Oct. 27, Wm. S. Culver and Mary K. Archer.

Nov. 10—James II. Wilson and Charlotte Kelley. Nov. 16, Christopher Chambliss and Amanda M. Edwards, Alexander Dent and Martha Weddington. Nov. 18, James M. Harris and Martha Ray, B. P. Rogers and Sarah A. Underwood. Nov. 23, Bennett M. Raiford and Mary Jane Kent. Nov. 25, Tillman D. West and Caroline Pickard.

Dec. 7—William Iverson and Haney Ann Dawkins, Lewis T. Wimberly and Hannah Pitts, John C. Brassill and Elizabeth Minyard. Dec. 14, Franklin A. Nisbet and Arabella Alexander. Dec. 21, Chas. B. Smith and Martha A. Adams. Dec. 23, John Tillery and Rebecca Powers. Dec. 24, Archibald Armstrong and Louisa Prosser. Dec. 28, Abraham W. Mann and Sarah A. Wilkes. Dec. 29, James Cummings and Jennimah Hays. Dec. 30, William B. Wilkes and Permelia Johnson.

DEATHS.

March 24-David Golightly, Esq.

May 15-Thomas, Son of William and Lucinda Salisbury.

May 27-Mrs. Mary Matilda, wife of W. W. Garrard.

July 10-Benjamin B. Morrell.

July 14-Maria, daughter of Samuel K. Hodges.

July 16-In Greensboro', Mrs. Anna V., wife of James S. Calhoun, Esq., of Columbus.

Aug. 6-Mrs. Caroline McGehee, wife of Samuel W. McGehee, of Barbour County, Ala.

Sept. 5-Mrs. Winnifred Bivins, wife of M. L. Bivins.

Oct. 4-William Gilbert.

Oct. 31—George Smith, a native of Scotland.

There were 53 deaths of white persons in the City this year, of whom 28 were adults, and 25 children. But the above are all the names we can find in the records before us.

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The First Great Fire—Council refuses to have Fire Engines— Hard up for Cash—Sale of Water Lots, and Stipulations for Cotton Factories.

At the municipal election held on the first Saturday in January, there was a tie between John L. Lewis and Dr. W. S. Chipley, candidates for Mayor, and the following gentlemen were elected Aldermen:

1st Ward—Thomas Berry, Francis N. Ruse; 2d, Thos. Morris, Edward Barnard; 3d, N. L. Howard, S. G. Wells; 4th, <u>John Quin</u>, Thomas Everett; 5th, John D. Howell, Joseph L. Morton; 6th, Joseph Sturgis, A. J. Abbott.

At a special election held on the 15th of January, John L. Lewis was elected Mayor, by a majority of 30 votes over his opponent Dr. Chipley.

The following city officers were elected by the Council:

Michael N. Clarke, Clerk, salary \$600; Nat. M. C. Robinson, Marshal, salary \$1,000; James M. Hughes, Deputy Marshal, salary \$600; John Bethune, Treasurer, salary \$800; Richard Gray, Bridge-Keeper, salary \$600; John J. B. Hozey, City Physician, salary \$200; Victor N. Townsley, Clerk of the Market, salary \$250; Daniel G. Sauls, Sexton; John Magner, Hospital Keeper.

The City Guard, consisting of 12, was chosen, as follows: James D. Wilkenson, Augustus A. Dill, Francis Madden, Benj. F. Coleman, John Sullivan, William H. Thompson, Simeon Guthrie, William R. Bradford, David J. Barber, William N. Jackson, Hugh McDonald and John G. Bunnell.

Dr. Wm. S. Chipley was elected President of the Board of Health, and the following gentlemen chosen members of the Board: Dr. Anderson Hunt, Dr. A. I. Robison, Dr. Wm. K. Schley, Richard Sammis, Alex McDougald, Ephraim C. Bandy.

Port Wardens elected—Seymour R. Bonner, Jacob Barrow, Frederick Toby, R. N. R. Bardwell and H. T. Hall.

John M. Bethune was elected City Attorney.

The principal city taxes levied this year, in accordance with an act passed by the Legislature on the 10th of December, 1841, were the following: On all white males between 21 and 60 years, in commutation of patrol duty, \$1; on all free persons of color between same ages, \$6; on every \$100 worth of town property, or stock in trade, or capital employed by brokers, exchange merchants, banks, insurance or trust companies, or due by note, or of any other property not otherwise taxed, 25cts.; lawyers, physicians, factors or brokers, \$4.

The city and county authorities agreed, in February, upon a plan for improving the public square, by planting ornamental trees, &c., the city and county to share the expense equally.

In March, Willis S. Holstead was elected an alderman of the 2d ward, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Edward Barnard.

Several citizens of the 4th ward petitioned council, in March, for the abatement of "a nuisance," viz: an iron foundry erected in that ward. This petition was referred to a committee of council, who reported against the abatement of the foundry as a nuisance.

On Tuesday night, March 15th, Columbus had a big fire. It originated in a frame building, west side of Broad street, occupied by Rosscau & Choate, as a grocery and dry goods store. That was destroyed; Wm. Amos' two-story wooden building, occupied below by Mr. Abbott, as a grocery store, and Mr. Amos above; Peter Crichton's confectionary and bakery; Wells & Hudgin's dry goods and grocery store; Col. S. Jones' two-story brick building on the corner occupied by Estes & Illges, grocery, Moore & Hodges, and McGough & Crews, dry goods (this was blown up); Mr. Hargrave's brick building, occupied by Boswell & Billing, druggists (this was

blown up); Mr. Hargrave's two-story brick building, occupied by Mulford & Adams, dry goods. The clothing store of Geo. C. Sherwood was also blown up. The market house and range below were saved by blowing up houses. Two small buildings and the residence of A. K. Ayer, on Front street, were blown up. The fire was on the west side of Broad between Randolph and St. Clair streets. The city had not a single fire engine. The following losses are reported: Col. S. Jones' building, \$7,000; Ayer's \$2,000; Geo. Hargrave's (two houses), \$8,000; Lock's \$2,000; Crichton and Locks, \$3,000 each; Geo. C. Sherwood, \$2,000; Wells & Hudgins, and Rosseau & Choate, \$10,000 each; McGough & Crews, and Mulford & Adams, \$8,000 each; Moore & Hodges, \$2,000; Estes & Illges, \$5,000; Abbott, \$5,000; Boswell & Billing \$6,000. Total loss \$100,000—little insurance. G. R. Hurlburt, Professor of music, was injured badly by an explosion, and died from the effects.

FIRE ENGINES.

The origin of this fire was a mystery. Some persons entertained the suspicion that Messrs. Rosseau & Choate fired their own store for the purpose of obtaining the insurance, which was large. But a committee of Council, appointed to investigate the matter, made a report fully exculpating them, and stating facts which showed the suspicion to be unreasonable and unjust. The committee also reported that the house was undoubtedly set on fire intentionally, and Council offered a reward of \$500 for the detection and apprehension of the incendiary. This fire also aroused the citizens to the necessity of better safeguards against such disasters, and caused a rigid investigation for the detection of merchants who were keeping more gunpowder in their stores than the city ordinance allowed. Several of them were reported as having violated the ordinance, and they were fined \$50 each. Council ordered the powder taken from their stores to be sent to the magazine.

The committee appointed by Council to confer with the citizens on the subject of procuring fire engines, reported on

the 15th of April. A majority of the committee, consisting of Messrs. Morton and Howell, reported against the purchase of fire engines at that time, insisting that it would require four engines at a cost of \$8,000; that the city was so crowded with wooden buildings that the engines could not be worked with much efficiency; that there was not a sufficient supply of water; and that the city could not now afford the expense. Mr. Quin, the other member of the committee, reported in favor of purchasing the engines, in conjunction with the citizens, who, he said, would make private contributions. He took issue with the majority of the committee upon the points stated above, and contended that experience in other cities had fully established the efficiency of fire engines. The report of the majority of the committee was adopted by Council, by a vote of 6 to 3.

The office of City Physician having become vacant by the removal of <u>Dr. Hoxey</u> from the city, Dr. S. A. Billing was elected in his stead.

John Morgan, elected an Alderman of the 2d ward in place of Ald. Holstead removed from the ward, took his seat in May.

In June, in accordance with resolutions adopted by the citizens in public meeting, Council instructed a special committee to contract with some person for the construction of a dam or breakwater to arrest the encroachment of the river at the upper end of Broad street, then represented to be increasing and alarming. At a subsequent meeting, Council adopted a plan submitted by Ald. Quin, which was for the Marshal, with the city hands and other help to be employed, to fill up the break made by the river, with pine bushes cut from the east commons, and weighted down with rock.

Funds in the city treasury being low and partly in uncurrent money, Council in October authorized the Mayor to negotiate a loan of \$20,000, and to mortgage any property belonging to the city as security for its repayment.

At a called meeting on the 18th of November, Council re-

solved to offer for sale the remaining water lots belonging to the city, by opening books of subscription until the 1st of December, estimating the property at \$20,000 and dividing the interest in shares of \$20 each. At the same meeting Council agreed to sell to Dr. J. J. Boswell & Co., for the sum of \$150, water lot No. 21, on condition that they put in successful operation thereon a cotton factory before the 1st of August 1844.

Subsequently Council agreed to exchange with Messrs. Howard and Echols, lot No. 1 for lot No. 4,

INCIDENTS.

Henry W. Arnett, a citizen of Harris county, was murdered in Columbus on the night of the 4th of January.

— Green was afterwards hung for the murder.

There was a strong feeling in favor of Texas in her still unsettled relations with Mexico. In March the citizens of Columbus held a large meeting, of which the Mayor was chairman, at which strong resolutions favoring Texas were passed. Large subscriptions were obtained for Texas. B. F. Malone, D. P. Ellis and Dr. Chipley were of the committee of thirty one to procure additional amounts. Santa Anna then ruled Mexico. Gen. Houston was President of Texas.

Thirty-eight men, styled "Coon Hunters," left Columbus for the Texas army, via Apalachicola. Major J. B. Hoxey commanded.

Jones & Moore's merchant mill, in the upper part of the city, during the spring had floated into the middle of the river. Mr. Bridges, with four men, succeeded in floating it ashore, where it was as good as ever.

We find a notice of the participation of two Columbus volunteer companies in a general muster on the 21st of June. They were the Muscogee Blues, Capt. Schley, and Columbus Guards.

The Sabbath schools of the city celebrated July 4th with speeches, &c. The Wynnton, Methodist Factory, Baptist,

Girard and Presbyterian Sabbath schools are named. Revs. Drs. Baker and Goulding participated.

Gen. Mirabeau B. Lamar, ex-President of Texas, arrived in Columbus on the 12th, and took lodgings at the Oglethorpe House. He was tendered a public dinner.

The first bale of cotton was brought in by Mr. John Odom, of Russell county, on August 15th, and was sold in specie funds to Mr. LeGrand Wright for ten cents.

In September, John Hunter, L. J. Davies, Hall & Moses, D. & J. Kyle, Hill, Dawson & Co., Ruse & Barnard and L. B. Moody were appointed a Board of Trade to report a weekly exchange table. They reported, among other things, Columbus and Planters' & Mechanics' Banks "broke;" City Council's, 10, 20 and 25 per cent. discount; Insurance and Phenix Banks of Columbus, par; sight checks on New York, 2 per cent. premium.

The grand jury at the fall term, reported that Muscogee county owed a debt of \$19,683.

Cotton in November 41 to 6c. in specie funds, and in December 31 to 6c.

The new and splendid steamer "Columbus," Capt. Allen, arrived in December.

The receipts of cotton from the 1st Sept. 1841 to the 7th May, 1842, (the latest statement we can find) were 40,424 bales.

PERSONAL.

At the county election on the 1st of January, John Mangham was elected Sheriff over M. Dancer; W. Y. Barden, Clerk the Superior Court, over Guerry; Nelson McLester, Clerk of Inferior Court, over A. G. Beckham; McNorton, Tax Receiver, over Lamar; Wilkes, Tax Collector, over Calhoun; [T. A. Brannon was elected Tax Collector in April, to fill a vacancy.] Coleman, Coroner, over Kenney.

W. D. Matthews was Presiding Elder of the Columbus Circuit, and James B. Payne stationed at Columbus.

The April grand jurors were: S. Boykin, J. B. Green, A.

F. Brannon, A. G. Bass, R. A. Ware, W. H. Maynor, John Logan, B. A. Sorsby, R. H. Greene, E. Tarver, R. N. R. Bardwell, J. J. Boswell, J. J. McKendree, A. Hunt, Thomas Morris, H. S. Smith, H. King, R. A. Greene, T. H. Smith.

William Y. Barden was Clerk of Court.

S. W. Flournoy was announced as editor of the Enquirer in May.

The October election resulted in the choice of McDougald, Senator, over Flournoy; Baker, Guerry, Pool and Alexander, for the House, over Leonard, Green, Wynn and Jones—all the elect Democrats but Leonard.

The grand jury for the fall term was composed of A. H. Flewellen, John Woolfolk, Van Leonard, A. I. Robison, Sam'l Koockogey, Jacob Fogle, Aaron Odom, A. L. Grant, Owen Thomas, M. W. Thweatt, Mansfield Torrance, J. R. Jones, W. E. Jones, S. C. Lindsey, M. D. Jones, Josiah Beall, Jas. McGuire, George C. Sherwood.

John L. Lewis was Solicitor, and M. J. Wellborn Judge of the Circuit.

It was announced on the 3d of October that the Enquirer had been bought by R. T. Marks and Thomas Ragland.

We find mention made, in their advertisements and otherwise, of the following business men not heretofore noticed:

Merchants—D. & J. Kyle, Kyle & Barnett, Mulford & Adams, B. Wells, J. Ennis, T. M. Hogan, George A. Norris, Wade & Middlebrook, R. W. Jaques, Greenwood & Grimes, Hamilton, Peyton & Co., A. M. Cox, Hall, Ruse & Co., J. T. Eppinger & Co., Foster & Ward, Ayer & Starr, Thomas Bumstead, H. W. Nance, S. A. Billing, Ware & Poud, J. B. Strupper; J. D. Howell, G. C. Sherwood, J. & J. Brooks, Ives & Brother, G. W. Woodruff & Co., Wm. H. Hurd & Co.

Hotel-Keepers—E. & R. L. Bass, the City Hotel; Wm. B. Phillips, of the Oglethorpe House, afterwards Win. P. McKeen.

Teachers—Thos. B. Slade, J. M. Hampton, Mrs. Dozier, R. W. Munro (Wynnton,) J. N. Goodale (Wynnton.)

Auctioneers-John Johnson and Calvin Stratton, Horatio Smith, Landrum & Co.

Lawyers—Foster, Howard and Pierce, W. W. Murray, Williams & Shivers, Bailey & Cooper, Thomas & Downing, McDougald & Watson, Iverson, Forsyth & Meigs.

Brokers—Davis & Plume; Dentists—Charles T. Cushman, Chas. P. Hervey; Watches and Jewelry—G. B. Phole, L. A. Le-Gay; Blind and Sash Factory—Moses Garrett; Comb Making, &c.—D. L. Booher.

Warehouse and Commission—Smith & Hayward, Hall, Ruse & Co., Yonge & Spencer, B. A. Sorsby, Jacob M. Johnson & G. W. Turrentine.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 6—Reccy Gunn and Emily M. Bugg, Charles West and Clarrissa A. Luckie. Jan. 9, Thomas J. Barbaree and Mary A. Shaw, Samuel G. Prey and Martha J. Monkus, John Culpepper and Celia Pickern. Jan. 13, Richard Pool and Jeanette Oliver. Jan. 23, John W. Parsons and Mary Cordery, John P. Rockmore and Martha C. Needham, James A. Perdue and Nancy Christian. Jan. 25. Robert Boyd and Mary A. McMurray, William J. Bush and Eliza Ann Pate.

Feb. 3—Andrew Boland and Luticia W. Barrington. Feb. 6, Joshua Canter and Eliza Williams. Feb. 8, Jesse Boland and Mary A. Cole. Feb. 16, John Hunley and Mary Christy. Feb. 17, John R. Young and Sophia Morton. Feb. 20, Martin Mimms and Mary J. Padget. Feb. 23, Abner Wilkinson and Matilda Taylor. Feb. 24, Wm. D. Vickery and Mary E. Walding, Newton M. King and Nancy C. Lisle. Feb. 25, Henry Stringfellow and Zilphia Bush. Feb. 27, Garrett B. Clayton and Caroline Duke. Feb. 28, Francis N. Reese and Mary F. Hunt.

March 1—John May and Mary Emmett, Jonathan Hunt, Jr., and Frances Hitt. March 3, Hillery H. Nash and Clarkey Scott. March 4, Philander Thompson and Sarah A. Lester. March 6, James Hyatt and Mary Clark. March 10, John P. Lunsford and Nancy Scott. March 15, Philip G. Heigdon and Jane Gardner-March 17, John Hamell and Emily H. Bosworth. March 20, Dan'l Brewer and Mariah Owens. March 24, Jackson Fontaine and Martha Petts, James Johnson and Martha Smith. March 27, Jackson Williams and Nancy Clyatt. March 29, Daniel J. Smith

and Mary Ann Pearson. March 31, James M. Champion and Elizabeth Willis.

April 2—Jasper S. Smith and Ann Stanley. April 5, Benjamin W. Walker and Mary Watson. April 7, Humphrey Posey and Mary Windham, Pleasant Hutchins and Emeline Cole. April 21, James M. Brooks and Eliza Gray. April 26, Samuel Lewis and Nicy Ann Brooks.

May 15—Wm. Ritch and Eliza Williams. May 24, Wm. B. Langdon and Frances B. Peters. May 29, William Taylor and Elizabeth Parnell. May 31, Absalom H. Chappell and Loretta Rebecca Lamar.

June 8—Robert B. Murdoch and Lydia Spencer. June 9, Wilson Wright and Elizabeth Davis. June 23, Thos. G. Richardson and Lucinda Martin. June 30, Drury A. Ridgeway and Frances S. Reese.

July 7—Peterson Sanders and Elizabeth Leonard. July 8, Thos. Morris and Mariah McDaniel. July 10, Wm. P. Coleman and Sarah C. Livingston. July 24, Johnathan McClung and Lusina Askew. July 26, William Dubose and Elizabeth T. Alston.

Aug. 3—John N. Underwood and Zelia A. S. Huckaby. Aug. 24, Andrew Henry and Jane A. Jenkins. Aug. 25, Geo. Allston and Elizabeth Sanders.

Sept. 6—John C. Tozier and Julia A. Sims. Sept. 8, Richard G. Parkman and Narcissa A. Moore. Sept. 13, Linson Pickard and Nancy C. Coleman. Sept. 15, Benjamin Cooper and Eliza Davidson. Sept. 18, Silas R. Shirey and Piety Drake, Alvin Pruett and Frances Ann E. Mealing.

Oct. 6, Elisha Davis and Luticia McCloud. Oct. 11, Robert P. Colwell and Elizabeth Christian. Oct. 18, Richard H. Harris and Mary J. Hudson. Oct. 25, James Wall and Elizabeth Cowart-Oct. 27, Gilford Strickland and Rhoda Davis, George G. Henry and Eliza P. Cary. Oct. 30, Rolin W. Smith and Caroline M. E. Russell. Oct. 31, Francis M. Brooks and Clementine Beauchamp.

Nov. 14—Richard H. W. Hinton and Mary J. Elder. Nov. 16, Thomas Hawkins and Mary H. McCoy. Nov. 17, John H. Hood and Eliza E. Beauchamp. Nov. 20, Benjamin Adams and Jane Hutchins. Nov. 30, Shadrack Wall and Mahala Patrick.

Dec. 6—Solomon Glass and Jane Williams. Dec. 7, William Blount and Sarah Turrentine. Dec. 15, Henry P. Shofner and Margaret Rogers. Dec. 18, William Jones and Martha Ann Walls, Hamilton Good and Eliza Ann Hickey. Dec. 20, Samuel D. Johnson and Kezziah Motley, Geo. S. Hawkins and Josephine O. Sullivan. Dec. 22, Anders Anderson and Petrar Larsen, Edward Baugh and Mary A. King, Wm. Morgan and Nancy Coffer. Dec. 26, John W. Kelly and Sarah C. Martin. Dec. 27, Edward Culpepper and Elizabeth Williams.

DEATHS.

Jan. 20-Robert E. Broadnax.

Jan. 26-Mrs. Martha Wells, wife of S. G. Wells.

Feb. 1-Mrs. Sarah Jane Persons, wife of Dr. J. T. Persons.

April 2--George R. Hurlburt.

June 27-John Thomas, son of J. B. Strupper.

July 5-Robert Walter, son of Mrs. M. F. Beall.

July 10-Peterson Thweatt, Sen.

July 12-Mrs. Martha Howard, wife of Augustus Howard.

Sept. 16-Elizabeth B., daughter of Hockley C. McKee.

The total number of deaths in the city during the year was 63 whites, of whom 33 were adults and 30 children.

1843.

The Remaining Water Lots Sold—Another Startling Tragedy—A Bold Bank Robbery, &c.

The municipal election on the first Saturday in January resulted as follows: Jacob I. Moses was elected Mayor, and the following gentlemen Aldermen: 1st Ward, J. J. McKendree, Willis S. Holstead; 2d Ward, Josiah A. Beall, B. F.

Malone; 3d Ward, Wiley Williams, N. L. Howard; 4th Ward, John Quin, Frederick Wilhelm; 5th Ward, Wm. R. Jones, Joseph L. Morton; 6th Ward, J. A. L. Lee, and a tie.

This Council commenced its work by a material reduction of the salaries of city officers. The following were the salaries agreed upon: Marshal \$500, Treasurer \$500, Bridge-Keeper \$350 and a house free of rent, Clerk of the Market

\$150, City Physician \$200, Attorney no salary.

At a special election held on the 14th of January, Edwin L. Burns was chosen an Alderman of the 6th Ward, to fill the vacancy. The city officers elected by Council were-City Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Marshal, Wm. H. Alston; Treasurer, John Bethune; Bridge Keeper, Wm. W. Martin; Clerk of the Market, V. S. Townsley; Sexton, Jeremiah Terry; City Physician, Dr. Wm. S. Chipley; City Attorney, Hines Holt; President of the Board of Health, Dr. Thomas Hoxey.

Jeremiah Terry having resigned the office of City Sexton, Green D. Sauls was in January elected in his place.

The plan of making private contracts with individuals for crossing the bridge was again adopted this year, the mini-

mum price required being \$10 for the year.

A tragedy which startled the city and surrounding country was the killing of Col. Burton Hepburn, on the 5th of January, by Gen. Daniel McDougald. It occurred in the Directors' room of the Insurance Bank, of which Gen. McDougald was President. Col. Hepburn had been connected with Gen. McDougald in business, and the difficulty between them was about their business affairs. It was understood that Hepburn had made threats against McDougald. On the morning of the killing Hepburn entered the office of Gen. McDougald in a threatening manner, or at least McDougald thought his visit was a hostile one, and it was then and there that he shot Hepburn. The killing, on investigation, was found to be an act of justifiable homicide.

By an ordinance adopted on the 4th of February, all persons in the city subject to patrol duty under the laws of the State were required to perform guard duty in Columbus, under organization and direction by a Regulator of Patrol, whose compensation was to be one-half of the fines and forfeitures collected. Dr. C. P. Hervey was elected Regulator, and in March his salary was fixed at \$500 per annum.

The following were the Banks and Agencies located in the city this year, which appears from an order for the commencement of suit against them for taxes that they refused to pay: Bank of Columbus, Planters and Mechanics' Bank, Chattahoochee Railroad and Banking Company, Western Bank of Rome. In March the Bank of St. Marys was removed to Columbus.

The South Commons was this year divided as nearly as practicable into 20 acre lots, and leased for six years, at prices ranging from \$1 75 to \$2 25 per acre. The committee attending to this matter reported that they found many trespassers upon the Commons, "among them nearly an entire brickyard," and Council ordered the immediate removal of these trespassers. A forty acre lot east of the race course was rented for the same term at \$1 50 per acre. The renters were John T. Walker, N. M. C. Robinson and G. W. E. Bedell.

Alderman Burns having resigned, A. J. Abbot was in February elected an Alderman of the 6th ward.

The only fire company of the city this year was the "Columbus Hook and Ladder Company," of which the following were the officers and members:

*Win. S. Chipley, President; Henry T. Hall, Foreman; *George Peabody, Assistant; R. T. Brice, Secretary; *James Kivlin, Treasurer.

Members: Henry T. Hall, N. M. C. Robinson, F. A. Wright, R. H. Green, John Everett, *B. F. Coleman, *Wm. S. Chipley, A. O. Blackmar, *P. A. Clayton, Jas. S. Norman, J. R. Turnbull, Wm. S. Morton, *Chas. T. Insley, *W. J. McAlister, David Wright, *Jas. A. Bradford, *J. E. Webster, *James Kivlin, John Condon, Benj. Dodge, Josiah Pranglin, Thos. S. Carr, *Wm. Snow, J. S. Arnold, *F. A. Cairnes, J. A. Norton, †J. W. Morgan, J. H. Bishop, Jno. B. Strupper, George Chalmers, John S. Allen, Hiram Young, John C. Young,

of which (10) were from diarrheea. Nine children died of scarlet fever, and 6 of cholera infantum.

MARRIAGES.

January 1—Win. H. Clem and Louisa R. A. Hanks. Jan. 2, John A. Debloise and Emily Jane Ruse. Jan. 3, Wm. A. Livingston and Emeline Pickard, Alex Jemison and Lucy Ann Brown. Jan. 4, Jas. Lee Sauls and Sarah A. Nix, Alexander Thompson and Elizabeth Reynolds. Jan. 5, John C. Ruse and Musidora A. Porter. Jan. 11, Absalom Adams and Loduska E. A. Adams. Jan. 12, Thomas Ginn and Dorcas Newberry. Jan. 12, Thadeus S. Sturges and Margaret A. McCluskey. Jan. 15 John J. B. Hoxey and Caroline C. Cotton. Jan. 18, Wm. McCauley and Martha A. Allen. Jan. 19, Elbridge G. Webb and Martha A. M. J. Pollard, Stephen Johnson and Caroline Tate. Jan 20, Wm. Johnson and Nancy Williams. Jan. 23, Nathan H. Beall and Martha F. Beall. Jan. 30, Samuel McGee and Elizabeth Floyd.

February 8—Robert Brown and Mary Fleming, Robert H. Henry and Susan Houghton. Feb. 9, Micajah C. Wordlaw and Mary J. McBride. Feb. 15, Jesse M. Reid and Ruth E. Prosser. Feb. 19, Wm. McBride and Sarah Brady, Farre Posey and Selethea Ginn. Feb. 22, Reese H. Moss and Nancy Barlow. Feb. 26, Thos. Harrill and Nancy Palmer.

March 2—Amos Ivey and Emily Ray, Thos. R. Robinson and Mary A. Brigman, Mark J. Westmoreland and Jane Brittain. March 9, John H. Brittain and Jane Westmoreland. March 13, James A. Gammell and Missoura A. Williams. March 26, Elkanah Delaney and Elizabeth Glass. March 29, Franklin C. Johnson and Rebecca R. Foote.

April 2—Wm. Terry and Sarah A. Whittington. April 7, John Morgan and Elizabeth Hudson. April 9, Kinyon Adams and Elizabeth Buckner. April 10, Jesse Ostern and Frances Harrison. April 13, Elijah B. Morgan and Isabel Davis. April 19, George Hargraves Jr., and Virginia Forsyth, Jeptha Warden and Frances H. Nickolson. April 20, Dread Bagley and Elizabeth Jones. April 25, John Gallops and Mary Cooksey. April 27, Wm. Moss and Harriet S. Ward.

May 1—John M. Hampton and Ariadna Pruett. May 6, Hart-well Elder and Mary Dimon. May 14, Benj. W. Hastings and

Julina M. Johes, Calvin T. Colson and Sarah Ann Evans. May 23, Henry M. Tompkins and Henrietta M. Bethune.

June 4—George Evans and Ara Paradice. June 6, Robt. M. Gam'ble and Martha R. Hasson. June 11, James Dunaway and Irena Swift. June 13, Ligrand S. Wright and Sarah L. Kimbrough. June 15, Lovick P. Zuver and Elizabeth J. Westwood. June 20, Lemuel T. Downing and Mary E. Thomas. June 24, James Bustran and Rosa Shoots. June 28, Randolph Wood and Ann Owens.

July 13—John W. Nash and Frances Mahorn. July 19. Benj. F. Marshall and Caroline A. Howard. July 20, Thos. McGinty and Jane Davis, Franklin Lewis and Louisa A. Allums. July 30 Leonard Lock and Mary Laton.

August 1—Robert S. Stockton and Eugenia Broadnax. Aug. 6, Joshua L. O. Davis and Sarah Jane Adams. Aug. 13, Enoch H. Wilson and Hestor Ann R. Parker. Aug. 15, John B. Auchinleck and Emeline Auchinleck. Aug. 17, Howell Davil and Elizabeth Champion. Aug. 24, Henry T. Smith and Elizabeth Graham, Perry D. Raany and Ann Culifer, Chas. Cleghorn and Elizabeth Ross.

September 5—Wm. Nix and Margaret McKinzey. Sept. 13, John West and Eliza Hudson. Sept. 14, John T. Langford and Jane Champion. Sept. 17, John C. Edwards and Matilda A. Gilmore. Sept. 26, John L. Cheatum and Ascenoth A. Putterson.

October 5—Levi L. Peacock and Mary V. P. Short, John A. Jones and Mary L. Leonard, Robert F. Jemison and Martha C, Pitts. Oct. 8, Job B. Parker and Martha Ann Bears. Oct. 12, Jas. W. H. Ramsey and Margaret Lawson. Oct. 17, Wm. S. Adams and Julia A. Minter. Oct. 26, Wm. Brewer and Louisa Williams, John Story and Mary Ann Jordan, Wm. E. Love and Caroline Louisa Calhoun. Oct. 29, Silas McMichael and Caroline Owens.

November 11—James E. Browning and Mary Johnson. Nov. 14, Wm. J. Watt and Sarah A. Garrett. Nov. 23, Henry H. Bradford and Martha Milford, James W. Norman and Elizabeth Majors, John C. Duck and Sarah Dunn.

December 3-Asa McNeil and Emily Underwood, Albert Henry

and Milly Perry. Dec. 12, Thomas Dann and Augusta Dozier, Wm. P. McKeen and Martha W. McCluskey. Dec. 15, Benjamin D. Watson and Frances Bartlette. Dec. 17, Robt. Johnson and Martha A. Jones, John Smith and America Ann Scroggins, Marian Bethune and Frances Jane Phelps, Thos. J. Powers and Jane Williams. Dec. 25, Alfred Johnson and Sarah Roberts. Dec. 26, Nathaniel D. Massey and Ruthy Smith, William F. Mullins and Margaret Ann Dent. Dec. 28, James H. Gilmore and Mary Jane Orr.

DEATHS.

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Feb. 9-Philip, infant son of Lewis Livingston.

Feb. 14-Wm. C. Bissell, a native of Norwich, Vermont.

Feb. 25—In Wynnton, Bird B. Mitchell, in the 65th year of his age.

March 23—Howard Chandler, infant son of Julius R. Clapp.

March 31—In Girard, Lewis Townsend, aged about 40 years.

April 14—At Mt. Meigs, Ala., Gen. James C. Watson—long a prominent citizen of Columbus. His age was 56 years.

May 13-Mrs. Ann Jones, wife of Andrew P. Jones.

May 24-Leopold, infant son of John B. Green.

June 11--Margaret P., daughter of Dr. E. L. DeGraffenried.

June 27-In Wynnton, Jacinta Marks, infant daughter of R. W. B. Munro.

July 5-Thomas Scott, infant son of Dr. E. L. DeGraffenried.

July 3-Ann Elvira, daughter of Wm. H. Mitchell.

July 23-Sarah Ann, infant daughter of William C. Perry.

July 29—In Macon, Miss Rebecca Ann Lamar, daughter of Gen. Mirabeau B. Lamar—formerly of Columbus.

Aug. 9-Raunald McNeil, aged 36.

Sept. 10-Richard W., infant son of Robt. H. Green.

Sept. 13—Francis Deblois, infant son of F. N. Ruse.

Sept. 23—Near Columbus, Capt. Francis M. Marks, aged 40 years.

Sept. 18—In Cherokee county, John G., eldest son of T. B. Howard, of Columbus.

Sept. 19-Hugh McDonald, aged about 35 years.

Oct. 7-Mrs. Mary Irving Williams, wife of Rev. Albert Williams.

Oct. 9—In Florence, Ga., Major Jesse L. Bull, formerly of Columbus.

Oct. 24-Mrs. M. L. Reed, wife of Murray Reed.

Nov. 7-William J. Vincent, of Charleston S. C.

Nov. 7-David Henry, infant son of Gen. S. A. Bailey.

Nov. 23-In Boston, Thomas Burnstead, formerly of Columbus.

NOTE—Scarlet fever prevailed in Columbus this year, and most of the children named above died of that disease.

1844.

A Fair Commercial Year—Valuation of City Property—The First Fire Engine—Political Excitement High, &c.

This was a year of heavy cotton receipts, and apparently of a commercial business correspondingly large. The receipts of cotton were 74,721 bales up to the 17th of April, which is the latest statement we can find. This was about seven thousand bales more than had been received to the corresponding date in 1843. Prices were pretty good in the winter and spring, being 9 to 9½c. in January and February, 5½ to 9 in March, and 4½ to 7c. in April. But they continued to decline, until in October the quotations were 3½ to 5 cents, in November 4½ to 4½c., and in December 3 to 4½c. The receipts from the 1st of September to the 25th of December this year were 40,024 bales.

The municipal government for this year, elected on the first Saturday in January, was composed as follows: Mayor, L. B. Moody. Aldermen—First Ward—J. J. McKendree and W. S. Holstead; Second—J. A. Beall and B. F. Malone; Third—N. L. Howard and R. N. R. Bardwell; Fourth—John Quin and John Everett; Fifth—J. L. Morton and States Lewis; Sixth—Jacob M. Guerry and John A. Norton.

This was the year of the memorable contest for the Presidency, in which Clay and Polk were opposing nominees, and political feeling ran so high even in January, that we find in the papers the politics of each man elected or appointed to a city office. The Mayor elect is put down as a Whig, the Aldermen from the 1st, 2d and 3d Wards as Whigs, and those from the 4th, 5th and 6th as Democrats.

The following city officers were elected by Council at its meeting on the 8th of January: Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Treasurer, John Johnson; Marshal, E. C. Bandy; Deputy Marshal, J. M. Hughes; Bridge Keeper, W. W. Martin; Attorney, Wiley Williams; Physician, John B. Hoxey; Clerk of Market, William W. Tilley; Keeper of Hospital, B. Ingram; Sexton, Jerry Terry; Port Wardens—L. Livingston, J. R. Young, H. Young, F. Wilhelm and John Kyle.

All Whigs, except Messrs. Williams, Bandy, Hughes and Wilhelm.

Salaries for the year were fixed as follows: Clerk of Council, \$350; Marshal \$500; Deputy Marshal, \$500; Treasurer, \$500; Bridge Keeper, \$400; City Physician, \$200; Clerk of Market, \$150.

Health officers elected by Council: Dr. Thos. Hoxey, President; Alex. McDougald, John Rounds, Dr. S. A. Billing, Dr. M. Woodruff, Joseph Kyle, James Barron, Thomas Sanders, James Kivlin, W. W. Torry, Charles Wise. Mr. Torry resigned in March, and Wm. Allen was appointed.

Fire Wardens—R. H. Green, N. M. C. Robinson, H. T. Hall, F. A. Wright, J. S. Norman, B. F. Coleman.

Contracts for crossing the bridge were made this year again.

An ordinance was passed in January, requiring the owners of all houses on Broad street, from Franklin to Thomas street, to number them.

The first fire company of Columbus was the one organized in 1843, as a Hook and Ladder Company. Its roster is given in the preceding chapter. In 1844, in accordance with an act

of the Legislature, it resolved itself into an engine fire company, receiving its engine by steamer on the 20th of January. The funds for its purchase had been furnished by the citizens. The company, numbering about 75 members, turned out to receive it and convey it to the engine house. They were in uniform and made a fine appearance. The organization of the Hook and Ladder company was retained.

This engine is still in Columbus, and up to quite a recent period was in active service. It is now laid up because the company last using it have obtained a newer engine.

At the first fire which occurred after the arrival of the engine, the company turned out promptly, but the scarcity of water prevented the efficient working of the engine.

The following were the principal city taxes levied this year: On every \$100 worth of town property, stock in trade, capital employed by brokers or exchange merchants, stock in bank, insurance or trust company, or money loaned, 25 cents; on each negro slave, 25c.; free persons of color \$6; practitioners of law, physic, factors or brokers, \$4 each; retail liquor license, \$25.

In February, Council appointed Messrs. Thomas Morris, Theobold Howard and B. F. Coleman, Appraisers, to assess the value of the real estate of the city. These gentlemen reported the total valuation \$1,266,055, which is the first report of the kind we have been able to find.

States Lewis, Alderman of the 5th Ward, resigned in February; and B. F. Malone, Aldermen of the 2d Ward, in March. W. W. Torry was elected in the place of Mr. Lewis, and N. M. C. Robinson in place of Mr. Malone.

Messrs. Howard and Echols made application for an extension of the time within which they were required to complete the dam across the river, and it was extended to the first of November of this year.

On the 10th day of April a contract between the Mayor and Aldermen on the one part, and Col. John H. Watson on the other part, was signed, by which Col. Watson was au-

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drawn by six cream horses, and amid shouts of welcome was carried to the old Oglethorpe Hotel. He was escorted to a platform in front, where he was welcomed in a long speech by Col. Hines Holt, to which he eloquently replied. Thousands present. In the afternoon Mr. Clay received his friends. A daughter of the late Dr. A. L. Acee, of Talbot County, then not thirteen years of age, presented him with a beautiful and highly finished lance. Mr. Clay remained in Columbus two days and then went on his way to Washington.

On Friday night, March 22d, the \$4,000 residence of P. A. Clayton was burned, and his family barely escaped with their lives. The lottery office narrowly missed being destroyed that day.

The Methodist Conference was held in Columbus in January, Bishop Soule presiding. The ministers attending were most hospitably entertained by the citizens, and passed resolutions of thanks for their generous reception.

The Phoenix Bank, of Columbus, closed doors in March. The President, F. Martine, was arrested in New York and brought back to Columbus, and committed to answer the charge of fraud. The outstanding circulation of this bank did not exceed \$35,000, and it was said that the citizens of Columbus did not lose more than \$10,000 by it. It was an institution established here by foreigners and New Yorkers, and appears to have been run for their private purposes, though a few good citizens had some stock in it. Its chief stockholders were G. Kostar, F. Martine, A. Mayor, and Lentilton & Co., all them of or recently from New York, and formerly from Europe. Nathan McGehee was also a large stockholder. It was charged that Kostar had drawn out the specie and fled to Europe. The bank was a resuscitated "wild cat" upon the ruins of the Farmers' Bank of Chattahoochee. Martine was in May released on habeas corpus.

On the 26th of April, Columbus Lodge of the I. O. O. F. celebrated the introduction of the Order in the United States. Alex. H. Cooper delivered the address. A. K. Ayer, J. S.

Norman, M. Woodruff, T. K. Wynne, and L. B. Lemmon, constituted the committee of arrangements.

On the 5th of June the fine residence of Mr. Wiley E. Jones, in the suburbs of Columbus, was burned by an incendiary, afterwards discovered to be a mulatto girl belonging to the family, who was arrested, confessed, and was whipped and imprisoned. She said she burned the house because she was not permitted to see a young man as often as she wished.

July 4th was celebrated by the Columbus Guards. At the Methodist church the Declaration of Independence was read by L. T. Downing and an address delivered by A. J. R. Bowdre. The Sunday schools celebrated it in the Baptist church where Rev. Mr. Curry delivered an address, and Revs. Dr. Goulding and Mr. Slade assisted.

The Methodist church in Columbus passed strong resolutions condemning the action of the General Conference regarding Bishop Andrew, and favoring a division of the church. The committeemen were Dr. A. H. Flewellen, J. M. Chambers, Seaborn Jones, Van Leonard and Geo. F. Foster. Dr. L. Pierce was present and favored the action. Daniel Curry, the pastor, and an opponent of slavery, left in consequence.

The election of Polk and Dallas was celebrated with an illumination of the houses of Democrats in Columbus and other demonstrations of delight.

PERSONAL.

On January 1st T. A. Brannon was elected Sheriff; Buckner Beasly, Clerk of the Superior Court; Nelson McLester, Clerk of the Inferior Court; F. A. Jepson, Tax Collector; P. M. Thomas, Tax Receiver; John Bunnell, Coroner; Thos. J. Hand, Surveyor.

Mrs. James N. Bethune, assisted by Mrs. Janette Bethune, had charge of the Muscogee Female Seminary this year; Rev. T. B. Slade continued his High School; H. H. McQueen had an English and Classical School; Dr. Andrews had a High School for boys; James H. Hampton continued his

Superintendence of the Columbus Female Seminary; W. B. Leary had a Classical and Mathematical School; J. H. Goodale was principal of the Wynnton Male Academy, and R. W. B. Munro of the Wynnton Female Academy. Mr. O'Hara, aided by his daughters, was also engaged in teaching. It appears that Columbus and its vicinity were well provided with schools and accomplished teachers.

Thos. Samford was P. E. and Daniel Curry stationed M. E. minister at Columbus this year.

On the 10th of April, Mr James Van Ness retired from the joint proprietorship of the Columbus Times, and John Forsyth became associated with Wm. L. Jeter in its management.

A most lamentable occurrence, on the 22d of October, was the death of Mr. James C. Cook, Sr., one of the oldest citizens of Columbus, who was killed by a runaway horse. He was thrown from his buggy against a tree at his own door.

On the 9th of November, as two little boys about ten years of age, were firing a toy cannon, one of them, a son of Hon. Joseph Sturgis, stooped before the gun and received the charge in his neck, killing him in a few minutes.

MARRIAGES.

January 2—John Hazelton and Adaline Ramsey. Jan. 4, Jas. W. Johnson and Elizabeth Hastings. Jan. 15, Thompson Creamer and Caroline R. Piggott. Jan. 18, Elisha C. Bowen and Elvira C. Bevill. Jan. 22, William Wadsworth and Mary Watley.

February 1—Jonathan Weaver and Emily Moye. Feb. 2, David Snell and Cornelia L. Snellgrove. Feb. 5, Jacob Dorff and Nancy Hopkins. Feb. 8, Edmond Pass and Amelia A. Hill, James Thompson and Nancy Williams. Feb. 13, Lewis P. Mosely and Mary Ann McCouney. Feb. 15, Joseph Carswell and Priscilla G. Baker. Feb. 17, Oscar P. Jones and Eliza Mooney. Feb. 21, Gottlieb Conzelman and Jorgine Gronbeck. Feb. 22, Geo. R. Dingle and Nancy Sealy. Feb. 25, Wm. G. Booth and Sarah E. Parker.

March 1—David H. Funderburke and Martha Ann Pope. March 7, John Fussell and Sarah Powell. March 21, Richard Patten and Martha A. B. Hodges, Robt. G. Mitchell and Jane Ann Cook. March 24, Daniel D. Ridenhour and Mary A. Patillo. March 25, Owen Duffee and Sarah Lowther. March 26, Robert T. Simons and Sarah A. L. Patrick. March 28, Benjamin Alford and Frances Wilson. March 31, Rheddock Smith and Mary Wade.

April 6—Arthur McGill and Catharine Sanders. April 30, Andrew J. Risher and Minerva McMichael.

May 6—Allen A. Goldsmith and Mary Jeter. May 22, Jas. W. Hewitt and Caroline Rowell. May 23, Wm. H. Pickard and Rosetta Culpepper, Geo. W. Robinson and Caroline A. Sanders-May 26, Simeon Dean and Ann Willingham, Daniel W. Brown and Sabina A. Bailey.

June 6—Thos. J. Abbott and Eliza Pernoy. June 12, Thos. M. Baldwin and Sophia Dobbs. June 20, Geo. H. Betz and Mary Jane Miller: June 25, Williamson Rodgers and Elizabeth J. Colson.

July 17—Hyman Allbritton and Louisa Farmer. July 20, Jos. C. Payne and Amanda J. Reed. July 27, Hansford C. Patterson and Sarah E. Bell.

August 2—John Collins and Matilda Scoggins. August 10, Edward M. Dozier and Behethala Brunson. August 11, Eli Gray and Eliza Gray. August 13, D. C. Miller and Mildred R. Alston. August 18, Osborn Eley and Jane Russell. August 20, Stephen D. Pepper and Sarah Falkenbury. August 26, William Howell and Angeline Hearn. August 29, Edward E. Sizemore and Jane E. E. Worsham.

September 4—Jesse Wood and Margaret Ivey, Daniel Collins and Bethire R. Stuart. Sept. 5, Peter J. Gillstrap and Sarah Q. A. Parker, Christopher Culpepper and Mary Boland. Sept. 8, John Calvin and Elizabeth Whatley. Sept. 11, Joseph Brown and Elizabeth Kelley. Sept. 19, Henry Morris and Adaline Pike. Sept. 22, Wm. A. Lowe and Ann Thurman.

October 2—James Chordry and Martha Phillips. Oct. 7, Pinkney Hazzelton and Clarrissa Doles. Oct. 10, Joseph Morris and Almenia R. Craigg, Alexander H. Cooper and Ann E. Billups. Oct. 13, Jas. A. Booth and Mary Ann Pope, Major J. Harris and Martha Hearn. Oct. 24, Wm. S. Green and Virginia E. Rogers. Oct. 29, Jas. M. Cobb and Elizabeth McNorton.

November 3—Jonas B. Russell and Susan Morris. Oct. 5, James J. Brown and Elizabeth Mott. Oct. 6, Jacob Johnson and Mary C. Higdon. Oct. 7, Jas. C. Cook and Mary Louisa Redd, Washington Purnell and Phebe Mahon, Randal Jones and Frances Cannon. Oct. 14, Augustus Howard and Ann J. Lindsay. Oct. 17, David B. Edwards and Elizabeth Johnson. Oct. 28, Jos. W. Woolfolk and Lucinda M. Winter, John Etheridge and Nancy Castleberry.

December 5—Jas. D. Williford and Almira V. Brooks. Dec. 12, Thos. Jordan and Emily Wiggins, George W. Tomberlin and Jane Rogers. Dec. 18, Samuel Cowles and Nancy S. Rockmore. Dec. 19, Jas W. Gibson and Mary Gray, Josiah Morris and Sarah E. Harvey. Dec. 22, John Odom and Mary Ealy. Dec. 27, Thos. Lowry and Mary L. Stallings. Dec. 31, Geo. W. Christian and Mary Smith.

DEATHS.

Jan. 12-Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, wife of Jacob M. Johnson.

Feb. 10—Pearce A. Phillips, "the last of his father's house", in the 19th year of his age.

March 9-Capt Wm. R. Bell, a native of Beaufort, N. C.

May 18—Mrs. Mary F. Cleveland, widow of Hon. Jesse F. Cleveland.

July 7—Milton Williams, Esq., Solicitor of the Chattahoochee Circuit.

August 8-Mrs. Mary Ann Terry, wife of G. B. Terry.

August 22—Adaline Blackmar, infant daughter of James D. and Eliza A. Johnson.

August 24-Edward W. Williams, formerly of Savannah.

August 28-Camillus T. Moise, aged 27 years.

August 31-James Hugh, son of G. B. Terry.

Nov. 9-Joseph A., son of Hon. J. S. Sturgis.

The Board of Health reported the total number of deaths during the year 1844, 75, of whom 21 were men, 16 boys, 14 women, 11 girls, 13 children, and 6 unknown. The diseases most fatal were fevers, of which 11 died, of consumption 10, and of bowel complaints 10. All these deaths were those of white persons.

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Manufacturing Enterprise Increasing—Contemplated Railroad
Connections—Trouble About the Bridge—The Cemetery
Enlarged, &c.

The municipal election on the first Saturday in January, for Mayor and Aldermen, resulted as follows:

Mayor, John G. Winter; Aldermen, First Ward—W. S. Holstead, J. J. McKendree; Second Ward—Dr. M. Woodruff and B. F. Malone; Third Ward—R. N. R. Bradwell, H. C. Anderson; Fourth Ward—A. K. Ayer, Jas. Everett; Fifth Ward—Wm. B. Robinson, J. L. Morton; Sixth Ward—A. G. Marshall and Jas. Green. Dr. Hoxey ran against Winter. The election was by wards.

Council met on Monday, the 6th of January, and chose the following city officers, with the salaries annexed: William Brooks, Marshal, salary \$500; Neil G. Smith, Deputy Marshal, salary \$500; George W. Turrentine, Treasurer, \$500; Calvin Stratton, Clerk of Council, \$350; W. W. Martin, Bridge Keeper, \$400; J. B. Hoxey, City Physician, \$200; W. W. Tilly, Clerk of the Market, \$150; Wiley Williams, City Attorney; B. Ingram, Keeper of the Hospital; Jeremiah Terry, Sexton; Dr. Thos. Hoxey, President of the Board of Health.

The following gentlemen were elected Health officers, two for each ward: Wm. Y. Barden, Robert H. Green; John Kyle, Dr. S. A. Billing; Dr. E. L. DeGraffenried, N. L. Howard; N. M. C. Robinson, P. A. Clayton; W. W. Torry, William Alley; Joseph Wiggins, John A. Norton. Afterwards J. M. Wesson was elected in the place of Wm. Y. Barden, resigned.

Five Port Wardens were elected, as follows: T. M. Hogan, Wm. Barrow, F. G. Davis, John R. Young, and George W. Martin.

The following gentlemen were elected Fire Wardens: J. C. Ruse, John Condon, James S. Norman, George A. Peabody, Lewis Livingston, B. F. Coleman.

The tax ordinance of this year imposed about the same general rates of taxation as that of 1844.

The contract system for crossing the bridge by the year was again adopted—no contract for less than \$10.

In January, Council appointed Messrs. E. W. B. Spivey, John T. Walker, and Wm. H. Alston, Appraisers, to assess the value of the real estate of the city. They reported, on the 4th of February, the whole valuation \$1,192,295, being somewhat less than the previous year's assessment.

The Committee on Police appointed the following City Guard for the year, to be paid each \$15 per month: T. A. Bosworth, Silas McMichael, T. W. Dickson.

The Committee on Finance reported in January that the city would have to pay during the year \$3,600 to John G. Winter, \$9,000 to the State, and \$333 to Patrick Adams, besides about \$1,000 of accounts for last year and the current expenses of the city for the present year. By arrangement, Messrs. Mustian and Mott had agreed, in consideration of the passage of the bridge by their line of stages, to hold over until the end of the year, without interest, \$3,200 of the city's certificates of deposit held by them.

The above report was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and this Committee reported the entire indebtedness of the city about \$63,750, of which amount \$4,791 was then due, and \$10,171 23 would fall due during the yearmaking in all \$14,961 90 for the year to be provided for, besides \$7,500 estimated current expenses. They estimated the income at \$17,637 90—leaving \$4,824 to be provided for, besides a small amount of city bonds, certificates, &c., that might have to be redeemed.

Besides a considerable amount of the city's bills still in circulation, a large quantity of "shinplasters" issued by other corporations and by individuals were affoat. We copy from the *Enquirer* the following quotations for March of this irredeemable currency:

Bank of Columbus bills 70 per cent. discount; Phœnix Bank, of Columbus, no sale; Irwinton Bridge, 25 per cent. discount; Insurance Bank, of Columbus, no circulation; Chattahoochee Railroad and Banking Company, broke; City Council of Columbus, 10 per cent. discount; Scott & Carhart's shinplasters, at par; E. & R. Graves' shinplasters, 10 per cent. discount; Sight Checks on New York and Boston, per cent. premium.

Columbus had the following fire-proof warehouses: H. S. Smith & Co.'s, capacity 14,000 bales; J. C. & F. N. Ruse's, 15,000; Yonge, Garrard & Hooper's, 15,000. E. S. Greenwood & Co. were building a fire-proof warehouse with slate roof—capacity, 10,000 bales. Each warehouse opened west on a street that extended to the river.

A committee of Council reported in favor of the enlargement of the cemetery by the addition of 602 feet in length and 320 feet in width, and the enclosure of the whole under one new fence; also a sale of burying lots to defray the expense of this improvement. Whereupon Council appointed another committee to have a survey of the grounds made, and to carry out the plan and recommendations of the first committee, if it could be done without expense to the city.

In March, Alderman Everett, of the 4th Ward, resigned, and P. A. Clayton.was elected in his stead.

Permission was given to the "Columbus Engine Company" to erect a fire engine house on the west side of Front street, at its junction with St. Clair street—where the engine house now stands. On the 19th of April Council appropriated \$200 towards building the house.

We learn from a memorial presented to Council by Messrs. John H. Howard and Josephus Echols, that their companys' Cotton took a wide range in prices this year. It opened in January at 2 to 4½c., principal sales at 3 to 3½c. The first bale of the new crop was brought in on the 5th of August, by Thos. Gilbert, of Stewart county, and sold to Mr. LeGrand Wright at 8½c. The market for the new commercial year opened in September at 6½ to 7c., and drooped to 5½ to 6½c in November. The closing quotations, December 16th, were 5½ to 6½c. The receipts of the year ending August 31st were about 85,000 bales, an estimated falling off of about 30,000 from the preceding year's receipts.

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INCIDENTS.

A new Presbyterian Church—the building now used for the Male Public School—was dedicated on the 25th of January. Rev. Dr. Goulding officiated.

John C. Tozier, of Columbus, on March 18th, was killed by falling out of the stage from Macon. Both wheels passed over him.

A Board of Trade was organized in Columbus on the 3d of July, with Henry King, chairman, and C. E. Mims, secretary.

Rev. Thomas Jepson, of the M. E. Church, was thrown from his horse on August 12th, nine miles north of Columbus, and died four hours after. His age was 40 years.

The mail and travel connections of Columbus, as late as this year, were all made by stages and boats. Messrs. Mustian & Mott ran a line of stages connecting the Central with the Montgomery and West Point Railroad. The point of connection on the last named road was Chehaw at this time. The Northern mail for Columbus came by stage from La-Grange.

The steamer Siren, Captain Sharpless, plying between Chattahoochee and Apalachicola Bay, burst one of her boilers, Feb. 26th, as the boat was rounding out from Toney's Landing, and killed six whites and four blacks, among the former a son of Mrs. Tilley, of Columbus. The killed, with the exception of one of the blacks, were a part of the crew.

The steamboat Lowell, Captain Moore, was snagged and

sunk on March 4th, a few miles below Fort Gains, on the Chattahoochee river, at a place called "the Cowpen." The principal part of her cargo and machinery was saved. The boat was represented as not worth raising if it were practicable.

The steamer Viola, Captain Van Vechten, was snagged and sunk in the Flint river, a few miles below Albany, about the same time. She was represented as a total wreck and about one-half of her cargo—1,030 bales of cotton—a total loss. Captain V. owned balf of the "Siren," which had blown up a few weeks before.

The steamer Charleston, Captain Freeman, collapsed one of her boilers, while crossing Uchee Shoals, sixteen miles below Columbus, on the 3d of May. Fortunately only one person, a negro man, was injured, and he only slightly scalded.

On Saturday, June 21st, the Columbus Guards started on a visit to LaGrange. The brass band numbered sixteen pieces, taught by Sergt. Berneriter, leader of the United States band at Fort Moultrie. They returned via the White Sulphur Springs, where they were given a ball. The company numbered sixty men. Officers—P. T. Schley, Captain; Jno. E. Davis, 1st Lieutenant; E. R. Goulding, 2d Lieutenant; John Forsyth, 3d Lieutenant. They paraded in Columbus July 4th. Hon. M. J. Wellborn, an honorary member, delivered an oration, and D. Chandler Holt, a member, read the Declaration of Independence.

PERSONAL.

The following county officers were elected on the 6th of January: Justices of the Inferior Court, Kenneth McKenzie, John M. Bethune, N. L. Howard, G. W. Ross, and Josephus Echols; Tax Collector, Jacob W. Frost; Tax Receiver, J. C. W. Rogers.

Of the Columbus Methodist Episcopal District, Rev. T. Samford was appointed presiding elder, and Rev. J. E. Evans to be pastor at Columbus

Sam'l W. Flournoy retired from the editorial chair of the Enquirer, and was succeeded by Col. J. S. Calhoun.

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Mr. Wm. L. Jeter, who had been connected with the *Times* sold his interest in that paper to Mr. Marcus Johnston, formerly editor of the Macon *Democrat*. It is announced in the issue of April 23d.

The Enquirer of May 21st is in mourning for the death of Dr. W. B. Ector, late proprietor and editor of the paper.

The Superior Court, Judge Sturgis presiding, met in Columbus. Grand Jurors were: W. P. Yonge, foreman; W. E. Jones, Geo. W. Jones, S. F. Grimes, Wm. Amos, John Hunter, G. Harris, J. J. McKendree, P. Hazzleton, E. Barnard, H. Crew, P. D. Redding, W. J. Rylander, W. A. Bedell, W. H. Kimbrough, J. B. Hill, John Smith, W. A. Douglas, W. B. Roquemore, E. C. Bandy, D. McDougald, W. P. Malone, R. H. Greene. Lawyers present were Hon. Seaborn Jones, H. L. Benning, Hines Holt, R. B. Alexander, James Johnson, Wiley Williams, Judge Cone, A. Cooper, Thad. Sturgis, N. L. Howard, Alex. McDougald, Gen. Bethune, John Schley, Gen. Bailey, J. M. Guerry, A. J. R. Boudre, E. Goulding, C. J. Williams, A. Iverson, Porter Ingram, T. F. Foster, John Forsyth, W. C. Holt, J. Echols, A. S. Foster, J. L. Stephens, C. S. Rockwell.

John Forsyth was appointed Postmaster of Columbus vice G. W. E. Bedell, and took the office in July.

The following were graduates of the Slade Female Institute. They read compositions on Thursday, July 10th, in the Baptist Church: Miss Lucy A. Pitts, subject—Benevolence; Miss Catharine L. Turrentine—Turn Over a New Leaf; Miss Sophia H. Shorter—Wisdom and Knowledge; Miss Cornelia M. Phelps—Contemplation; Miss Amanda C. Jernigan—Difficulty of Originating a Thing; Miss Mary E. Rose—He Labors in Vain Who Strives to Please All; Miss Lucy A. Barnett—When I Leave School; Miss Mary E. Key—death of her mother prevented her attendance. Col. Weeden was musical instructor. L. T. Downing, Esq., delivered the address.

Capt. S. A. Bailey, having resigned the Captaincy of the

Columbus Guards, Captain P. T. Schley, was elected in his stead carly in February.

In October, James S. Calhoun was elected Senator, and John L. Mustian and N. L. Howard, Representatives of Muscogee county—all Whigs.

Allen Lawhon, Intendant of the town of Columbus in 1832 and 1833, was a native of North Carolina. He removed from that State first to one of the eastern counties of Georgia, and thence to Columbus in 1830. He was a lawyer by profession, and was a man of energy and public spirit, making many friends by his intelligent interest in all matters of local improvement. He removed from Columbus to Cherokee Georgia in 1840, and there engaged in prospecting and mining for gold. He died about the year 1858.

John Fontaine, first Mayor of the city of Columbus, was one of its earliest settlers. He was one of its best and most extensive business men—a man of large mercantile and planting interests, also prominently connected with its manufacturing enterprises. He was noted for conscientiousness and uprightness in all his dealings. During the late civil war he was distinguished for his charities and his efforts to keep down the rise of prices that so seriously injured the cause of the Confederacy. He died on the 4th of November, 1866, in the 76th year of his age.

Gen. Daniel McDougald was a native of North Carolina. He removed to Washington county, Ga., when only eighteen years of age, and thence to Western Georgia. Before settling in Columbus he represented Harris county in the Senate of Georgia. He was for many years a Major General of the militia of Georgia. Removing to Columbus, his fine abilities and popular manners made him at once a favorite of the people. He was, as is shown in preceding pages, several times elected to represent Muscogee county in the Legislature, of which body he was one of the shrewdest and most influential members. He was a man of generous and impulsive disposition, of enlarged charity and patriotic public spirit. Few

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ern end of the bridge, in Girard. Whereupon the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the crossing of agricultural produce, wood, &c., free of toll.

The Orphan Asylum (an institution undertaken by some of the ladies in 1844) was this year open for the reception of

the orphan poor.

The City Light Guards were organized June 28th. The officers were, A. H. Cooper, Captain; D. P. Ellis, First Lieut.; A. G. Redd, Second; S. K. Hodges, Third; Wm. H. Pruden, First Sergeant; F. C. Johnson, Second; J. M. Hughes, Third; R. B. Kyle, Fourth; A. C. Brown, First Corporal; R. R. Hudgins, Second; John Wilmer, Third; J. A. L. Lee, Fourth.

This was the first year of the war with Mexico, and Columbus shared largely in the excitement which it occasioned. The Governor of Georgia in response to a call by the President of the United States, invited the enrollment of volunteers, and Columbus was selected as the place of rendezvous of a regiment of infantry. The volunteers arrived about the middle of June, and were reviewed by Gov. Crawford. The officers of the regiment were H. R. Jackson, of Savannah, Colonel; Thos. Y. Redd, of Columbus, Lieut. Colonel; Chas. J. Williams, of Columbus, Major; John Forsyth, of Columbus, Adjutant; Jas. Kellogg, Colonel's Private Secretary; S. M. McConnel, of Cherokee, Sergeant Major; B. F. McDonald, of Marietta, Q. M. Sergeant; Drs. J. J. B. Hoxey and W. E. Beall, of Columbus, Surgeon and Assistant; Rev. Mr. Cairnes, Chaplain.

Principal Musicians, Geo. Gatehouse and Dennis Holland,

of Savannah.

The following ten companies composed the regiment: We give the Captain of each and the officers in full of the three Columbus companies: Columbus Guards, Columbus—John

7 E. Davis, Captain; John Forsyth, First Lieutenant; C. P.

Hervey, Second; Roswell Ellis, First Sergeant; Jos. King, Second; W. C. Holt, Third; W. C. Hodges, Fourth; W. G.

Andrews, First Corporal; V. D. Tharpe, Second; Jas. Hamilton, Third; R. A. McGibony, Fourth.

Crawford Guards, Columbus—John Jones, Captain; R. G. Mitchell, First Lieutenant; J. S. Dismukes, Second; T. Shoemaker, First Sergeant; H. S. Teasdale, Second; A. M. Sauls, Third; D. A. Winn, Fourth; John May, First Corporal; John Lochaby, Second; James B. Wells, Third; N. J. Peabody, Fourth.

Georgia Light Infantry, Columbus—J. S. Calhoun, Captain; E. R. Goulding, First Lieutenant; H. C. Anderson, Second; W. B. Philips, First Sergeant; A. B. Hoxey, Second; W. T. Smith, Third; M. H. Blandford, Fourth; R. H. Howard, First Corporal; A. Scott, Second; Thos. Reynolds, Third; Geo. Lindsay, Fourth.

The other companies were Canton Volunteers, Cherokee county; Richmond Blues, Augusta; Macon Guards, Macon; Fannin Avengers, Pike County; Kennesaw Rangers, Cobb county; Sumter County Volunteers; Jasper Greens, Savannah. Regiment numbered 893 men.

The regiment was presented with a United States Flag by Miss Mary Ann Howard (the late Mrs. Chas. J. Williams) which was received by Col. Jackson. The regiment left on Sunday, June 28th, crossed on the lower bridge, crowds of people looking on, and marched to Chehaw, and railroaded to Montgomery and were carried thence to Mexico, where they remained twelve months, but had no part in the many battles, but were engaged in several skirmishes. City Council gave \$300 to Columbus Guards.

The city election, on the first Saturday in January, resulted in the choice of John G. Winter as Mayor, without opposition, and the following gentlemen as Aldermen: 1st Ward, W. S. Holstead, J. C. Ruse; 2d Ward, Dr. M. Woodruff, Dr. S. A. Billing; 3rd Ward, R. N. R. Bardwell; 4th Ward, John Quin; 5th Ward, N. M. C. Robinson, J. L. Morton; 6th Ward, B. F. Coleman, Jos. Wiggins. Dr. Stewart in the 3rd

blew briskly southwest. The market-house, then at the intersection of Broad and St. Clair streets, caught and was consumed, and then the flames took down southward on both sides of Broad street. On the east side were consumed the goods of Reuben Shorter; James Ligon, groceries and provisions; Lesterget's do.; Charles Kendall's do.; T. Sanders' cabinet shop; Dr. Thos. Hoxey's shop and medicines: I. B. Hoxey's grocery; I. G. & J. B. Strupper's goods and residence; Hamilton & Co's clothing and \$300 in cash: J. Kivlin's Sans Souci and residence, worth \$15,000, insurance \$5,000; John Ligon & Tilley's grocery; Shaeffer's gun shop; Thomas Treadwell's residence; Turean's grocery; J. S. Norman's saddle shop and one story house: Dr. Young's office; Chas. Fuch's bakery; Phil. Reynolds and J. Rowe's bar-room; McIntosh Row, occupied by Theobold Howard and others, as residences; Dillingham's corner, owned by Wells & Toby; Henry Matthew's residence; Rev. W. D. Cairnes' building; W. P. Baker's and Mrs. Tichnor's residences and Miss Edmundson's school room. Here the fire on the east side of Broad was stopped. It had swept two squares south, consuming every house on the first from St. Clair street, except Janny's foundry, the old theatre, a small grocery, and on the square south of Crawford everything except a few houses on the side west of the court-house.

At the same time, the west side of Broad, south of St. Clair, was fired, and every house was consumed save the Fontaine residence. Wm. P. Yonge's residence, west of this, was saved, owing to the direction of the wind. The fire passed Rankin's corner, (Broad and Crawford streets,) burnt the Democratic Liberty-Pole, consumed all of Battle Row, crossed over to the west side of Front street, and destroyed the residence of Mr. Rankin; Yonge, Garrard & Hooper's warehouse being saved after a hard fight; burned John Whitesides' stables near the river, but his tavern was saved. All that part of the square from Broad and Crawford, south to the bridge, was consumed, including several houses blown

up. The fire was arrested just one-half square below the bridge, and one square from the steamboat landing.

The principal sufferers on the west side of Broad street were: Hill, Dawson & Co. (saved goods,) building \$5,000; D. W. Orr & Co., clothing; Mrs. A. B. Davis, store-house, bank building and residence; J. S. Smith & Co., clothing; A. M. Cox, grocer; George Hargraves, building, \$3,000; Luke Reid, shoe and saddle store: Messrs. Peabody: A. Calhoun, grocer; S. & F. W. Sartwell, dry goods and groceries \$10,000; J. N. Harris & Co., \$5,000; E. Wells & Co., shoe store; John Code, tailor, \$800; James Sullivan, grocer, \$11,000; L. J. Davies, dry goods; Patillo's boarding house; Mrs. Davies, milliner, heavy loss; William Rankin, store and goods, and residence on Broad street, \$15,000; B. Wells, several stores; William Tarbutton, owner of old Columbus Hotel, (Jake Burrus' old corner;) William Tarbutton, \$1,000; Wiley Adams; Dr. Thornton, two tenements; Gunn, provisions; Mrs. E. Webster, two stores, \$800; J. W. Campbell, workshop; S. Hoffman, grocery and residence blown up, \$800. On Bridge street-J. Code, residence; Dr. Rogan's house; N. L. Howard, two houses; John Quin and Joseph Walton, stores.

On Front—Residences of Mrs. L. J. Davies, Mrs. James A. Shorter; William Owens, Colonel Jones' building, and all others down to a half square below the bridge on the west side of Front street. On Battle Row, or Crawford street—J. Boulter, Thomas McCarty, B. Weeks, P. Sullivan.

The heat was so intense on Broad street, that goods took fire after being removed from the stores. Fabulous sums were offered for drays to haul off goods. The only fire engine (No. 1) came near being burned.

Girard narrowly escaped from cinders.

Council appealed to the public for aid in behalf of the sufferers, and John Quin, acting Mayor, issued a proclamation in accordance. A committee was appointed to solicit aid. The Grand Jury for the April term consisted of S. W. Flournoy, foreman; E. C. Bandy, Wm. Amos, L. C. Allen, G. B. Terry, Jas. Sullivan, Calvin Stratton, S. Weems, M. Chisholm, R. W. Fox, A. Peabody, T. Howard, Wm. Rankin, James Kivlin, Van Leonard, G. S. McGehee, T. A. Brannon, T. J. Terry, and Leroy Holt.

James Kivlin was elected, in July, an Alderman of the 4th Ward, in the place of James H. Shorter, deceased.

Alderman Robinson having removed from the 5th Ward, S R. Andrews was in September elected an Alderman for said Ward.

Council, in December, adopted a resolution that Messrs. Echols & Howard had faithfully performed their contract for the improvement of the water lots.

The following boats arrived and departed during the winter of this year: Lotus, Allen master; Champion, Cadwallader master; Peytona, Greer master; Viola, Van Vechten master; Mary Ann Moore, Moore master; Nation, McAlister master; Boston, Morton master; Emily, Hall master; Columbus, Stapler master; Eufaula, Thompson master; Albany, — master.

The following list includes the names of all the business and professional men advertising in the Enquirer this year:

Merchants.—E. & M. Meidner, J. Ennis & Co., George Durham, R. A. Ware, Greenwood & Ellis, J. M. Tarbot & Co., E. Barnard & Co., Hall & Moses, Pond & Willcox, Moody & Durr, A. H. McNeil, Bruno & Virgins, P. McLaren, Wesson & Booher, S. B. Hamilton, J. I. Ridgway, S. B. Purple, Ridgway & Barden, L. L. Cowdery, Winter & Epping, L. J. Davies, B. Wells & Co., Strong & Wood, H. H. Woodruff, Brokaw & Clemons, D. & J. Kyle, J. S. Smith & Co., Jas. F. Watson, Jas. Dwight, B. B. deGraffenried, J. & I. G. Strupper, Wynn & Chandler, Jos. B. Green, J. W. Pease, M. Pecare & Co., Wm. A. Redd & Co., G. B. Terry, G. W. Woodruff, Sammis & Rooney, Johnson & Frost, Mygatt & Hodges, Q. C. Terry, Hill, Dawson & Co., D. W. Orr & Co., Ives & Bro., Wade & Middlebrook, Aug. L. Grant, Birdsong & Sledge, A. J. Robison, J. H. Merry, Stanford & Ellis, A. A. Denslow, Hogan & Cooper, Robert Carter,

Teachers. - R. W. B. Munro, Miss O'Hara and Sister, Mr. O'Hara, Miss A.

B. Alexander and Miss D. Pease, Mr. Boyden, J. H. Goodale, Thos. B. Slade, Mrs. Bethune, John G. Baker, Thos. G. Pond.

Restaurants.—Wm. B. Ferrell, E. A. White.

Cabinet Wareroom-Henry Willers.

Dentists-J. Fogle, O. P. Laird, C. T. Cushmen.

Auction and Commission-N. McRobinson, A. K. Ayer.

Lawyers—John M. Bethune, C. S. Rockwell, A. G. Foster, Hines Holt, Wm. Dougherty, M. Johnston, L. T. Downing.

Book-Binder-R. Tanner.

Cotton Brokers-Hanserd & Morris.

Warehouses—Ruse, Patten & Co., Yonge, Garrard & Hooper, Greenwood & Co., Hooper & Ridgway, Ed. J. Hardin.

Doctors—E. M. deGraffenried, Boswell & Billing, Holt & Butt, Wildman & Craig, Thos. Hoxey, Dr. Goulding.

Iron Foundries-Israel H. Janney, Joseph Colwell & Co.

Carriage Repositories-H. C. McKee, J. B. Jaques.

Hotels—Oglethorpe House, by R. L. Bass; City Hotel, by Murry Reed and Isaac Mitchell; Kentucky House, by W. Perry

Ice Dealer-John Byrne.

Gin Makers-Templeton Reid, E. Y. Taylor & Co., (in Girard.)

Livery Stable-Jas. A. Bradford.

Boarding House-Mrs. Teasdale.

Millinery-Miss C. W. Alexander, Mrs. Dessau.

Gunsmith-F. Shae Jer.

Deguerreotype Gallery-Mr. Lovering.

MARRIAGES.

January 4—Greene S. Duke and Pyrene C. Webb. January 6, George W. Howard and Caroline E. Smith. Jan. 8, Jeremiah Massey and Frances Broadnax, John Jones and Elizabeth Emily Tilly. Jan. 11, David Magouirk and Margaret Duke. Jan. 14, George Thornton and Rebecca Thornton. Jan. 26, John Mosey and Martha Byus. Jan. 27, Simon P. Bickley and Martha A. Culver.

February 5—Peter Diffley and Jane Wade, Richard Ector and Eleanor M. S. Ector. Feb. 11, Wm. A. Shofner and Mary Ann Turnage. Feb. 12, Henry H. Epping and Barbary C. Cubbage. Feb. 13, John Houston and Martha J. McClure. Feb. 15, Morton Kelsey and Georgian V. Marcrum. Feb. 18, Lambert Spencer and Venona Mitchell. Feb. 22, Alexander C. Green and Mary Burns.

March 1—Shadrack Walls and Nancy Cordry. March 2, Salathal N. Cropman and Caroline Crandall, Gregory Ortagus and Mrs. Stacy Ann Lee, Martin Castello and Permelia Gouter. Feb. 4, James W. Johnson and Sarah Garrison. March 5, Alanson M. Cox and Georgiana M. Affleck. March 10, Loster L. Cowdery and Eveline Bule. March 18, Thos. M. Clowers and Louisa Warren. March 28, William C. Swann and Delila E. Brown. March 24, Hiram Hooker

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and Mary Bell. March 25, Stephen Z. Harnesberger and Susan Norris. March 26, George C. Benton and Frances M. Stallings, Wm. L. O'Stein and Harriet S. Adams.

April 2—Jonathan Cordry and Elizabeth Tomlinson. April 12, James M. Baggett and Mary Ann Pike. April 26, Thomas Cransby and Mary Simpson. April 30, Doctor H. Sanders and Martha Walters.

May 12—Nelson McLester, Esq., and Mary C. Redd. May 17, Jno. M. Jones and Elizabeth J. Rogers, Charles King and Caroline Ligon. May 23, Ichabod B. Hoxie and Euphemia Allen.

June 2—Josiah Pranglin and Jane Ann Giddings. June 3, Jas. H. Edmundson and Susan Ramsay. June 4, James P. Duck and Caroline E. Dimon, Jas. Francis and Louisa F. Perryman. June 11, James Slaughter and Eleanor Williams. June 16, Cary C. Willis and Mary F. Huff. June 21, Wiley Sizemore and Mary Askew.

July 5—Jesse Clay and Nancy Caroline Bryan. July 7, Edward W. Nix and Ann Harvell. July 9, Brady F. Warner and Matilda M. Brown. July 23, David Culpepper and Caroline Hays. July 29, Edward S. Ott and Ann A. Alston, Richard L. Butt and Elizabeth C. Leonard.

August 2—John Kingsbury and Missouri Ann Grey, Thomas W. Ballard and Jane Hawthorn. Aug. 10, James Johnson and Nancy Amanda Roach. Aug. 12, John F. Bosworth and Augusta F. Reeves.

September 6—William A. Livingston and Mary A. Cooper. Sept. 10, Matthew Knight and Martha Ann Bryley. Sept. 18, Jacob Williams and Eliza Adams. Sept. 22, Edwin N. Hyatt and Mary Jane Lee. Sept. 24, Caleb Gallops and Sarah Palmer. Sept. 27, George W. Smith and Sarah Mann.

October 1—Wm. A. Beach and Caroline L. Neuffer. Oct. 5, John Crosby and Sarah Rawl. Oct. 6, Wiley L. Day and Sarah Ann Elizabeth Andrews, William H. Smith and Nancy Ann Edwards. Oct. 7, Jas. Hall and Frances Ballard. Oct. 8, Jesse D. Hadley and Malinda R. Teel. Oct. 15, Benjamin W. Moon and Arabella T. Eldred. Oct. 18, Zachariah Gammel and Elizabeth Osborn. Oct. 22, Edward Christian and Rachel Witt. Oct. 28, Francis M. Gray and Mentoria E. Mead.

November 3—William Walker and Harriet E. Shay, Luke Crandall and Martha E. Rawson. Nov. 4, Wesley Gray and Emeline Jones. Nov. 12, Jas. W. McCullers and Lucinda Scroggins, Abraham Miller and Martha Morgan, Henry Hall and Mary A. Nisbett. Nov. 13, Wm. McConnell and Tabitha Olive Kent. Nov. 24, Jordan L. Howell and Elizabeth S. Johnson. Nov. 25, James H. Carter and Henrietta M. Harden. Nov. 26, James A. Redding and Caroline P. Davis, Vincent H. Harrison and Martha Roland, James Twilley and Catharine Davis. Nov. 29, Elijah Padgett and Axupershanee Johnson.

December 3—Q. Carlyle Terry and Elizabeth G. Goulding. Dec. 10, Thos. J. Tipper and Emily Vickers, Abner Buchanan and Ninetta L. Chisolm. Dec. 11, Jno. E. Renfroe and Martha Ann Daniel. Dec. 13, Anda McNeel and Martha Weathers. Dec. 16, William J. McBride and Mary Ann Wall,

Dec. 17, Charnel Hightower and Amanda Henry. Dec. 20, Jasper Harris and Judith Ann Buckner. Dec. 21, William C. Owens and Catharine Simpson. Dec. 22, Wade H. T. Powell and Mary E. Dade, Jno J. Rockmore and Sarah Jane Edwards. Dec. 24, Sampson D. Helms and Missouri Parker, Simeon Perry and Emily Kilpatrick. Dec. 30, William H. Spurgers and Ann Prickett. Dec. 31, Israel H. Jamsey and Mary Jane O'Hara, Jourdan Hightower and Jane Henry, Slakely Lamberth and Mary Ann Fincher.

DEATHS.

January 23—Arthur B. Davis. Jan. 28—Dr. A. S. Clifton. Jan. 29, Jeremiah Mullens.

March 5-Francis N. Ruse. March 7, Mrs. Martha T. Redd.

April 4-Mrs. Harriet A. Wildman.

June 7—Mrs. Caroline Crossman. June 11, John Logan. June 29, Mrs. Martha W. Harris.

July 3—Eugene, infant child of John A. Jones. July 10, Wm. B. Chandler, of Sumter county.

August 11—Mrs. Mary Emma Bronson. Aug. 16, Mrs. Frances Eliza Rutherford. Aug. 18, Mrs. Mary Hodges. Aug. 27, Anna Lewis, infant daughter of L. D. Minter.

September — Stephen D. Pepper. Sept. 7, Mrs. Barbara Catherine Epping. Sept. 14, Jared Irwin, infant son of Elisha F. Kirksey.

October 16—Jonathan Niles, of Providence, R. I.

1847.

Two Destructive Fires—Land Donated and City Subscription to Muscogee Railroad Company.

The following was the result of the election held on the first Saturday in January for Mayor and Aldermen: Mayor, Wiley Williams; Aldermen—1st Ward, J. J. McKendree, Willis T. Holstead; 2d Ward, no election; 3d Ward, R. N. R. Bardwell, George Pitts; 4th Ward, H. J. Smith, and no choice for one; 5th Ward, James Kivlin, J. L. Morton; 6th Ward, Benj. F. Coleman, J. R. Green.

Subsequently, John G. Winter and Davenport Ellis were elected Aldermen of the 2d Ward, and John Quin of the 4th Ward.

Calvin Stratton was re-elected Clerk; George W. Turrentine, Treasurer; William Brooks, Marshal; Jas. M. Hughes, Deputy Marshal; Wm. W. Martin, Bridge-keeper; M. Woodruff, City Physician; James Johnson, City Attorney; Chas. Kendall, Clerk of the Market; R. T. Simons, Sexton; C. A. McGehee, Hospital Keeper.

The first omnibus appears to have been licensed this year. H. W. Van Veighten and others were authorized to run an omnibus from the post-office to the wharf and other points in the city, for the purpose of conveying passengers.

The Fire Wardens elected in January were John C. Ruse, Henry T. Hall, John Strupper, R. R. Goetchius, L. W. Wells, Peter Crichton.

Board of Health—Dr. Thos. Hoxey, J. B. Hoxey, S. A. Billing, John S. Allen, Mansfield Torrence, Joseph Kyle, E. Birdsong, Benj. Wells, Joseph Wiggins, R. S. Stockton.

Port Wardens—Lewis C. Allen, Frederick Toby, T. M. Hogan, Wm. H. Praden, V. S. Cady.

Commissioners of the Poor—John Johnson, M. Woodruff, William Amos, Theo. Howard, Lewis C. Allen.

Messrs. John Bethune, Frederick Toby and Joseph E. Webster, assessors, reported the aggregate value of real estate in the city \$1,333,825.

The newspapers of Columbus, this year, were the Enquirer, Times, and Democrat.

On Wednesday, at 7 o'clock P. M., March 1st, a fire broke out in J. M. Tarbox's book-store, located on the east side of Broad street, midway between Randolph and St. Clair streets. Fronting Broad street were destroyed Tarbox's book-store, Wade & Middlebrook's saddlery-store, Hall & Moses, hardware; E. & M. Meidner, dry goods; Sammis & Rooney, furniture; Meinhem & Co., dry goods; A. H. McNeil, shoes; Holden's oyster house and confectionery; Geo. H. Betz, tailor;

Fogle & Cushman, dentist rooms; the clothing and millinery store of Mr. and Mrs. Dessau. The fire passed thence to Oglethorpe street, destroying Hatcher & Pitts' livery stable. The Episcopal church building was several times on fire. Several wooden houses on Oglethorpe were cut down, and the building occupied by the Enquirer as a press room was blown up. The fire engine did all it could. Mr. George H. Peabody was seriously injured by a fall from the vestry of the Episcopal Church. The heaviest losers were Sammis & Rooney, Kyle & Barnett, G. W. Woodruff, Wade & Middlebrook (fully insured,) A. K. Ayer, Hall & Moses (\$13,000 above insurance,) P. A. Clayton, and others. Total loss about \$80,000; insurance \$40,000.

On March 20th, at 5 A. M., Harden's large wooden warehouse, occupied by Hall & DeBlois, agents for the Lowell factory companies, and owned by the Milledgeville Bank, was burned with 1,281 bales of cotton, owned by various parties; and 900 sacks salt, 125 barrels of molasses and 75 of whiskey, owned by Barnard & Schley (insured.) The rear building of Redd & Co.'s store, with 200 sacks of salt, bacon, etc., was also burned. Loss \$60,000. The warehouse was located where the Planters' Warehouse now is. This fire was believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

On the 23d of March, Council held a special meeting to take action in regard to the supposed incendiary origin of the late fires. A resolution was adopted authorizing the Mayor to offer a reward of \$1,000 for the apprehension and conviction of any such incendiary.

On the 25th of March, Wm. Brooks resigned the office of Marshal, and James M. Hughes, Deputy, was elected Marshal. George Gullen was elected Deputy Marshal.

We find the names of the following boats that were plying the river in the early part of this year: Lotus, Champion, Peytona, Viola, Mary Ann Moore, Nation, Boston, Eufaula, Emily, Charleston, Albany, Apalachicola, Cadwallader.

Notwithstanding heavy losses by three destructive fires

within a few months, the citizens of Columbus contributed \$789 40 for the relief of the people of Ireland, then suffering from famine.

A new Market House, near the intersection of Oglethorpe and Crawford streets, having been completed by Messrs. P. Adams and J. L. Morton, the stalls were rented in May. We find that some of the stalls were rented by Richard Roberson, Barshall & Gittenger, Charles G. Bize, Amos & Jones.

J. J. McKendree having resigned as Alderman of the 1st Ward, A. B. Ragan was elected in his stead.

The following decree of Chancellor Ligon of Alabama, in the case of the Mayor and Council of Columbus vs. Lewis Davis and others, was laid before Council on the 17th of June, and spread upon its minutes: "It is ordered, adjudged and decreed, that the injunction heretofore awarded in this case be made perpetual, and that the said defendants and each and every of them and their successors in office of those of them which constituted the Court of Commissioners of Revenue and Roads for the county of Russell, be forever enjoined from obstructing in any way the streets and highways in the bill mentioned to the injury of the franchise of complainant."

On the 30th of June a special meeting of Council was held to consider a proposition of the Muscogee Railroad Company in regard to obtaining a lot of ground on the east commons for the purpose of locating a depot. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this body authorize the Muscogee Railroad Company to locate their depot on the east common, between Randolph and Bryan streets, and to occupy a space of ground for said depot, and for no other than railroad purposes, not exceeding the breadth between the two streets, and not over 1200 feet long, leaving a street on the east and another on the west end of said depot—which said streets shall be as much as 200 feet wide; and with the amendment that the title shall revert to the city when the road shall cross the river at any point above St. Clair street.

In August, P. A. Clayton was elected Alderman of the 4th Ward, vice H. J. Smith, resigned.

Council appropriated \$300 to aid in buying a new engine.

On the 16th of September the Telegraph Company petitioned for permission to erect poles and extend their line through the city, and on the 7th of October Council granted the company the right to cross the commons, the streets, and the river, by attaching the wires to the bridge.

There was considerable feeling in Council and among the citizens, in October, on the subject of renting a portion of the commons for a race track. Council at first resolved to rent it for that purpose for a term of years, but afterwards reconsidered the resolution, and on the 28th of October, after receiving a numerously signed protest by citizens against any such appropriation of the commons, the whole subject was laid on the table.

Col. J. L. Mustian having made a proposition to Council to complete twenty miles of the Muscogee Railroad, commencing at Columbus, if the city would give him a bonus of \$20,000, and it being represented that a project was on foot to build a road from the Georgia Western Railroad to West Point, which would materially interfere with the trade of Columbus, Council called a meeting of citizens on the 29th of October, to consider the question. This meeting adopted a resolution requesting the Council to subscribe for 1500 shares of the Muscogee Railroad, payable in bonds. At its meeting on the 2d of November, Council adopted an ordinance "to authorize and require the Mayor of the city of Columbus to subscribe in the name and for the benefit of the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbus for fifteen hundred shares in the stock of the Muscogee Railroad Company, to authorize the issue of city bonds for \$150,000 in payment of the same, and to provide for the representation of said stock in all meetings and elections which may be held by the stockholders of said company." The ordinance provided that \$15,000 of said bonds should become due and payable each year, commencing on the 1st day of January, 1853, until the whole should be paid by the 1st of January, 1863. At a meeting

on the 11th of November, Council adopted an amendment to this ordinance, asking the Legislature to grant authority to levy an additional tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on these bonds.

Subsequently, on motion of Alderman Morton, Council adopted a resolution appointing a committee to ascertain and report what arrangements could be made, by means of a county subscription, to expedite the building of a railroad connecting the Muscogee Railroad with a railroad at Barnesville.

The Finance Committee reported in December that the income of the city Treasury for the year, ordinary and extraordinary, had been \$24,280 69, against \$21,400 the previous year, and the amount of city debt paid off during the year a little less than \$10,000, besides \$3,000 of extraordinary expenses, leaving the current expenses of the city about \$10,500. The debt of the city at that time was \$42,466.

The city sexton reported 12 interments, of both whites and blacks, for the first quarter of this year, and 22 for the second quarter. We have been unable to find any report for the last two quarters.

INCIDENTS

Mary Ann Coursey, a white girl, aged 13 years, was fatally shot in the head with a pistol, by Jones Butler, on March 1st. He was arrested in Girard, and lodged in the Columbus jail.

The Howard Manufacturing Company was organized for the purpose of building a cotton factory—building to be 125x48 feet, five stories high, and run 5,000 spindles. Directors-Van Leonard, J. C. Cook, E. T. Taylor, Harvey Hall and J. I. Ridgway. President, Van Leonard; Superintendent, Jonathan Bridges. The corner stone was laid on Aug. 28th. There were two factories in active operation in Columbus at that time—the Coweta and the Columbus.

The war with Mexico was progressing this year, and Columbus took a lively interest in the contest. A battalion of six companies of mounted volunteers, of which J. S. Calhoun had been appointed Lieutenant-Colonel, left Columbus early in September. Dr. J. F. Bozeman was surgeon. The companies were commanded by Captains E. R. Goulding, H. Kendall, C. H. Nelson, C. A. Hamilton and W. T. Wofford. Colonel Calhoun was given a horse by General McDougald and received another from Daniel Griffin.

On the 26th November, Mr. Randal Jones, an aged citizen of Muscogee, was thrown from his horse, near the residence of Judge Thomas, on the Hamilton road, and killed.

The steamboat H. S. Smith, built in Columbus, was launched at the boat yard on the 27th of November.

A. G. Smith, of Columbus, was killed near Matamoras by Mexicans, while, with a Mexican, he was hunting mules.

The officers of Columbus Fire Company No. 1 for this year, were R. A. Ware, President; H. T. Hall, Foreman; Wm. Snow, Assistant Foreman; J. B. Strupper, Treasurer: V. H. Cady, Secretary.

The Georgia M. E. Conference appointed Rev. A. J. Wiggins, Presiding Elder of the Columbus District, and Rev. Jesse Boring as pastor at Columbus.

On Tuesday, August 17th, the Columbus Guards reorganized and elected S. A. Bailey, Captain; John E. Davis, 1st 1847 Lieutenant; R. Ellis, 2d Lieutenant; Joseph King, 3d Lieutenant; W. C. Hodges, 4th Lieutenant; Sergeants-W. G. Andrews 1st, Erastus Reed 2d, F. J. Abbott 3rd, J. M. Hughes 4th; Corporals—J. R. Ivey 1st, A. Ellis 2d, P. Alston 3rd, John King 4th; James Hamilton, Secretary and Treasurer; T. Schoonmaker, Quartermaster. John E. Davis. on account of business, declined the captaincy and also the position of 1st Lieutenant. John Forsyth was then elected 1st Lieutenant.

In October, R. T. Marks was elected Senator, and John Bethune and N. L. Howard, Representatives of Muscogee.

July 10—Mr. Thomas Kimbrough, aged 60, and Mrs. B., wife of A. M. Kimbrough, of Muscogee county.

Aug. 2—Wm. Henry, son of J. N. and Lucy A. Barnett, aged one year and seven days. Aug. 6—Henry Matthews, a native of England, but many years a citizen of this State, aged 46 years.

Sept. 5—Joseph A., infant son of S. C. Lindsay, aged 11 years. Sept. 7—Mrs. Cynthia Ragan, aged 60 years. Sept. 15—Mrs. Lemuel Cherry, aged 32 years. Sept. 27—Joseph Grimes, aged 56 years.

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New Fire Company—Muscogee Rail Road Subscription Ratified—Trades, Professions, &c.

Under an amendment of the charter, the citizens this year, for the first time, elected the Marshal, Deputy Marshal, Treasurer and Clerk. The election was held on the first of January, and resulted as follows: Mayor, S. W. Flournoy; Aldermen—1st Ward, W. Y. Barden, W. S. Holstead; 2d Ward, Harvy Hall; 3d Ward, Jno. Johnson, Joseph Brooks; 5th Ward, S. R. Andrews, Lewis C. Allen; 6th Ward, B. F. Coleman; Marshal, J. M. Hughes; Deputy Marshal, George Gullen; Treasurer, R. H. Green; Clerk, Calvin Stratton. No choice was made at this election for one Alderman each in the 2d and 6th Wards, and two in the 4th. Subsequently, J. A. L. Lee was elected to the vacancy in the 2d Ward; P. A. Clayton of the 4th, and Wm. R. Jones of the 6th, Col. Wm. M. Lee of the 4th.

Council elected A. G. Foster, City Attorney, Thos. Hoxey, City Physician; Wm. W. Martin, Bridge Keeper; Jerry Terry, Sexton; B. Weeks, Clerk of Market; B. Ingram, Hospital Keeper. Board of Health—Dr. T. W. Grimes, President; Joseph King and G. W. Turrentine, of First Ward; S. A. Billing and John Kyle, of Second; Joseph Kyle and Mansfield Torrence, of Third; D. McArthur and J. W. Frost, of Fourth; J. Kivlin and J. L. Morton, of Fifth;

Joseph Wiggins and J. R. Greene, of Sixth. Port Wardens—LeGrande S. Wright, C. E. Mims, B. F. Malone, T. M. Hogan, H. T. Greenwood.

Clerk of Council was paid \$400; Marshals \$500 each; Treasurer \$600; Clerk of Market \$150; Bridge Keeper \$600; City Physician \$260.

Vigilant Fire Company No. 2 was organized this year, and the Fire Department of Columbus was organized by the election of H. T. Hall as Chief Engineer, and B. J. Matthews Assistant. The following were the officers of the two companies constituting the Department: Of Columbus No. 1, R. A. Ware was President; W. Foster, Foreman; I. G. Strupper, Assistant; J. D. Johnson, Secretary; R. H. Greene, Treasurer. No. 2, R. H. Taylor, President; L. T. Woodruff, Foreman; R. T. Brice, Assistant; John H. Davis, Secretary; R. Patten, Treasurer.

The corner stone of Odd Fellows' Hall, near the corner of Oglethorpe and St. Clair streets, was laid on the 29th of January.

On the 2d of February, Council, in accordance with an agreement entered into with the officers of the Muscogee Railroad Company (John G. Winter, President,) subscribed for 1,500 shares in the stock of said company, with the following conditions: Council agreeing to pay quarterly to the Company \$7,500. If the Directors call in stock faster than quarterly the city will issue 7 per cent. bonds to said Company, to be taken at par by it; provided, said Railroad Company put the whole line, from Columbus to Barnesville, on the M. & W. R.R., under contract as soon as practicable, and expend the city money on the west half of said railroad; provided, also, said company receive from citizens, for freight and passage, all the scrip issued by City Council—provided the same shall not exceed \$20. Council shall not subdivide the annual tax.

Subsequently the citizens, by a vote of 339 to 27, approved

terments, the same disease prevailing. In September 19—diarrhea, scarlet fever and worms being most fatal.

The Treasurer reported the receipts of the City Treasury this year \$25,086 39, and the disbursements \$25,079 30. The Treasurer also reported the payment during the year of \$8,963 90 of the indebtedness of the city, and that the debt at the close of the year was about \$35,000.

The receipts of cotton up to the 27th of May amounted to 56,759 bales. We cannot find any report for the balance of the commercial year. The quotation at that time was 4½ to 5½ c.

There was much excitement on account of the frequency of fires, believed to be incendiary, this year. Council offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest of the incendiaries, with proof to convict.

The following were quotations of produce and merchandise in December: Cotton 4½ to 5½c., bagging 22 to 25c. per yard, candles—sperm 35c. per pound, tallow 18 to 20c., coffee—Rio 8 to 9c., Java 12½c., molasses 28 to 30c., corn 35 to 40c., lard 7 to 8c., fodder 50 to 60c., wheat 80c. to \$1, whiskey 27 to 30c., American brandy 45 to 50c., cogniac \$3 to \$4, salt \$2 per sack, brown sugar 7 to 10c., loaf 12½c., nails 5 to 6c., meal 45c., bacon sides and shoulders 5 to 6c., hams 8 to 10 cents.

INCIDENTS.

Council rented the Columbus fisheries to M. N. Clark for the years 1849, 1850 and 1851, and by him they were let to N. P. Foster.

An intelligent Mexican youth who accompanied Col. J. S. Calhoun on his return from the war, was drowned while bathing in the river on Sunday, August 27th. His body was recovered.

During October, Dr. T. W. Grimes, President of the Board of Health, reported the death of 13 whites and 5 blacks.

The Odd Fellow's new Hall was dedicated on Friday, Nov.

17th. Col. S. R. Blake, of Macon, delivered the address. Assupper was given at night by the ladies for the benefit of the Odd Fellow's Institute. Admission \$1 50.

On December 26th, the wooden building owned by Mrs. Shorter, and adjoining her residence on Broad street, was burned.

PERSONAL.

Amos & Jones, Richard Roberson, James Schuyler, Jol n D. Arnold, Gittinger & Barschall, had stalls in the market.

Grigsby E. Thomas, Marshall J. Wellborn, Kennith McKenzie, A. H. Flewellen and Wm. Amos were Trustees of the Muscogee Asylum for the Poor.

Wm. F. Serrell was elected surveyor of Columbus by Council.

R. Sims, Wiley Williams, Hon. W. T. Colquitt, R. H. Clark, Willis A. Hawkins, Hon. M. J. Wellborn, Benj. W. Clark, J. C. Mounger and Thos. C. Speer were admitted to practice law in the Supreme Court in July.

Charles J. Williams was Solicitor General; E. J. Hardin, Clerk of the Court; R. B. Alexander, Judge.

The Grand Jury for the fall term consisted of Lock Weems, Foreman, B. A. Sorsby, J. H. Butt, Robert Boyd, Jacob Parker, Amos Schumpert, James B. Hicks, John Quin, V. R. Tommey, J. M. Read, J. M. Cook, W. A. Chisolm, Robert Carter, Dozier Thornton, J. B. Baird, H. J. Eelbeck, Jonathan Bridges, W. M. Jepson, J. J. Jackson and George W. Jones.

The stockholders of the Muscogee Railroad elected as Directors, J. H. Howard, R. S. Hardaway, R. A. Ware, R. B. Alexander, S. A. Bailey, Harvey Hall, Jas. Wimberly. The Board elected J. H. Howard President.

MARRIAGES.

January 7—Wm. H. Edwards and Sarah Cureton. Jan. 9, Robert W. Windham and Tabitha Smith. Jan. 11, Josiah J. Howell and Frances Jane Harris, John W. Pease and Jane Ann Norman. Jan. 13, Leonard P. Nelson and Catharine Welch, Anderson B. Nelson and Sarah Welch. Jan. 20, Rev.

Oliver R. Blue and Ann E. Howard. Jan. 21, Granville L. Robinette and Cinthia J. Rees. Jan. 27, Chas. S. Harrison and Lucy E. Sturgis. Jan. 30, William W. Barbaree and Sealy Dillard.

February 2—Oscar V. Brown and Martha W. Kimbrough. Feb. 5, Henry Jones and Martha Bradford. Feb. 11, Wm. Freeman and Adaline Dunning. Feb. 17, William H. Alford and Eliza Webb, Abraham Staton and Julia A. Taylor. Feb. 19, Greene Taylor and Mary Ann Tellis. Feb. 27, William Miles and Martha Lindsey, John Barbarra and Christian Hereubee.

. March 1—Jabez Hamlin Whittelsey and Emily Ann Schley. March 2, John B. Vickery and Priscilla Johnson. March 5, Howell Hoti and Lucinda Pitch. March 7, John Martin and Susan Kite, Joseph Brunson and Ann E. Carthidge. March 9, Christian N. Pike and Maranda A. Webb. March 14, Wm. Allen and Nancy Haster. March 16, Nathan Miller and Narcissa Burren. March 19, Richard Williams and Mary Ann McGuist. March 26, James J. Ritch and Jane Fountain. March 22, Francis D. Oliver and Mary Hand. March 23, Richard R. Davis and Mary E. Twilley. March 30, Sam'l C. Dodson and Elizabeth C. Duncan.

April 10—James Griffin and Martha Rogers. April 18, Joseph S. Vickery and Sarah M. Johnson. April 29, Mathew Knight and Epsy Phillips.

May 4—William Hill and Eliza Bryley. May 8, Alouza Balsh and Eliza Caroline McClain.

June 1—Samuel Weaver and Nancy Roberts. June 7, Stephen S. Brooks and Nancy A. Hunley. June 15, James Morgan and Rebecca E. Coffee. June 22, Elijah T. Willis and Mary Ann Dillman. June 28, James S. Collins and Mary Jane Hamil. June 29, Jasper Jones and Mary Bush.

July 1—Samuel Aenchbacker and Rebecca Owens. July 2, Damel A. Woolbright and Martha E. Woolbright. July 9, Benjamin Bryant and Catharine Wilson. July 11, Alexander H. Cooper and Eliza C. Harris. July 25, Robert D. Cox and Eliza A. Cox.

August 10—Harrison Gresham and Nancy Wooton, Benjamin Harvey and Mary E. Cox. August 22, Dr. Alexander L. Martin and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Dart. August 24, Young E. Walters and Susannah Smith, Michael S. Walters and Winnifred Majors.

September 8—Wm. E. Cox and Sarah Ann Margaret Reighley. September 4, William Williams and Elizabeth Wiley. Sept. 6, John Hamilton and Ann M. Jefferson, Samuel Caldwell and Eliza Brown, David W. Hooks and Matilda Catharine Walters. Sept. 7, Elza C. Grant and Nancy Hayes. Sept. 13, David K. Tant and Martha Ann Rounds. Sept. 14, Roswell Ellis and Frances A. Mangham, John H. Davis and Martha Ann Calhoun, John S. Vanpitt and Sarah A. Burnett, John R. Presley and Matilda Driscoll.

October 3—William Ryall and Louisa Baggett. Oct. 15, Nathan H. Short and Malinda Weaver. Oct. 17, James B. Ayres and Eliza Ann Lamb. Oct. 22, William B. Stephens and Sarah M. McMichael. Oct. 29, Claudius S. Lawhon and Ann Jane Bonnell.

November 2—John King and Mary Ann Conner. Nov. 3, David Averett and Mary A. Thompson. Nov. 4, William Miller and Caroline Greene. Nov. 6, John Hurst and Augusta Ann Whipple. Nov. 12, William Champion and Bethany Austin. Nov. 18, George W. Robinson and Ann E. Wood. Nov. 21, Enoch J. Wall and Elizabeth Stringer. Nov. 22, Edward W. Suvell and Maria S. Chapman. Nov. 23, Joel Williams and Eliza Wiley.

December 3—Wiley M. Reeves and Elizabeth Kent. Dec. 6, Whitman C. Alford and Phebe Jane Sammis, James W. Smith and Mary A. Hines, Allen Cowart and Frances A. E. Comer. Dec. 7, Gillum Carpenter and Martha Ann Chase. Dec. 8, Wiley Wamach and Jane Pike. Dec. 13, Eaton P. Miller and Cinthia McVay. Dec. 14, Francis Marion Christopher and Sarah Salina Boyd. Dec. 20, James Howard and Eveline White. Dec. 21, Richard M. Gray and Mary J. W. Hayes. Dec. 26, William T. Shippey and Elizabeth A. Pool.

DEATHS.

February 25-Mrs. Ebenade Adams.

March 8—Captain Moses Butt. March 10—Mrs. Elizabeth Griswold. March 16—Dr. Iddo Ellis.

April 3—Mrs. Caroline Dunn. April 13—Thomas M., infant son of Thos. M. Hogan. April 29—Fanny Blount, infant daughter of Rev. Thos. B. Slade. April 30—Horace, infant son of W. H. Griswold.

May 19-Mrs. Mary Ann, wife of Michael Kelly.

June 1—Ann Elizabeth, infant daughter of William Perry. June 2—Thos. Hoxie, Jr. June 10—Evans Wimberly (of Florida.) June 11—Charles Augustus, infant son of George W. Hardwick. June 21—Rev. Thomas Goulding, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church. June 23—Miss Eliza J. Redd. July 2—Alexander J., son of John Hunley. July 17—Mary Dillard, infant daughter of James Kivlin. July 20—George Pendleton, infant son of Richard Hooper; Mrs. Eliza J. Barden, wife of Wm. Y. Barden. July 25—M:ry Jane, daughter of Noil G. Smith.

Sept. 7—Henry C. McKendree; and on the 9th, Caroline Eliza McKendree—children of John J. McKendree. Sept. 15—Washington Irving, infant son of Joseph E. Webster. Sept. 19—William Frederick, son of G. E. Thomas. Sept. 24—Col. Thomas F. Foster.

Oct. 3—James Franklin Rees. Oct. 23—Miss Mary Jane, daughter of John Lloyd.

Nov. 8-Joseph Alexander (of Pennsylvania.) Nov. 27, Jeremiah Thornton.

1849.

A Year of Manufacturing and Rail Road Enterprises.

The Enquirer of the 2d of January opened the new year with the expression of sanguine hopes for the future of Co-

lumbus, and a brief reference to some improvements then in progress. We copy the article, mainly to show the condition at that time of enterprises since completed, as we are still far from the realization of the anticipations of the paper:

OUR CITY—ITS PROSPECTS—RAILROAD—CAPITAL—MANUFACTURES, &c.—At the commoncement of the new year we look at home and around us with lively hopes and expectations of the future.

The Muscogee Railroad is now fairly on the progress of construction, not upon paper, but over ground. Suffice it to say, that the capital and energy now brought to this work can accomplish anything.

Our Factory improvements are going up beyond our most sanguine expectations, and their success is equaling the most sanguine anticipations of those engaged in them. All that is wanting to make our city not only the Lowell of the South, but of the United States, is capital, and that is rapidly tending towards it.

Col. Farish Carter, long and favorably known to the people of Georgia, not only as a large capitalist, but as a man of great caution and prudence, has now near completion one of the largest class of Factory buildings, and it is said intends immediately to erect another. In these it is his purpose to employ slave labor, thus diverting a portion of this from the production to the manufacture of our great staple. [Slaves were not employed in this Factory.]

We learn with much pleasure that this is now his place of residence. A few more citizens of the same sort, and of similar means and confidence in the value of investments here, and we mean what we say, that more cotton can and will be manufactured at and near Columbus than at any other point in the Union.

The municipal election in January resulted in the choice of Samuel W. Flournoy as Mayor, and the following Aldermen: W. Y. Barden and W. S. Holstead, 1st Ward; Harvey Hall and J. A. Lee, 2d; J. B. Brooks and T. K. Wynne, 3d; P. A. Clayton and M. Woodruff, 4th; L. C. Allen and F. A. Jepson, 5th; F. M. Brooks and A. A. Dill, 6th.

R. H. Greene was elected City Treasurer; C. Stratton, Clerk; J. M. Hughes, Marshal; George Gullen, Deputy Marshal.

Council, at its first meeting, elected David Gunn, Clerk of the Market; Wm. W. Martin, Bridge keeper; B. Ingram, Hospital keeper; Jere Terry, Sexton; R. D. S. Bell, City Attorney; Joseph King, L. M. Durr, N. M. C. Robison, John Kyle, Joseph Kyle, Dr. J. J. Boswell, R. R. Goetchius, Wm. Mathewson, J. L. Morton, John Wooten, J. M. Tarbox and A. J. Abbott, Health Officers; Josiah Morris, T. M. Hogan, L. S. Wright, Daniel McArthur and B. F. Malone, Port Wardens.

The contract system for crossing the bridge was continued to regular passers.

At its meeting on the 9th of January, Council elected John C. Ruse, Wm. K. Schley, V. H. Cady, J. B. Strupper, L. W. Wells and B. F. Coleman, Fire Wardens. Dr. Thos. Hoxey was elected City Physician and President of the Board of Health.

An ordinance, was passed in January, requiring the Mayor to hold a Mayor's Court on Tuesday of each week, and oftener if necessary, and authorizing him to inflict such fines and penalties upon offenders as he may deem just and proper, not exceeding the limits defined by law. The Mayor's salary to be \$500 a year.

In February Council appropriated \$1,000 to the Fire Department, for the purchase of a new fire engine, contingent on the raising of an equal amount by the citizens for the same purpose.

The Committee on Finance reported on the 13th of March: The city receipts from January 14th, 1848, to December 30th, were \$25,086 39, and expenses \$25,079 30, leaving a balance of \$7 09. City owed about \$35,000 exclusive of interest, the principal items of which are loan account to John G. Winter \$16,000; debt to State \$3,500, [collection suspended until 1850;] bonds issued for city bills \$3,500; city bills outstanding \$8,000. Of the \$7,500 of railroad tax asked for by the Muscogee Railroad Company only \$1,366 53 had been collected.

By a fire on the 17th of February, the large two-story building on the northwest corner of Broad and Randolph streets was burned. The building was occupied by Malone & Hudson as a wholesale dry goods and groccry store; by Mr. Simons as a provision store, and by Dr. Woodruff as an office.

Another fire occurred on the 3d of April. The stables of Messrs. Mustian & Mott, with a large quantity of feed for their stock, were destroyed. They saved their horses, stages, &c.

Robt. H. Greene having resigned the office of City Treasurer, Hezekiah Noble was in May elected to that position.

Council, on the 14th and 26th of May, adopted an ordinance authorizing the issue of bonds to the amount of \$150,000, in discharge of the subscription of stock to the Muscogee Railroad Company.

Wiley Williams was in June elected an Alderman of the 5th Ward, vice Lewis C. Allen, resigned.

The "Columbus Factory" Company was incorporated this year, the location of the Factory to be three or four miles above Columbus, on the river. The leading corporators were Charles D. Stewart, J. Fontaine, J. R. Clapp, Henry D. Meigs and George Stewart.

Col. Winter's flouring mills were completed and commenced grinding this year, and a contract was made for the building of Temperance Hall. The corner stone of the latter was laid on the 22d of December. The Masons, Odd Fellows, Sons of Temperance and Cadets took part. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. E. Dawson, of the Baptist Church. Judge G. E. Thomas delivered the address, and Rev. Dr. Carns, of the Episcopal Church, made the closing prayer. James Kivlin was chief marshal of the day. Capt. P. T. Schley conducted the laying of the stone according to the rites and customs of the Masonic fraternity.

The Rock Island Mill, a short distance above the city, on the river, commenced making paper this year.

Authority was given by Council this year, to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Columbus, to build a

church for the negroes of that denomination on the east common. Opposition was made in Council, and an application by a property holder in that vicinity for an injunction to restrain it as a nuisance, was refused by the Superior Court. The location selected was opposite the south corner of St. Clair and Mercer streets.

In September, after the failure of a proposition that the city should do the work, authority was given to Messrs. Greenwood, Ruse, Patten & Brice, H. S. Smith & Co., and R. M. Gunby, to build a plank road from the warehouse of H. S. Smith & Co., to the city wharf, for the hauling of cotton, &c.

We cannot find a full report of the deaths in the city for the whole year. The Sexton's reports for the months named show the following interments: May, eight whites and three blacks; June and July, thirteen whites and nine blacks; August, ten whites and ten blacks; September, nine whites and three blacks; October, nine whites and two blacks.

The receipts of cotton to the 7th of May amounted to 66,738 bales. We cannot find any report for the balance of the season. Prices opened in January at $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 cents, which quotations were but little varied during the spring. In September the quotations were $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $9\frac{1}{4}$ cents, and in December 9 to $9\frac{1}{4}$ cents.

INCIDENTS.

The gin factory of E. T. Taylor was removed from Girard to Columbus.

The steamer Viola, Captain Van Vechten, sunk on her downward passage, at the head of Snake shoals, on February 16th. Cargo saved; boat, owned by commander, was a total loss.

February 22d was celebrated by the Columbus and City Light Guards—the first commanded by Captain Forsyth, and the last by Lieutenant Stanford, and the battalion by the senior Captain, A. H. Cooper. Splendid ball at Concert Hall at night.

Ex-President James K. Polk reached Columbus on March

15th. A large crowd accompanied him from General Lowe's residence, in Harris county. He was conveyed into the city in a carriage drawn by four horses, preceded by a band of music. His wife and nieces followed in a carriage drawn by four gray horses. At the Court-house he was welcomed by Colonel Seaborn Jones, to which he briefly replied. Afterwards he was escorted to the residence of Judge Colquitt. Colonel Mangham, the proprietor, gave a big dinner at the Oglethorpe House with toasts and speeches. The ladies gave a supper in Council Chamber to Mrs. Polk and her nieces. Rain kept many away.

On Monday, May 28th, the steamboat Emily burst a boiler just as she was about leaving her wharf at Apalachicola—only two or three revolutions of her wheel had taken place. There was a full cargo and thirty-five persons on board. Wm. Magner, the watchman, and two negroes were scalded to death, and a white boy named Clark and two negroes were drowned. Several other persons were injured.

The first bale of new cotton was brought in on the 16th of August by Robert Laney—quality, good middling—brought ten cents; stored with Greenwood & Gray.

Master W. Park, aged 16 years, son of the late Dr. Ezekiel E. Park, of Alabama, was killed September 15th, by the accidental discharge of his gun, near Columbus.

PERSONAL.

Henry T. Hall was Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, and B. J. Matthews Assistant. James D. Johnson was Secretary of Fire Company No. 1, and Richard Patten of Fire Company No. 2.

John Johnson, Lewis C. Allen, Wiley Williams, Asa Pond and Kenneth McKenzie were Trustees of the Asylum for the Poor.

Market stalls were rented this year to Mr. Schuyler, Philip Gittinger, Richard Robison, Wm. R. Jones, and J. D. Arnold, leaving several stalls unrented. The aggregate rents for those rented were \$209 a year.

John Forsyth was Postmaster of Columbus the first part of this year, and J. A. L. Lee for the balance of the year.

Wm. F. Serrell was City Surveyor. Miles G. Pope was jailor of the county.

The county elected as Justices of the Inferior Court, A. G. Foster, J. Wimberly, S. R. Andrews, J. M. Renfroe and T. A. Brannon. Tax' Receiver, D. J. Reese. Tax Collector, H. J. Smith.

The following Magistrates were chosen: J. E. Webster and Col. John Quinn for the Lower Town District, with Brown and Ligon as Bailiffs, and J. J. McKendree and J. L. Howell for the Upper Town District, with Lloyd and Nix, Bailiffs.

John Forsyth, Esq., retired from the editorial control of the Columbus *Times*, and was succeeded by Gen. James N. Bethune. The former had been editor of the paper for seven years.

The Methodist Conference, at Augusta, assigned Lovick Pierce as Presiding Elder of the Columbus District, and Samuel Anthony to the pastorate of St. Luke Church, and Harry H. McQueen to the colored charge.

The grand jury of the May Term was composed of Kenneth McKenzie, foreman, John Mullins, S. J. Hatcher, John Jockmass, R. C. Shorter, LeGrand S. Wright, Peter Farrar, J. P. Illges, A. L. Grant, J. J. McKendree, Michael Woodruff, R. S. Stockton, J. H. Kirvin, G. A. Norris, A. M. Walker, P. A. Clayton, D. F. Willcox, R. P. Spencer. Charles J. Williams was Solicitor General, E. J. Hardin, Clerk, and R. B. Alexander, Judge.

The second panel of the Grand Jury of Muscogee County was composed of J. C. Cook, foreman, J. T. Niles, Ed. Birdsong, Benj. Jefferson, F. Toby, J. A. Urquhart, L. S. Wright, Aaron Fergurson, Van Leonard, Asa Pond, Theobold Howard, E. C. Bowen, W. J. Ridgill, Asa Lynch, Daniel McArthur, W. E. Jones, J. K. Redd, R. P. Spencer.

January 3—Robert L. Dent and Elizabeth Williams. Jan. 11, Hugh Peyton'Robinson and Mary Emeline Garrett, Thomas Berge and Sarah Ray. Jan. 18, James T. Flewellen, Esq., and Henrietta H. Fontaine, William Stephens and Sarah Ann Briley. Jan. 25, Elisha P. Greer and Martha F. Baugh, William H. Long and Mary A. Faulkenbury, Lemuel A. Green and Mary E. Day. Jan. 27, Felix M. Harris and Martha Dunn. Jan. 28, William O. Nickleson and Martha E. Leggett.

February 4—Septamus W. Dalton and Maria N. Odom. Feb. 5, Burton Bartwell and Harriet S. Peacock. Feb. 6, James B. Wells and C. A. M. Adams. Feb. 11, Loveless S. Ginn and Martha Elizabeth Henry. Feb. 18, John Pettiss and Elizabeth Bius. Feb. 28, James Vernoy and Mary E. Lawrence.

March 1—Robert B. Helmes and Louisa J. Parramore. March 11, Henry Kent and Mary Ann Jones. March 29, Hugh G. Ivey and Margaret E. Hinton.

April 4—Geo. W. Richardson and Lucy L. Wood. April 10, Moses Land and Salina Huckaby. April 17, Dr. Jos. Jones and Cornelia C. Bethune.

May 1—Thos. Schley and Eliza E. Greene. May 8, John M. Whigham and Mary Ann S. Majors. May 9, Alexander A. Lowther and Mary C. Shaaf. May 10, John Williams and Nancy J. Glawn. May 16, John W. Solomon and Elizabeth J. Covington. May 20, Jeremiah Culpepper and Elizabeth Rowell. May 23, Rhisa Jones and Lucinda Cobb. May 27, Lemuel Cherry, Esq., and Emeline Gunn. May 29, John J. Hickey and Ann S. Prince. May 30, Francis M. Doles and Mary F. Jones.

June 6—James G. Bourt, Esq., and Lucy Ann Spear. June 10, Daniel Fry and Clara Turner, Stephen Bedsale and Harriet Averett. June 11, Ezekiel Cooper and Matilda Graves. June 15, Jesse W. Allen and Frances Odom. June 16, Wm. H. Griswold and Caroline M. Andrews. June 21. William Taylor and Tabitha McNaughton. June 24, Francis Searls and Malvina Terry.

July 3—William Hally and Ann Wood. July 15, Richard D. Sizemore and Mary M. Revel. July 25, William T. Sparks and Jane Morman. July 28, Phillip Jacobs and Mary Jordan.

August 5—Henry B. Treadwell and Martha Holmes. Aug. 7, Enoch Dudley and Martha D. Harris. Aug. 9, James M. Cobb and Susan I. Cobb. Aug. 13, John A. Sutton and Rebecca Williams. Aug. 22, Perry E. Wimberly and Martha E. Christmas.

Sept. 5—Henry Roan and Ann Worsham. Sept. 31, William E. Adams and Elizabeth A. Everett.

October 9—Samuel H. Wiley and Sarah E. Carnes. Oct. 18, Levi Smith and Mary Ann Spears. Oct. 28, John Dees and Nancy Price.

November 8—George Hungerford and Cornelia F. Pond, Dawson A. McRae and Lucy C. Turrentine, James Boland and Elizabeth Culpepper. Nov. 20, John H. Lee and Sophronia E. Walker, Thomas A. Gammell and Mary Odom. Nov. 22, Thomas S. Hays and Margaret F. Robinson. Nov. 27, Lewis S. Mitchell and Frances J. Daniel. Nov. 28, John A. Johnston and Elizabeth

A. Saul. Nov. 29, Samuel A. Whigham and Sarah A. Lawson, Charles P. King and Susan Brown.

December 6—Bartlett W. Whitehurst and Nancy A. Ennis, William N. King and Mary A. Covington, Nehemiah Stephens and Eliza McCullers. Dec. 7, Lemuel T. Downing and Caroline L. Urquhart. Dec. 9, James J. Todd and Elizabeth Decker. Dec. 12, John Culbertson and Elizabeth Simmons, Riley F. Ray and Frances P. Beler. Dec. 16. William Shaw and Sarah V. C. Pope, William R. Searls and Sarah Scott. Dec. 17, Daniel Griffin and Rebecca E. Monkey. Dec. 20, Lafayette Harp and Callie King. Dec. 24, David Henry and Sarah Williams. Dec. 25, Hiram Uldrick and Matilda Green. Dec. 26, Jacob Fussell and Mary J. Harrison. Dec. 31, Charles Williams and Amanda Payne.

DEATHS.

February 4-Mrs. Frances E. Farrior, of Monigomery, Alabama.

April 30-Miss Martha Jane Cox, of Troup county.

May 21—Eva, infant daughter of Col. Hines Holt; also, on the same day, Hines, infant son of Col. Holt.

June 16—Mrs. Mary A. E. Norton. June 17, P. T. Schley, son of Dr. Wm. K. Schley of Columbus—killed by the explosion of a can of camphené, in Oxford, Ga.

July 2—Clara Rosalia, daughter of Wm. Perry. July 8, William Salisbury, aged 46 years. July 11, Mrs. Eloise, wife of Thos. B. Goulding. July 14, John James Sullivan. July 23, Anna Rosina, infant daughter of Jacob Fogle. July 24, William P. Malone, in the 48th year of his age.

August 13-Mrs. Clara Meigs, widow of Prof. Josiah Meigs.

October 11—D. B. Prescott, aged 35 years. October 20, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown.

November 1—Gen. Nicholas Howard, in the 63rd year of his age. Nov. 12, George W., son of Charles E. Mims. Nov. 25, Mrs. Elizabeth N. Daniel, wife of Wm. Daniel. Nov. 26, George W. Hardwick, one of the proprietors of the *Enquirer*, in the 31st year of his age.

1850.

Progress of the Mobile and Girard R. R.-A Quiet Year.

The following officers of the municipal government were elected on the 5th of January: Mayor, Willis S. Holstead. Aldermen—1st Ward, S. F. Grimes and J. W. Warren; 2d,

J. A. Urquhait and N. McRobinson; 3d, T. K. Wynne and Theo. Stewart; 4th, R. C. Shorter and S. R. Andrews; 5th, F. M. Brooks and Alex. Lowther; 6th, A. A. Dill and J. M. Traywick. Treasurer, J. L. Howell; Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Marshal, T. M. Hogan; Deputy, George Gullen. Salaries of Mayor and Clerk of Council were made \$500 each; Treasurer, \$600; Marshal and Deputy Marshal, \$560 each; Clerk of Market, \$150; City Physician, \$350; Bridgekeeper, \$600.

City Council elected the following: Clerk of Market, Thos. Nix; Sexton, Jeremiah Terry; Bridge-keeper, Wm. W. Martin; City Physician, J. F. Bozeman; Hospital-keeper, Burnet Ingram; Attorney, A. G. Foster. Health officers: W. Y. Barden and L. Livingston, 1st Ward; R. A. Ware and S. A. Billing, 2d; Joseph Kyle and M. Torrance, 3d; E. Dudley and W. Matthewson, 4th; W. C. Cooper and John Wooten, 5th; T. R. Herrandyne and John Munn, 6th. Port Wardens: I. T. Robinson, J. C. Brewer, J. W. Frost, J. M. Hughes and G. W. Cowdery.

The Finance Committee reported that the total receipts of the city treasury for the year 1849 were \$22,675 53, and the total disbursements \$22,159 49. They reported the total liabilities of the city \$22,724 (of which the larger item, \$8,000, was an indebtedness to John G. Winter,) and the total resources, including bridge tolls and taxes to be collected for the year, \$22,140.

Some nuisances were not easily abated under the "peculiar and careful" tactics then understood, as appears from the minutes of Council. In January, Alderman Brooks announced that a "house of ill fame" had been opened in the old Theatre building on Crawford street, "under the auspices and management of Mr. Jones," to the great annoyance of families in the neighborhood; and he moved that a committee be appointed to inquire into the facts and report. At a subsequent meeting the committee reported that "after a careful and laborious examination" they had satisfied themselves that "there was something decidedly rotten in Denmark; but

from the peculiar and careful manner in which the implicated party conduct themselves, it will be impossible to reach the accused in the manner now pursued;" and the matter appears to have been dropped.

The Assessors appointed to value the city property reported the total valuation \$1,390,825, not including about \$250,000 not taxed.

City taxes this year—on real estate, one-fourth of one per cent.; on every \$100 worth of merchandise sold, 20 cents; poll tax \$1, &c. There was also an extra tax of one-fifth of one per cent. on all town property, one-twentieth of one per cent. on sales of merchandise, one-fourth of one per cent. on banks, &c., 25c. on polls, and one-eighth of one per cent. on slaves, to pay interest on railroad bonds.

The work of surveying for the track of the Mobile & Girard Railroad was progressing this year. The Enquirer of the 2d of July reported one hundred and sixty miles of the route then surveyed by Engineer Cooper, accompanied by the President, Maj. R. S. Hardaway; also that subscriptions obtained along the route exceeded the most sanguine anticipations. The grading of the road for a distance of 150 miles from Girard had all been taken. [Not completed yet!] The officers of the Company were R. S. Hardaway, President; W. B. Harris, Secretary; Gen. Anderson and James Abercombie of Russell, John Egerton of New Orleans, Wm. A. Hardaway of Mobile, and R. S. Hardaway of Columbus.

John Munn was elected an Alderman of Ward 6, in the place of Ald. Traywick removed from the ward.

A special election was held on the 2d of November for a Marshal and two Aldermen to fill vacancies. N. Mc. Robinson was elected Marshal, J. W. King Alderman for the 3rd Ward, and H. H. Epping Alderman for the 5th Ward. Robt. A. Ware was elected an Alderman of 2d Ward in November, in place of Alderman Robinson elected Marshal.

The receipts of cotton up to the 15th of June amounted to 59,519 bales. Prices 10‡ to 11‡c.

The Rock Island Paper Mills commenced supplying the city press with newspaper about the first of this year.

The Southern Sentinel was started in January, by Wm. H. Chambers, Esq., to whom Dr. Andrews had sold the Democrat. The Enquirer and Times were the other city papers.

Cotton was quoted at 11 to 12½c. in January, and declined a little during the spring.

The steamer H.S. Smith, with a cargo of one thousand bales of cotton, was entirely consumed by fire on the night of the 24th of March, at Fontaine's Landing on the Chattahoochee. Gen. Irwin was drowned in jumping overboard, and three negroes were either drowned or burned.

An Agricultural Fair, that attracted much interest, was held in Columbus on the 20th, 21st and 22d of November.

Royal Wright, son of David Wright, Esq., was killed on the 23d of November, in a rencontre with a man named Robinson. Robinson was from Atlanta.

Cotton in December was quoted at 11 to 121c.

PERSONAL.

W. P. Baker, H. T. Hall, Dr. W. K. Schley, J. B. Strupper, L. W. Wells, and B. F. Coleman were Fire Wardens.

B. J. Mathews was Chief Engineer, and A. Porter, Assistant, of the Fire Department; J. B. Strupper, Foreman of Co. 1, and J. H. Merry, Assistant; H. T. Hall, Foreman of No. 2, and L. T. Woodruff, Assistant; Thos. L. Larus, Foreman of No. 3, and Sam. W. King, Assistant.

On January 7th, the Muscogee Railroad stockholders reelected as directors, Major J. H. Howard, R. S. Hardaway, Dr. R. A. Ware, Gen. S. A. Bailey, Judge R. B. Alexander, Harvey Hall and Major James Wimberly.

The County election came off January 7th, and resulted as follows; F. A. Jepson, for Sheriff, by 26 majority over F. G. Wilkins; E. J. Hardin, Clerk Superior Court, by 29 over P. A. Clayton; Isaac Mitchell, Clerk of Inferior Court, over Tillery and W. M. Reeves; D. J. Rees, Tax Receiver, over

Fergurson; Noble, Tax Collector, over Edwards; J. B. Hicks, over Terry, for Coroner; Serrell for Surveyor.

On Saturday, February 9th, Alex. C. Morton was elected 2d Lieutenant, I. C. Chandler, 3rd, and R. D. S. Bell, 4th, of the City Light Guards. A. H. Cooper was Captain.

The Annual Georgia M. E. Conference was held at Marietta. S. Anthony was appointed Presiding Elder of the Columbus District, and Lovick Pierce and Joseph S. Key at Columbus.

MARRIAGES.

January 1—Samuel D. Harp and Sarah C. McCook. Jan. 3, Mason A. Bush and Charlotte Bedsole. Jan. 6, Shadrick Smith and Jane Walls. Jan. 8, John W. Patterson and Cornelia A. McMurray. Jan. 9, James Turnage and Elizabeth Hyatt, Nathan M. Brickhouse and Cecilia Bugg. Jan. 10, William T. Lawson and Susan A. Blankenship, John T. W. Coleman and Emily G. Horn. Jan. 17, Samuel Backman and Mary M. Tilley, William T. Whitton and Penelope Elder. Jan. 18, James Butler and Elizabeth Screws. Jan. 23, John Ligon and Mary E. Ridenhour. Jan. 24, Henry P. Fisher and Martha E. Fitner. Jan. 25, James Bailey and Emily Tipton. Jan. 27, John O. Maguirt and Jane Massey. Jan. 30, Alexander M. Wynn and Maria C. Howard.

February 5—James H. Bozeman and Sarah A. E. Stanfield. Feb. 6, Wm. J. Kellett and Emily Norman. Feb. 13, George S. Davis and Mary D. Warren. Feb. 14, David Dean and Nancy A. Glenn. Feb. 18, James A. Farley and Sarah E. Hoxey. Feb. 19, Wm. H. Munro and Louisa Cobb. Feb. 21, Levi Whatly and Mary A. Screws.

March 3—Michael H. Durr and Mary V. McGehee. March 10, John W. C. Baily and Elizabeth Benton. March 11, Wm. Yearty and Sarah Lockhart. March 13, James H. Renfroe and Elizabeth Crouch. March 17, Isaiah Willett and Sarah Maddox. March 20, William F. Fincher and Mary Hyatt. March 24, Jonathan P. Cordery and Mary Rowell.

April 1—Robert Barker and Mary Hackney. April 2, William G. Beckwith and Emma L. Hicks. April 3, George W. Woodruff and Virginia Lindsey. April 7, Asa Newsom and Nancy A. Chapman. April 14, Martin G. West and Sarah A. Morris. April 18, John Jewell and Martha Gulledge. April 24, John L. Terry and Julia A. L. Land. April 26, Charles W. Westmoreland and Sarah E. Burns.

May 1—Timothy Markham and Nancy Ligon. May 3, Enoch Fussell and Mary E. Morgan. May 5, Frank L. Mason and Lucinda Sanders, George W. Clark and Lurana F. Ivey. May 8, Henry J. Lamar and Valina B. Jones. May 11, Newsom Randall and Penelope C. Ratliff. May 12, James Welch and Louisa Maddox. May 16, Hugh R. Rodgers and Tabitha A. Miller. May 28, Oliver Danforth and Emma A. Nagle, Joseph C. Brewer and Ellen

A. Fleming, May 29, Benjamin F. Markrum and Sarah Ann Ennis. May 30, John W. Hewell and Sophronia E. Harp.

June 2—William W. Morgan and Lucinda Williams. June 6, Joseph King and Harriet R. Bell. June 13, Ambrose Nix and Mary J. Edwards. June 19, John Hughes and Ann B. Cox. June 20, Thomas Hunt and Mary Renfroe. June 23, John Jackson and Maria King.

July 3—James Ligon and Sarah A. Tommey, Samuel M. Carter and Emily L. Colquitt. July 7, Andrew J. McKenzie and Catharine Barbaree. July 11, Abraham Odom and Eliza A. English. July 12, John Newberry and Laney Robinson. July 13, Charles L. Geer and Matilda Hatcher. July 16, Lewis S. McCall and Ann Morris, Charles T. Cushman and Jane A. W. Shaw. July 18, Irving Watkins and Lucretia J. Napier. July 23, William Dubois and Elizabeth E. Craig. July 24, Geo. A. Christian and Salina Shofner, Stephen B. Dean and Margaret L. Cunning. July 31, William Wooton and Betsey Stephens. July 4, Thos. I. Patrick and Elsey Waters.

Angust 13—John M. Traywick and Minerva E. Thompson. Aug. 14, Edward S. Martin and Margaret J. Culpepper. Aug. 15, John R. Merritt and Susan Proctor. Aug. 18, William Tillery and Mary E. Waters, Charles J. Davenport and Martha A. E. Gibson. Aug. 21, Elias Sanders and Sarah A. Bartlett. Aug. 27, Walker P. Jones and Frances McNaughton.

September 1—Lewis Moody and Lucinda Langley, Thomas H. Reynolds and Mary F. Boring. Sept. 4, William M. Allen and Delilah Odom. Sept. 5, Orman Oliver and Nancy Williamson. Sept. 7, Obadiah Whittenton and Mary A. Newsom. Sept. 8, John T. Damill and Lucinda Ougle. Sept. 12, Andrew J. Ousley and Martha A. Jordan, Davie G. W. Davis and Elizabeth P. Moss. Sept. 19, John C. Lewis and Martha Fletcher. Sept. 22, Jesse Wall and Susan Harvell. Sept. 23, Wm. H. Sauls and Sarah J. Brown. Sept. 24, Rufus Carr and Gasoline Griffin. Sept. 26, Joseph J. Painter and Rebecca J. Osborn, John Martin and Eleanor G. Wood.

October 8—William H. Hinson and Elizabeth A. Luker. Oct. 8, John G. Hortman and Frances Rees. Oct. 9, Abner H. Flewellen and Sarah E. Hardaway. Oct. 15, Henry Rees and Pallentine Ivey. Oct. 16, Isaac C. Chandler and Sarah M. Thomas, John Brittenham and Lucinda Dennis. Oct. 17, Richard Williams and Rachel A. Rodgers. Oct. 20, John Flynn and Sarepta Helms. Oct. 23, Richard H. Lockhart and Arabella J. Howard. Oct. 24, Christopher C. Morgan and Adaline Culpepper. Oct. 26, Thomas W. Peddy and Elizabeth Maynor. Oct. 31, John L. Parker and Nancy K. Edwards.

November 5—Mijamon Moon and Sarah A. G. Paul, Thomas M. Towler and Sarah E. Boland. Nov. 7, Joseph McCall and Mary Drenon. Nov. 10, George W. Cobb and Mary Berry. 13, William Welch and Catharine Nelson. 14, John Byard and Sarah Cooper. 23, Walter C. Manning and Rebecce M. Shellman. 27, James W. Warren and Sarah V. Howard, Wiley Adams and Sarah A. E. Tooke.

December 5—Presley Tillery and Lucinda Dukes, S. M. J. Wimberly and Mary A. Pickett. Dec. 11, Daniel B. Bird and Mary V. Butt. Dec. 12, Wm.

B. Willis and Lucinda J. McLendon. Dec. 13, Matthias Barringer and Sarah Pryor. Dec. 15, Samuel J. Flemming and Eliza Culpepper. Dec. 18, Grisham Scroggins and Mary A. E. Daukins, William P. Aubry and Rosa M. Forsyth, David H. Wynn and Mary F. Dennis. Dec. 23, George S. Cary and Margaret S. Thweatt. Dec. 24, Drewery Pate and Martha Ivey. Dec. 29, Jonathan Cordery and Angelina Wall. Dec. 30, Michael L. Walters and Haner A. M. Webb.

SEXTON'S REPORT OF DEATHS.

January 2—Mr. Benson, aged 40 years; 4, child of John Kelly; 4, Frances A. Duffle, aged, 40; 9, Sarah Ann Holt, aged 29; 10, Elizabeth Sanders, aged 62; 12, Wm. H. Ayer, aged 10; 15, Rudolph H. Ayer, 12; 15, child of Mr. Gammel; 20, Patrick Gellen, aged 13; 31, George W. Turrentine; 31, Hon Wm. Griggs. Also 5 negroes in January.

(We find no report for February.)

March 6—Peggy Dodson, aged 50; 9, Ann Murdock, aged 30; 16, John Schaeffer, aged 40. Also 3 negroes in this month.

April 1—John Williams, aged 30 years; 2, child of Mrs. Moore; 6, Richard Yarborough, 43; 8, child of M. Stephens; 9, Wm. Tarbutton, aged 40; 10, child of Mr. Mariner; 19, child of Mr. McElrath, aged 1; 25, Amanda Byard, aged 25; 29, Elizabeth Hall, aged 45. Also 6 negroes in this month.

May 5—Child of C. Wise, aged 5 months; 5, child of Mr. King, aged 1 year; 6, Abraham Clark, aged 5; 6, child of Mrs. Hooper; 8, child of O. Anderson, aged 1; 9, Abram Curry, aged 67; 9, Benj. Sutton, aged 20; 22, Ellen Mobley, aged 20; 26, Susan Kent, aged 49; 30, child of Mrs. Hooper, aged 10. Also 4 negroes in this month.

DEATHS.

(FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.)

May 18-Mrs. M. F. Weems, wife of Locke Weems.

June 5—Mrs. Kimbrough, wife of Wm. H. Kimbrough. June 6, Mrs. E. A. Billups. June 24, Mary Jane, infant daughter of E. H. Musgrove.

July 10—Mrs. Eleanor M. S. Ector. July 11, Mary Elizabeth, infant child of Peter K. Edgar. July 14, Thos. Bostwick, aged 30 years.

August—Wm. B. Christian. August 9, Mrs. Harriet, wife of Peter K. Edgar.

September 7—Patrick Tiervey, aged 24. Sept. 10, John M. S. Brooks, aged 24. Sept. 10, (at Savannah) Nelson McLester, of Columbus. Sept. — David M. Clarke. Sept. 22, Mrs. Sarah A., wife of H. S. Smith. Sept. 23, Willis M. Reeves.

October. 11—Cosam Emir Bartlett, aged 57 years (formerly editor of a Columbus paper.) Oct. 22, Mathew Brannon.

November 12—Miss Julia H. Pledge, in the 15th year of her age. Nov. 27, Mrs. E. A. Redd, wife of Wm. Redd, Sr.

December 13—Philip, infant son of Thos. Schley. Dec. —, John Neuffer, aged 79. Dec. 30, William Holtzolaw.

1851.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Water Works Agitated—Subscription to Mobile & Girard R. R.

The city officers elected on the first Saturday in January were Willis S. Holstead, Mayor; Aldermen—1st Ward, Thomas B. Slade and Lewis M. Durr; 2d, John A. Urquahart and R. A. Ware; 3rd, John H. Madden; 4th, Samuel R. Andrews and John M. Trawick; 5th, A. A. Lowther and Wm. Mahaffey; 6th, A. A. Dill. Subsequently, Wm. Mathewson was elected an Alderman of the 6th Ward, and J. W. King of the 3rd Ward. Calvin Stratton was elected Clerk; Jordan L. Howell, Treasurer; N. Mc. Robinson, Marshal; George Gullen, Deputy Marshal.

Council elected Thos. Nix, Clerk of the Market; Wm. W. Martin, Bridge Keeper; Dr. F. A. Stanford, City Physician; Burnet Ingram, Hospital Keeper; Adam G. Foster, City Attorney; Jere Terry, Sexton. Health officers—John Kyle, J. F. Bozeman, Mansfield Torrence, Thad. Sturgis, M. Woodruff, J. W. Frost, Wm. C. Cooper, J. L. Morton, John Munn, Michael N. Clark. Port Wardens—Thos. M. Hogan, F. G. Wilkins, R. C. Shorter, J. C. Brewer, James McGuire.

A. Porter was Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, and J. L. Morton Assistant; J. B. Strupper, Foreman, and Wm. Snow, Assistant of No. 1; H. T. Hall, Foreman, and J. Barrenger, Assistant of No. 2; T. P. Larus, Foreman, and W. L. Salisbury, Assistant of No. 3. Fire Company No. 1 numbered 61 men; No. 2, 38 men; No. 3, 24 men. Each had an engine.

The Finance Committee in April reported the total liabilities of the city, \$25,175, and the probable revenue of the year, \$23,475.

Reuben C. Shorter was in April elected an Alderman of the 4th Ward, in the place of Alderman Trawick, removed from the city; and Wm. Brooks elected in May an Alderman of the 6th Ward, vice Alderman Dill, removed. At its meeting on the 12th of July, Council granted to the manufacturing companies and sundry citizens, petitioners, authority to erect a foot bridge across the river, opposite the Howard Factory, but reconsidered and rejected it at another meeting. This project was never consummated, and in a few years afterwards what is known as the "upper bridge" was built near the locality named.

The population of Columbus, according to the United States census taken this year, was—free 3,684, slave, 2,258—total, 5,942. The whole population of Muscogee county was 18,623, of which 10,447 were whites, and 8,176 slaves. The amount of capital then invested in manufactures was \$841,517, of which there was invested in the manufacture of cotton and wool, \$493,000.

On the 26th of July a committee of Council reported upon the practicability of supplying the city with a sufficiency of pure and wholesome water. They reported that they had, "for reasons deemed sufficient," abandoned all the plans proposed except one, which was the introduction of water from neighboring springs by pipes. They submitted a report from Engineer L. W. Dubois, to the effect that water enough, and of good quality, could be obtained from springs on the Summerville heights, on the Alabama side. But the committee did not recommend this, for the reason that the sources of the supply were in "another jurisdiction." Council appointed a committee to ascertain whether and on what terms the water on the Alabama side could be had for the use of the city.

In October the committee reported other surveys and estimates made by Mr. Dubois—one for bringing the water of the river from Lover's Leap, the other for bringing it from Wynn's Hill. The cost of bringing the water to the city from Lover's Leap was estimated at \$28,282 06, from Wynn's Hill \$32,668 75; works at the city for the former \$25,842 92, for the latter \$30,937 35.

Wm. Mahaffey was elected Marshal in October.

At a public meeting held on the 4th of November, the citi-

zens voted authority to the Council to subscribe \$150,000 to the stock of the Girard Railroad Co., on the assurance that with this subscription to buy rails, &c., the road would be promptly put into running order as far as Chunnenuggee; and on the 5th of November Council appointed a committee to confer with the Directors of the road and arrange all the details of the subscription. On the 25th of November, the committee reported an agreement with the Directors of the road which Council unanimously ratified. The Council reserved the right to connect with the road by means of a bridge across the river, and to have the trains of the road run across it.

Theopholis Stewart of the 3rd, and John Lloyd of the 5th Ward, were elected Aldermen in November.

Large private subscriptions for plank roads to Greenville and to Lumpkin were made by citizens this fall. But Council, while admitting the importance of these roads, declined to take stock, on account of existing indebtedness.

On the 9th of December, Council resolved to loan the Muscogee Railroad \$75,000 of the city's bonds, taking a mortgage on the road as security.

On the 31st of December, trains commenced running over twenty miles of the Muscogee Railroad, then finished, from the Columbus terminus. Connecting stages ran to Oglethorpe and to Barnesville.

INCIDENTS.

Temperance Hall was "dedicated" on the night of the 8th of January, with interesting ceremonies. "Uncle Dabney Jones," the great apostle of Temperance, delivered an address.

Milton Robbins this year established a ropewalk in Girard. The postoffice was this year removed to the large brick building corner of Randolph and Oglethorpe streets, where it remained until the building was destroyed by fire.

An engine was placed on the Columbus end of the Muscogee Railroad in April, but the road had not then been finished to Fort Valley. The ladies aided, but we have not found to what extent, in raising the money for the purchase of this engine, by a fair held in March.

A great revival of religion was manifested in the city this year. Meetings were continued for a month or six weeks at the Methodist church, and more than two hundred persons professed religion.

An Agricultural Fair held in Temperance Hall in November was pronounced quite a success.

The receipts of cotton to the 21st of June amounted to 55,-659 bales. Prices—in January, 11 to 12½ c.; in April, 7 to 10c.; in October, 6 to 6½c.; in December, 6½ to 7½c.

PERSONAL.

H. Noble was Tax Collector, and James Fergurson Tax Receiver of Muscogee county.

The Georgia M. E. Conference, which met in Savannah, sent Rev. W. M. Crumley to Columbus, and appointed Rev. S. Anthony, Presiding Elder of the Columbus District. Rev. T. Bermingham was the Catholic Priest at Columbus.

The following persons rented stalls in the Market this year: Wm. R. Jones, P. Gittinger, Arnold & Robertson, E. B. W. Spivey, Richard Robertson, Charles Bize, Alex. W. Robertson. The aggregate amount which they rented for was \$237 50.

MARRIAGES.

January 1—Leonard R. Cooley and Julia A. Henly. Jan. 2, Wesley P. Williams and Mary A. Chapman, George S. Martin and Elizabeth Gammell. Jan. 3, James P. Russell and Margaret Rowell, William Wilkinson and Mary A. Cordery. Jan. 7, Pleasant Odom and Elizabeth McKenzie. Jan. 8, Jesse H. Wyatt and Emily Rentfroe. Jan. 9, Elisha A. Jackson and Frances E. Morris, John W. Watkins and Eliza A. Massey. Jan. 11, Daniel Wilkinson and Elizabeth Browning, Jesse T. Sutton and Caroline Osteen. Jan. 23, Edward H. Bernhard and Ann E. Hemphill, Wright McCook and Ruhama Harp. Jan. 29, William M. Maxley and Emily M. Beck. Jan. 30, David Jones and Rebecca A. Newberry.

February 6—James F. Bozeman and Evaline A. Chambers. Feb. 11, John W. Payne and Lurany Jones. Feb. 16, Walton Doles and Sarah Buckler. Feb. 18, John Bunnell and Louisiana J. Osteen.

March 6.—William J. Wright and Martha Simmons. March 13, Elijah Morgan and Sophy A. F. Lanier. March 20, Amos R. Nelson and Sarah J. Willett, Green J. Mann and Susan Ann Kite, James Bonner and Martha A. Smith. March 25, George W. Lovett, and Sarah Brassill, Clark P. Lanier and Sarah F. Chapman. March 26, Jacob Hydrick and Martha Bugg.

MARRIAGES.

April 1—Gilbert Kent and Sarah Lawrence. April 15, William J. Harrell and Harriet Cordery. April 16, John T. Pry and Epsy A. Bush. April 20, James M. Cobb and Isabella Lee. April 24, Benjamin Brown and Janet Stephens. April 29, Thomas E. Motley and Harriet Moore.

May 4—Jacob H. Faulkenbury and Artamesia A. Stephens. May 6, Lycurgus Madox and Sarah A. Kent. May 8, William Jones and Martha A. Stephens, John H. Glanton and Elizabeth Welch. May 13, Barney Barnes and Sarah E. Mitchell. May 14, Milledge G. McKennie and Louisiana F. Warren. May 22, Elijah Vickers and Ariadna A. Evans. May 25, Milton A. Smith and Henrietta H. Goulding. May 27, Everard H. Abercombie and Pauline Lewis. May 28, Robert H. Sullivan and Mahulda Jordan. May 31, William M. Hale and Harriet Welch.

June 1—John Clark and Mary A. Alford, Edward F. Rogers and Isabella Mann. June 5, George W. Fisher and Frances A. Wimberly. June 11, James Caulfield and Elizabeth Locklier. June 12, Thomas Summergill and Mary McCallister. June 19, Thomas J. Brown and Frances Bowen. June 22, Alexander Hall and Lucinda George. June 25, Lyman B. Townsley and Mary J. Peabody. June 26, James R. McDonald and Mary J. McNeal.

July 1—Jeremiah Gammell and Arabella A. A. Reynolds. July 3, Neil McMillen and Rhoda A. Moon, George Stein and Mary Blankenship, Simeon Weldon and Nancy J. Taylor. July 5, John J. Ingram and Julia A. Perry. July 8, Jacob Neagle and Mary Madden. July 12, Eli Frost and Frances Goen. July 15, Benjamin F. Graves and Sarah H. Sauls. July 21, James H. McMicken and Nancy Copeland. July 22, Edwin G. Thornton and Martha F. B. Jones.

Angust 6—Henry W. Verstille and Ellen J. Lockhart, Anthony Martin and Frances Allum, Andrew Gaskey and Julia Algood, August 7, John W. King and Mary J. Kimbrough. August 14, John J. Collins and Rebecca Kerbo. August 17, William W. Stewart and Susan J. Roberts. August 21, Isham Turner and Mary J. Jemison. August 24, William M. Taylor and Sarah J. Robinson.

September 7—Seaborn Bryant and Frances Garrett. Sept. 11, Samuel P. Leggett and Martha A. Johnson, Washington Watkins and Mary A. Whitton. Sept. 16, Eugene A. Smith and Frances A. Reese. Sept. 17, H. H. McQucen and Mary E. Rudledge. Sept. 22, James D. Britt and Mary A. Pomeroy. Sept. 25, William H. Harris and Sarah A. King, William C. Daniel and Cornelia M. Phelps. Sept. 30, Joseph J. Jones and Caroline E. Lloyd, Thomas D. Fortson and Georgia E. Mealing.

October 2—James T. Norman and Mary E. Dean. October 8, William R. Brown and Mariah E. Broadnax. Oct. 9, Adolphus D. Metts and Mary Ball.

Oct. 15, George T. Hurt and Nancy J. Flewellen. Oct. 16, James O. A. Tucker and Martha E. Dyer. Oct. 23, Elisha F. Garrett and Elizabeth H. Robinson. Oct. 27, Daniel G. Watson and Evaline Keiner. Oct. 31, John W. Mardis and Susan J. Smith.

November 3—William Boyd and Mahulda McGowen. November 6, Benjamin A. Fussill and Sidney A. F. Osteen. November 9, Green S. Childs and Frances A. Napier, John H. Walsingham and Eliza A. O'Quin. November 16, John W. Whytal and Charlotte A. Kidder. November 25, Isaiah Willett and Sarah Clark. November 27, James N. Fussell and Zilpha L. Hall, Benjamin Ryans and Celia A. Tinnon. Nov. 30, Wentworth S. Marble and Hannah E. Chase

December 2—Thos. Duffield and Amanda Johnson, James A. Bell and Caroline E. Brown. December 3, Arnold Seals and Eleanor A. Reid. December 4, William J. Chapman and Sarah J. Tinnon, Benjamin F. Wallace and Cynthia A. E. Morrell. December 7, John Ward and Mary S. Cary, William T. Webster and Sarah A. Wiggins. December 11, David Jones and Henrietta Tarver, John B. Jones and Creecy A. Cobb, James Pierce and Eliza Gilbert, Richard E. Jones and Elizabeth Jones. December 14, Francis J. Abbott and Martha G. Garrison. December 18, Sanders E. Echols and Martha E. Perry. December 19, Robert Johnson and Ann M. Sinclair. December 21, William Waters and Margaret A. Hunter. December 23, James J. W. Biggers and Caroline E. Williams, Horace Mathews and Elizabeth Dennis. December 25, Robert Knowles and Martha J. Hammock, Thomas Reynolds and Nancy F. Reynolds.

SEXTON'S REPORT OF DEATHS.

January 3—Jesse King, aged 51 years. Jan. 3, James Welch, 49 years. Jan. 5, Alex. Flewellen, 8 years. Jan. 10, T. Smith's child, 1 year. Jan. 10, H. He'll's child, 1 year. Jan. 13, George Sherwood, 86 years. Jan. 18, Perry Robison, 21 years. Jan. 25, Thomas Lee, 26 years. Jan. 26, Mrs. Adou, 68 years. Jan. 30, Sarah Barringer, 28 years. Also 3 negroes in January.

February 4—Jane L. Marks, aged 64 years. Feb. 10, child of Mr. Harp, aged 1 day. Feb. 12, child of Wm. F. Luckie, aged 8 months. Feb. 13, child of Mr. Newberry, 5 months. Feb. 15, Robert B. Alexander, 40 years. Feb. 21, Eliza Robinson, 31 years. Feb. 22, Wm. E. Robinson, 37 years. Feb. 28, Martha Mims, 74 years.

March 9—Mary Ann Corry, 62 years. March 9, Martin J. Kendrick, 22 years. March 11, Bridget Hudson, 41 years. March 14, Patrick Clark, 48 years. March 15, Wm. Brown, 52 years. March 16, Caroline Stein, 26 years. March 16, James Osborn, 56 years. March 22, Joseph Meredith, 51 years. March 24, Emeline Crews, 18 years. March 24, Thomas McCarty, 53 years.

April 1—Caroline Burton, 38 years; ——Chapman, 9 years; George C. Hooper, 41 years. April 4, Wiley G. Roper, 41 years; Sarah Willett, 17 years. April 5, John Winn, 51 years. April 7, child of Col. Wyley, 2 years. April 8, James Shaw, 52 years; John Brooks, 6 years. April 12, Matilda Packman, 19 years. April 13, Mary Hammock, 19 years. April 18, John C.

Leitner, 89 years; child of Mrs. Packman, aged 7 days. April 22, child of John Brown, 1 year. April 24, child of Mr. King, 7 days. April 25, child of Sterling F. Grimes, 10 days. April 28, child of Thos. Herendine, 2 years; child of Samantha George, 8 years; child of Mr. Bobitt, 1 year. April 29, child of Mr. Willett, 1 year. April 30, Solomon Curlee, 8 years. Also 7 slaves in February, and 4 in March.

May 16—child of George W. Winter, aged 5 months. May 20, Benjamin Napier, 6 years. May 21, child of Henry Teasdale, 1 year. May 25, child of S. B. Harvill, 1 year; child of W. T. Colquitt, 1 year. May 27, Jennette Veaneman, 6 years. May 30, Parmelia Wilkins, 36 years. Also 6 alayes in May.

June 3—Jane Busbee, aged 26 years. June 13, child of R. Hooper, 2 years. June 14, Isabella Holly, 17 years. June 15, —— Hickey, 35 years. June 23, Richard A. Long, 31 years. June 24, child of John Byard, 3 weeks. June 30, James Bishop, 26 years. Also 10 slaves in June.

July 1—Miss Jackson, aged 51 years. July 4, child of Mr. Renfroe, 1 month. July 9, child of Mr. Burbee, 2 years. July 15, Sarah A. Riley, 26 years. July 18, James Bryant, 17 years. July 22, child of A. Backer, 1 year. July 23, Clara Hamill, 15 years. July 26, Stephen Gilpin, 18 years. July 30, Henry Madden, 33 years. Also 6 slaves in July.

August 2—Templeton Reid, aged 65 years. Aug. 5, child of Mr. Robison, 1 year. Aug. 8, H. C. Anderson, 35 years. Aug. 14, Sarah Nolen, 29 years. Aug. 19, child of Mr. Fairchild, 3 years. Aug. 20, Nancy McCarty, 57 years. Aug. 21, child of P. Adams, 3 months. Aug. 22, child of J. E. Webster, 1 year. Aug. 23, Jacob Seismund, 41 years. Aug. 24, Mary Long, 21 years. Aug. 25, P. N. Jernigan, 25 years. Aug. 29, Jere. Collins, 63 years. Aug. 31, child of Mr. Napier, —. Also 7 slaves in August.

Sept. mber 6—Esau Pike, aged 60 years. Sept. 12, Joseph Frost, 24 years. Sept. 14, John Gunn, 4 years. Sept. 15, Sarah Holly, 52 years. Sept. 20, child of H. Smith, 2 years. Sept. 22, Charles Williams, 12 years; Gilbert Clark, 50 years. Sept. 23. N. McRobinson, 41 years. Sept. 26, James Dennis, —. Sept. 27, Lovick Switzer, 21 years. Sept. 30, Emeline Jordan, 24 years. Also 3 slaves in September.

Here the official record ends, and we can only republish such obituary notices as we find in the newspapers:

Oct. 12-Samuel J. Crow, aged about 37 years.

Nov. 8-Mrs. Martha Ann Davis, wife of John H. Davis.

Nov. 24—Robert M., son of Thomas J. Shivers.

Nov. 27—Theobold Howard, aged 48 years.

Dec. 26-Richard T. Brice, aged 39 years.

1852.

Opelika Branch Railroad-Gas Light Company Formed.

J. L. Morton, Wiley Williams, R. M. Gunby and M. N. Clark were candidates for Mayor at the January election, and the vote stood—Morton 235, Williams 188, Gunby 162, Clark 25. The Aldermen elect were: 1st Ward, Lewis M. Durr and Thos. B. Slade; 2d, Dr. A. I. Robison and Wm. Perry; 3d, Dr. T. Stewart and Thos. M. Hogan; 4th, R. C. Shorter and John Quin; 5th, A. A. Lowther and H. H. Epping; 6th, Wm. Matheson (and Thos. R. Herndine was afterwards elected.) James M. Hughes was elected Marshal; A. M. Robertson, Deputy Marshal; Calvin Stratton, Clerk; and Jordan L. Howell, Treasurer.

Council, at its first meeting, elected Beverly A. Thornton City Attorney; Jere Terry, Sexton; Thos. Nix, Clerk of the Market; Wm. W. Martin, Bridge-keeper; B. Ingram, Hospital keeper. The following gentlemen were elected Health Officers: Dr. Thos. Hoxey, J. L. Barringer, Jos. Kyle, Jas. M. Everett, Wm. Danerly, George Pitts, Charles Wise, Wm. C. Cooper, Isaac Mitchell, Wm. Brooks.

Dr. J. B. Hoxey was elected City Physician; and the following gentlemen Port Wardens: F. G. Wilkins, John C. Calhoun, A. K. Ayer, Edward Birdsong, James McGuire.

The Fire Wardens for this year were—J. A. Deblois, H. T. Hall, John H. Madden, J. B. Strupper, P. Adams, <u>Ezekiel</u> Davis.

Quite a flurry was created in Council, in January, on the subject of repealing the ordinance of 1851 which located and regulated the negro marts of the city. Council refused to lay on the table an ordinance amending the ordinance of 1851; whereupon Aldermen Slade, Durr, Lowther, Stewart and Slaughter tendered their resignations, which Council refused to accept. But these Aldermen retired, and at an election

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held on the 4th of February, Messrs. Wm. C. Gray, Wm. Y. Barden, Richard P. Spencer, George W. Lively and Wm. Williamson were elected in their places. [The fair presumption is that the amendatory ordinance was passed, but the record does not show it. It allowed the negro traders to bring their slaves into the city for sale in the day-time, but required them to be kept on the South Common at night.]

Wm. Brooks was in February elected an Alderman of the 6th ward, in the place of Ald. Matheson, resigned.

The appraisers appointed by Council reported the valuation of real estate \$1,516,970, showing a small but steady increase for several years. The city debt at that time amounted to \$3,200, besides some unpaid railroad subscriptions. The receipts from all sources were about \$27,500, and the expenses, with Muscogee Railroad interest, about \$24,000.

The Enquirer of April 20th indulged in fond anticipations of the growth and prosperity of Columbus as soon as the progressing railroads afforded better facilities for commerce. The article stated that almost all the dry goods then consumed in this section were wagoned from Macon at heavy expense; but that when the Muscogee Railroad was finished, such goods could be sold in Columbus as cheap as at Macon or Savannah. It looked also for a great increase of trade from the Girard Railroad, and urged the importance of constructing plank roads or some other improvements to facilitate trade with the counties north and south of Columbus.

Col. John G. Winter's Bank of St. Marys suspended specie payments on the 23d of April. The circulation was stated to be about \$350,000.

The cars on the Muscogee Railroad commenced running 25 miles on the 18th of May.

The first substantial movement towards the building of the Opelika Branch Road, of which we find any mention, was a proposition by the city of Savannah, in May of this year, to loan the credit of that city to the amount of \$100,000 in aid of the enterprise. Curiously, the *Enquirer* regarded it

with suspicion—as a move in opposition to the Girard road. This subject was warmly discussed on both sides through the columns of the city press. Several meetings of citizens were held to consider the policy of a city subscription of \$50,000, and finally a poll was opened, when the citizens, on the 12th of June, voted in favor of a conditional subscription. The vote stood—for a subscription, provided other parties subscribe a like amount of \$50,000, and that the road cross the river, 192; for subscription unconditionally, 52; no subscription, 85. The *Times* advocated the road and the subscription.

Jos. S. Pruden was in July elected an Alderman of the 4th Ward, vice Alderman Epping, resigned.

The total population of Muscogee county this year was 18,750.

A committee of Council this summer made a contract with Jonathan Bridges for boring an artesian well, but Council did not ratify the contract. The *Times* of November 9th said of the water supply of the city:

We do not know a community that is so poorly supplied with this first necessity for health, comfort and cleanliness (water) as Columbus. There are many families in the city who have no regular and certain source from which to derive their daily supplies of this precious element, and whose servants are actually obliged, at every turn of the water-bucket, to go forth on a foraging expedition in search of it. The water works are as good as used up. No attention is paid to the pipes furnishing the supply, and it is only occasionly that some half a dozen hydranta in very low localities, run. Those in more elevated positions are as dry as the miraculous rock before Moses touched it with his rod.

[This refers to a system of wood pipes and hydrants by which certain parties furnished citizens paying for it with water brought into portions of the city from "Leonard's Spring," about three miles from the city.]

A gas company, at the head of which was Mr. James Hoy, of Trenton, N. J., made a proposition in November to light the city with gas. Council appropriated \$10,000 to the capital stock of the company. The company was known as the "Columbus Gas Light Association." John Forsyth was chosen President, Henry T. Hall, Secretary, and Messrs. Dan-

iel Griffin, Henry T. Hall, W. G. Clemons, John Forsyth and J. L. Morton, Directors.

INCIDENTS.

The Histrionics, a dramatic company composed of resident citizens, gave a number of very pleasant and creditable entertainments this spring. On the evening of the 2nd of April they performed a national drama written by the gifted Mrs. Caroline Lee Hentz, then of Columbus, which was pronounced a production of extraordinary merit, and received with much applause. It was entitled "Lamorah, or the Western Wild."

The Baptist State Convention met in Columbus in April-

Thomas Stocks, Esq., Moderator.

A "Citizen Merchant," writing in June, claimed that the Eagle Manufacturing Company were then making osnaburgs "superior to any in the world, being heavier and made out of better cotton"; also that the goods of this company were sold quite as low, and in some cases lower, than the same qualities of goods were sold in New York.

The house of J. J. McKendree, Esq., at the upper end of Oglethorpe street, was consumed by fire on the morning of the 21st of June; also a kitchen on the adjoining lot, of Mr.

J. B. Wright.

The Times reported the discovery of a valuable mineral spring immediately on the river and under the bank, on the east side, four miles above the city. The water was represented as unusually clear and cool, and containing both iron and sulphur. As the Times said that the railroad about to be constructed to West Point would pass within twenty steps of the spring, perhaps our citizens of the present day will have no difficulty in finding it.

Another very creditable Agricultural and Horticultural Fair was held during the first week in October. Council ap-

propriated \$150 to aid it.

A two-story brick building owned by Messrs. Mott and Cleghorn, and occupied by Mr. S. C. Pryor as the "Exchange"

bar and billiard room, was burned on the 15th of November.

An extraordinary and disastrous flood in the river occurred on the 25th of November. During hard rains the river rose thirty feet, and "a section of the east wall of the reservoir extending from the Eagle Factory to the Palace Mills and Variety Works, gave way under the pressure of water. and carried with it the flume of the Palace Mills and the bridge which connected the Variety Works with the shore." Fifteen men and a boy were in the Works at the time, and these were cut off from the main land by a current which no boat could cross. The river was still rising at the rate of three feet an hour. After a number of unsuccessful efforts. communication was established by means of a light cord and weight at first and then by ropes passed, connecting the second story of the Variety Works with a pile of rock on shore. A basket was made to slide upon the ropes, drawn by cords, and in this frail conveyance the people in the Variety Works were taken from their perilous position to the land. Mayor J. L. Morton fell from a rock into the river, swam thence to another rock, where he had to remain until communication was in like manner established with him and he was rescued. The damage done to all the factory business was very great. The machinery in the Variety Works. the Palace Mills, and all the Factories except the Coweta. which stood at the dam (now known as the old upper dam) was stopped. Four or five hundred operatives and their families were temporarily thrown out of employment.

The Female Orphan Asylum was destroyed by fire on the night of the 9th of December. But the citizens raised in a few hours a subscription of \$1,700 to rebuild it.

The 4th of July was celebrated by the City Light Guards, the Ringgold Artillery, and the Fire Companies, by an excursion on the railroad, some 22 miles from the city. The declaration was read by Private Salisbury, and the oration delivered by Thomas J. Nuckolls, Esq. The Columbus Guards went to Montgomery and had a fine time there.

The first bale of new cotton was received on the 20th of August, from the plantation of Charles Fisher, Esq., of Muscogee county. It was sold at 10 cents.

The third annual Fair of the Georgia and Alabama Agricultural Society was held in Columbus on the 6th and 7th of October.

Five deaths occurred in the city during the first week in December, from cholera morbus caused by eating bad oysters. A report got out in the country that it was Asaitic cholera.

Up to the 15th of May, Columbus received 42,976 bales of cotton. Prices in January, $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 7 cents; in May, $6\frac{1}{4}$ to $8\frac{1}{4}$; in October, $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $9\frac{1}{3}$ cents.

PERSONAL.

The M. E. Church appointments for Columbus were Revs. W. Crumley, J. L. Pierce and T. H. Jordan. Rev. J. E. Evans was Presiding Elder of the District.

A. S. Rutherford was Sheriff; John Sturgis, Clerk of the Superior Court; A. P. Jones, Clerk of the Inferior Court; John Johnson, Ordinary; H. Noble, Tax Collector; Dan. J. Reese, Tax Receiver; J. B. Hicks, Coroner; and Philip Lamar, County Surveyor of Muscogee county.

T. Lomax, Esq., became one of the editors of the Southern Sentinel in February.

MARRIAGES.

January 1—William Y. Barden and Eliza D. Jernigan, Francis G. Wilkins and Lucinda King. Jan. 4, Benjamin A. Hearn and Mary Decker. Jan. 5, Willis H. Jones and Cynthia A. Pace. Jan. 11, James Castleberry and Susan J. Cobb. Jan. 15, Nathaniel A. Deblois and Angelica L. Hurd, Hannibal Harrold and Elizabeth R. Howell. Jan. 20, George H. Decker and Sarah Gibbs. Jan. 22, Isham Gallups and Charlotte T. Johnson, John Ramsey and Pauline S. E. Bazemore. Jan. 25, Joshua Hutchins and Sarah A. Joins. Jan. 28, Thomas J. Cobb and Harriet A. Flannigan.

February 1—Eldred A. Chatterton and Rachel Lewis. Feb. 2, William Robinson and Georgia A. Kelly. Feb. 4, James Whipple and Alsey W. Mays. Feb. 5, Joel T. Scott and Navini J. Wood, Hervey M. Cleckley and Frances P. Schley. Feb. 11, Stephen F. McGehee and Adaline Browning. Feb. 15, Henry Smith and Matilda Taylor. Feb. 24. John M. Jones and Cordelia A. Ridgeway.

March 4—Madison T. Key and Amanda C. Jernigan, Anderson H. Holmes and Elizabeth Garrett. March 18, Martin Duke and Felicia A. Phelps. March 19, John W. Suggs and Nancy M. Austin.

April 5—William B. Fansett and Nancy Carlile. April 15, Henry M. Morris and Jane E. Searls. April 21, Davis Owen and Catharine B. Lestergett. April 22, William H. Cochran and Priscilla Crawford. April 29, Joseph A. Hewell and Aquilla A. V. Dean, Henry Mangham and Louisa Sempler.

May 4—Thomas J. Trammell and Permelia E. Gunn, Benjamin F. Ray and Annetta J. Hall. May 5, George M. Lucas and Sarah P. E. Edwards. May 13, Alexander B. Huey and Susan A. Edwards. May 20, Henry Johnson and Irene Stanfield. May 22, John H. Webb and Sarah R. Gordy.

June 6—James W. Rolen and Martha A. Carter, William M. Lewis and Martha A. Mason. May 10, Benjamin F. Newberry and Sarah J. Starke. June 20, John King and Elizabeth Brown. June 24, Lewis Scott and Martha A. Owen. June 30, Madison L. Patterson and Augusta P. Benning.

July 1—William M. Watts and Sarah F. Johnson, Charles Brady and Rosannah Foran. July 4, Hugh Hall and Isabella A. Senn. July 10, Robert F. Pickren and Susan A. Wall. July 13, DeWitt F. Willcox and Julia C. Carnes, Edward W. Brannon and Mary A. Crouch. July 16, Anthony F. Rodgers and Martha A. Rowell. July 21, Lafayette Walker and Elizabeth Stephens.

August 8—Hamilton Boland and Evaline Jones. Aug. 29, Andrew J. Floyd and Sarah V. Shippey. Aug. 31, James H. John and Elizabeth J. McGlaun.

September 1—John G. Brooks and Permelia Castillo. Sept. 9, John Laman and Mary M. Rodgers. Sept. 23, Vincent L. Averett and Rosannah E. Stephens. Sept. 28, Samuel E. Whittaker and Henrietta Leonard.

October 4—Eldridge H. Calhoun and Ellen Blankenship. Oct. 5, Asa W. Chapman and Laura A. Ward. Oct. 13, Abner C. Flewellen and Sarah T. Shepherd. Oct. 14, Henry S. Duffee and Elizabeth M. Rus, Wootson Gooldsby and Epsy Johnson. Oct. 19, Cyrus A. Royston and Mary F. Calloway.

November 3—Jesse Goodwin and Mary C. R. Johnson. Nov. 7, Joseph J. Shippey and Martha A. Hamar. Nov. 9, William E. Bryan and Elvira A. R. Randall, John E. Dennard and America Atkinson, John J. Oliver and Mary C. McGrady. Nov. 10, Simon Stern and Betty Heller. Nov. 11, James Burrays and Martha Putnam. Nov. 14, George W. Cherry and Elizabeth Dean, John N. Bragg and Harriet Watkins. Nov. 18, David Garris and Mary Robinson. Nov. 29, Samuel Klein and Mina Wolff.

December 2—Thomas B. Norris and Rebecca J. Cook. Dec. 5, Jeptha D. Wilkinson and Barbara A. Reed. Dec. 7, Henry W. Wood and Mary E. Patterson. Dec. 10, James Thomas and Elizabeth Harper. Dec. 11, Benjamin F. Nunnelee and Elizabeth Shippey. Dec. 16, Bassill M. Milton and Jane Johnson, Thomas Hamar and Sarah J. Lokey. Dec. 19, James Eyre and Catharine Murphy. Dec. 21, Daniel Y. Morrell and Susannah Wallace, Wherry M. Cannon and Belsy A. Nelson. Dec. 23, Francis A. Yarbrough

and Caroline Rodgers, Joseph Dimon and Sarah M. Skinner, Henry L. Martin and Rosannah Stewart. Dec. 29, Benjamin F. Doles and Elizabeth J. Holcomb.

DEATHS.

(FROM THE SELTON'S REPORTS.)

January 4—Cornelia Brickhouse; 6th, James Ivey; 7th, child of David Hudson; 8, Miss Lewis; 17, Mr. Herne; 18, Elizabeth Calhoun; 22, child of Mr. Eaton; 23, James Simpleman; 25, Mr. Browning; Elizabeth Eaton; 31, George Robison.

February 5—Shadrack Sanders; 6, Mary Wilson; 10, —— Conoway; 11, Thomas Maddox; 13, child of John Clark; 15, Nancy Loving; 25, Mr. Pike; 29, Esther Jepson.

July 1—James Savage; 2, a child of Mr. Lewis; 8, a child of Mr. Holley; 10, a child of Mr. Whittlesey; 14, John Vansant; 17, child of Mrs. Crossman; 20, child of J. Chisholm; 21, James Hammock; child of Mr. Lloyd; 23, child of M. McGowen; child of Mr. Van; Patrick Sullivan; child of Mrs. Tendall; 29, child of Mr. Nix.

August 1—Child of Mr. Norris; 5, Jordan Newby; child of Sarah Sanders; 12, Henry Crumwell; 13, J. F. Chisolm; 15, Mrs. Magner; child of Mrs. Stubblefield; 17, John Lewis.

September 1—Child of Mrs. Pettis; 5, Ann McKenzie; 9, child of Mrs. Hiatt; child of Mrs. Hackrey; 11, Miss Murphy; Martha Faulkenberry; 12, child of Sarah Sanders; 26, Willis S. Cooper; 27, Mrs. Webster; child of Mr. Finchin; 28, child of Mr. Webster; child of Mrs. Stafford; 30, John McCarty; child of Mr. Garbin.

(FROM THE NEWSPAPERS).

January — (At Panama) George Chalmers, of Columbus.

March 4—Mrs. Sarah Vivian, wife of James W. Warren. March — James H. Scott.

April 13-James T. Rives.

May - Mrs. Nancy Baugh.

June — R. A. Owens; 18, Laura Winship, daughter of John R. Sturgis; 19, Mrs. Frances Vivian Schley; 25, Robert Parham, infant son of O. V. Brown.

October — James L. Baugh; 15, Franklin Duncan; Lucien Strawn, infant son of H. H. Barrow; 28, Miss Amanda F. A. Patrick; 29, John R. Dawson.

November 17—(in Alabama) George W. Cowdery, of Columbus.

December 11—Edgar Perry, son of Hines Holt; Dr. John J. B. Hoxey.

1853.

Water Works-Mobile and Girard and Opelika Railroads.

City officers elected on the first Saturday in January: J. L. Morton, Mayor; Aldermen-F. G. Wilkins, Wm. B. Robinson, Wm. Perry, A. I. Robison, O. Danforth, T. M. Hogan, F. Jepson, George Pitts, Wm. Daniel, Wm. Matheson, Wm. Brooks. Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Treasurer, J. L. Howell; Marshal, James M. Hughes; Deputy Marshal, A. M. Robinson. Council elected Edgar G. Dawson, City Attorney; Wm. M. Bosworth, Clerk of the Market; Jere Terry, Sexton; Dr. T. J. Brooks, City Physician; Ephraim C. Bandy, Bridge Keeper; Burnet Ingram, Hospital Keeper; Joel T. Scott, Magazine Keeper; E. Birdsong, J. C. Calhoun, J. S. Hill, J. S. Ivey and Lewis Livingston, Port Wardens; Willis Holstead, Wm. Y. Barden, Dr. T. Hoxey, J. K. Redd, J. M. Everett, W. G. Andrews, John Kyle, J. W. Frost, Wm. C. Cooper, Pat Adams, J. Seely and T. R. Herendine, Health Officers; E. Barnard, H. T. Hall, Wm. Gesner, R. R. Goetchius, George H. Peabody and Thos. W. Kelly, Fire Wardens; Thomas Ragland, City Printer.

Wiley Williams was on the 8th of January elected an Alderman of the 5th Ward.

An ordinance authorizing the issue of bonds to pay the city's subscription of \$150,000 to the Girard Railroad, was finally passed on the 26th of January.

Judge Iverson having, in January, proposed to sell to the city the water-works then supplying water from the neighboring springs, a committee of Council made a report on the extent and condition of these works, from which we copy the following:

That the franchise or privilege granted by the Mayor and City Council of Columbus to the original proprietor, was for forty years, and made in 1844 it still has 32 years to run; that the proprietors have a deed of the present spring or fountain head from Col. Seaborn Jones, which has 25 years to run;

about ready, commencing at Girard. A condition of the subscription was that it should be expended on that part of the road between Girard and Union Springs. The ordinance authorizing the subscription was finally adopted in November. The Mayor entered a protest, and many motions to delay or impose conditions were made in Council.

INCIDENTS.

The city assessors reported their valuation of the taxable property in the city \$1,597,925.

The cars on the Muscogee Railroad were running this spring to Butler, and the Southwestern Railroad was completed from Macon to Reynolds within ten miles of Butler. This gap was filled up in May, and a continuous railroad communication opened to Savannah.

A great railroad jubilee, to celebrate the completion of the railroad line to Macon, was held in the city on the 20th of of May. Among other interesting incidents, the Mayor produced some water from the Atlantic ocean and mingled it with the water of the Chattahoochee, in typical union.

A fire on the night of the 19th of February consumed the old Theatre building on Crawford street, the livery stable of Dudley & Martin, and the residence of Mrs. A. J. Hall. Messrs. Dudley and Martin lost most of their carriages, buggies, &c.; Mrs. Hall, all of her provisions and kitchen furniture; and other persons lost goods in the houses. The fire originated in the Theatre building, and was believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

The steamboat Retrieve struck a rock in the river, a short distance above the junction of the Flint and Chattahoochee, and sunk on the 18th of February. She was going down, and had 1,000 or 1,200 bales of cotton, much of which was lost. A negro man of Columbus was drowned.

A very severe storm swept over the city on the 8th of March, unroofing and otherwise damaging houses, prostrating chimneys, fences, &c. The damage done in the city was estimated at \$50,000 or \$100,000. No lives were lost. The new Methodist Church in Girard and the bridge across the creek were blown down, and the storm swept a considerable portion of the country with like effects.

William, eldest son of Judge Robt. B. Alexander, deceased, lost his life on the 5th of March, by an accidental punch or stroke with a small piece of wire in the hands of another boy with whom he was playing. The wire entered his forehead just above one eye, and penetrated to his brain.

There were very heavy rains about the middle of March, and the river rose to a great height. The train of cars on the Muscogee Railroad fell from a trestle which gave way, some eight or nine miles from the city, on the 18th, and Mr. Charles D. Schoomaker, the engineer, and a fireman named Gilmore were instantly killed. No passengers were hurt.

Charnot Newberry was killed by Lewis Jernigan, in a difficulty between them at the corner of Oglethorpe and Franklin streets, on the 27th of March. Pistols were used.

Joseph Updegraff was on the 17th of April, run through the body with a sword cane, by Britton McCullers, and died a few days afterwards.

On the 27th of May, the kitchen of F. G. Wilkins on Oglethorpe street, and the same night the dwelling of Mrs. Williams on Forsyth street, were burned.

A woman named Fish fell or threw herself into the river on the 24th of May, and was drowned.

Council in September subscribed \$10,000 to the stock of the Gas Company, payable in bonds. The bonds were made payable in 25 years, bearing 7 per cent. interest.

The receipts of cotton up to the 16th of May amounted to 55,893 bales. Prices—71 to 91c. in January, 71 to 91 in March, 91 to 101 in April, 81 to 10 in May, 9 to 91 in October, 8 to 9 in December.

The factories, that had been compelled to suspend after the breaking of the dam in the spring, resumed work in June; also the Palace Mills.

The extensive building used by Messrs. J. & M. Barringer as a sash and blind factory and carpenter's shop, was burned on the 1st of July.

The first bale of new cotton was brought in on the 18th of August, by A. H. Rowell, of Russell county, Alabama, and sold at 11 cents.

The steamboat Franklin, on a trip from Columbus to Apalachicola, with 1,100 bales of cotton, took fire on the 27th of December, and was consumed, cargo and all.

PERSONAL.

Jordan L. Howell and John J. McKendree were in January elected Magistrates of the Upper District, and F. M. Brooks and John Quin of the Lower; James Lloyd, Wm. Nix, John Tilly and E. H. Calhoun, Bailiffs; Bethune, Weems, Ragland, Flewellen and McGuire, Justices of the Inferior Court; Noble, Tax Collector; Rees, Tax Receiver.

Messrs. Gettinger & Barschall, Arnold & Robinson, Patrick Duffie, Thos. S. Hays, Richard Robinson and Charles Bize had stalls in the market this year. Their aggregate rents amounted to \$178.

R. C. Forsyth was appointed Postmaster this year.

Edward Birdsong was in June elected Clerk of the Superior Court, vice John Sturgis, deceased.

Robt. T. Simons and John Cleghorn were elected extra Deputy Marshals in February.

Thos. W. Scoonmaker was, on the 1st of March, sworn in as an Alderman in place of O. Danforth, resigned.

E. H. Musgrove was in March elected an Alderman in the place of Ald. Robinson, resigned.

John T. Ector and F. M. Gray were elected Aldermen in October, to fill vacancies.

James J. Slade was in June elected an Alderman, to succeed Ald. Wilkins, resigned.

MARRIAGES.

January 8—William W. Whipple and Mauria Fletcher; 5, William Rynehart and Mary A. E. Hinton; 6, John W. B. Mehaffey and Susan Copeland, James M. Simmons and Letitia B. Marcrum, Thos. Hudson and Eliza Vick-

ers; 8, Richard H. Shirley and Mary Ann Smith; 19, Benjamin Wooton and Elizabeth Read; 22, John Younger and Margaret Thompson; 25, Benjamin S. Cummins and Mary T. Lokey 27, Edward M. Weems and Teresa E. Sapp.

February 6—Luther T. Vinson and Elizabeth C. Nix; 8, John T. Pruett and Susan R. Mealing; 10, James A. Caffey and Mary A. E. Lanier; 15, Allen Lambertson and Fannie Brown; 16, Thomas L. Morris and Martha E. Wilson, Benjamin Beall and Henrietta S. Hodges; 17, Kinsey Davis and Harriet Piggot, Charles E. Dexter and Clara M. Hodges; 20, William Hawes and Martha Smith; 24, Richard C. Taff and Nancy A. P. I. Hale.

March 10—George T. Bray and Sarah Eady, Thomas J. Watt and Sarah J. Kimbrough, Enoch Bland and Lucy A. Jemison; 27, Miles A. Hearn and Mary Corlee, Joseph P. Whittlesey and Rebecca J. Schley, Cornelius S. Whittlesey and Ann Maria Schley; 31, Aaron Fussell and Elizabeth Wooton.

April 6—Henry H. Sizemore and Cassa A. F. Goss; 10, Jonathan A. B. Williams and America A. Frazier; 14, Elijah Martin and Lucinda Champion; 20, Joseph W. Morris and Elizabeth Jones; 27, Isaac T. Robinson and Mary A. Meacham; 28, David Gunn and Mary A. Nappier.

May 5—William D. Miller and Isabella Browning; John I. Day and Nancy A. Brooks; 8, Gideon Easterwood and Laney Owens; 12, Charles A. Hausler and Scilla A. Roscoe; 13, William D. Brooks and Sarah J. Scott; 15, Sherard Statham and Abigail Pike; 19, James M. C. Luker and Elizabeth Blackmon; 29, Calvin A. Hearn and Epsy J. Hall; 31, Robert Badkins and Judith Updergraff.

June 16—James Lockhart and Amanda Parker; 22, Henry T. Hood and Elizabeth Averett; 30, Bryant Howell and Nancy A. Brooks.

July 5—Lovic P. Faun and Mary J. Haskin; 7, William C. Rice and Sarah E. King; 8, William McCandless and Sarah A. F. Nix; 14, Thomas G. Poud and Mary C. Jones; 17, James H. Jones and Susan Clark; 19, William D. Johnson and Anna L. Twitty; 23, John Butts and Mary Kale; 24, George W. Gunn and Amelia Milam.

August 1—James R. Rodgers and Anna M. Hudson; 2, John L. Truax and Ida Burnes; 3, Daniel M. Patterson and Mary Fudge; 4, Jas. Measels and Mary Monkus, William Davidson and Leah Colee; 7, Thomas J. Stephens and Mary E. Sessions, James C. Hall and Sarah Riley; 11, Joshua G. Cobb and Matilda A. Phillips; 14, Joseph G. Terry and Sarah A. Teat; 16, Casper Lowis and Catharine Roland, Charles Field and Nancy Roland; 18, Thomas J. Skinner and Louisiana Patrick; 25, Thomas Jordan and Levinia C. Arnold; 28, James Smith and Sarah Lipsey.

September 2—William E. Brooks and Martha Allen; 4, William F. Pike and Mary J. Mason, James W. Wilson and Susan Cook; 8, Henry C. Vigal and Helon Wooldridge; 14, Edinund Cartledge and Euphemia G. Thornton; 20, Burrill Bartlett and Amanda M. Thomas; 22, Walker Cartledge and Priscilla Cartledge, John S. Wellborn and Amanda S. Barron; 27, James N. Smith and Elizabeth Lee; 29, Robert Reid and Sarah Joins.

October 2—William Phillips and Abey E. Sanders; ?, Burrill Bartley and Eliza Bartley; 13, Thomas J. Coleman and Mary A. E. Baker, Lewis Robinson and Elafan Northington; 15, David Culpepper, jr., and Elizabeth Butler; 16, Adam P. Jones and Sarah A. Weaver; 18, Charles A. Goosuch and Parshamia L. Cook; 24, William Holley and Elizabeth Kelly; 25, James Bond and Sarah Silas; 28, John W. Rutledge and Martha C. Roland.

November 3—Jacob Heil and Frederika E. Sternberg; 6, Henry J. King and Mary E. McCook; 7, David Richey and Martha Lewis; 17, David Wynn and Susan Wooldridge; 20, William A. Bartlett and Rutha Hall, William D. Adams and Rebecca E. Waddell; 24, William H. Glaze and Priscilla Jackson; 27, James A. Caswell and Mary A. Clark; 28, Robert B. Green and Susan Odom

December 1—Joshua J. Pate and Epsy Browning; 4, Robert C. Redding and Martha McLester; 8, Abner Howard and Sarah Glaze; 14, Absalom D. Wooldridge and Lucy A. Green, Charles A. Redd and Eugenie A. Weems, Robert C. Patterson and Hester A. T. Fincher; 15, William J. Coffield and Elizabeth Welch; 22, Benjamin W. Orr and Martha M. McBride, John A. Frazer and Mary Tommy; 25, Israel F. Pickens and Mary Dunning, Henry A. Scott and Virginia A. Lester; 27, Henry R. Toler and Martha J. Nieholson; 28, Aaron Cordery and Sophia Haynes; 29, John A. Jackson and Elizabeth A. Count.

DEATHS.

(FROM THE SEXTON'S REPORTS.)

January 1—Mary Rowe, P. Hancoek, and Mrs. Coker's child; 4, W. S. Marble; 9, Clara Wynn; 12, Thomas Spivey; 21, James Collins; 28, Holcomb's child; Mrs. Barrand's child.

February 3—G. Richard's child; 8, Julia A. Richardson; 9, D. G. Upchurch; 10, Clara Frey; A. J. Hall; 13, T. Schley's child; 16, Thomas Mc-Kennel; 18, Thomas Kelly; 19, Gammon's child; 25, Mrs. Curry.

March 8—William Alexander; 16, N. P. Foster; 19, C. Schoonmaker; N. Gilmore; 22, G. Redd's child; 28, C. L. Newbery; 30, Mr. Dowd's child.

[N. B.—We presume that all of the dates given in the Sexton's lists are those of the interments of the bodies, not the days of death.]

(FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.)

April 8 (in Albany, Ga.)—Mrs. Barbara Day, of Columbus; 22, Miss Sarah A. Burt; 24, Mrs. Alice Ann McCardel; 25, Warren, child of John G. Dolly.

May 1—James Terrell, infant son of Charles E. McCardel; 18, Mrs. Faunice B. Stoddard, Anne T., daughter of T. M. Hogan; 22, John R. Sturgis, Clerk of the Superior Court; 28, Chipley, son of J. D. Williford; 29, Mrs. Frances Love.

June 7—Patrick B., son of David J. Barber; 12, Samuel Bass, son of Lewis Livingston; 15, Thomas Daniel, son of R. G. Parkman.

July 6—John J. Hickey; 25, Jacob D. Hightower, of Greene county; 31, John Caldwell.

August 14—Sarah Virginia, daughter of R. H. Harris; 25, Joseph J. Bal-

lenger; 27, John Neal, son of B. F. Griggs; 28, Mrs. Elizabeth Broaduax; — John Ward.

September 4—Julia Munro, daughter of Samuel Bonfoy; 5, (in Montgomery, Ala.,) John B., son of S. B. Harvell of Columbus; 13, (in South Natick) Mrs. Lucretia M. Curtis, of Columbus; 19, A. L. Bryan; —, George S. Carey.

October 6-Mrs. Sarah C. Griggs; -, Alex. C. Hickey; 27, Nicholas Ware, son of Dr. R. A. Ware.

November 10—Major Thomas M. Nelson. December 24—Mrs. Ann J. Bingham.

1854.

Election of Aldermen by their respective Wards, &c.

The city election of this year was held in accordance with the provisions of an act then pending in the Legislature, authorizing the election of two Aldermen for each Ward by the voters of their respective wards alone. After the election, an act was passed making it legitimate. The election was held, as usual, on the first Saturday in January, and the most influential question at issue was the ratification of the city's second subscription to the stock of the Mobile and Girard Railroad. Dr. John E. Bacon, the successful candidate for Mayor, had published a card in which he announced that he would not sign the bonds until satisfied that a majority of the people approved the subscription. The vote for Mayor stood—Bacon 469, Morton 303. The following gentlemen were elected Aldermen: 1st Ward, Harvey Hall, E. H. Musgrove; 2d, J. T. Coleman, Wm. Perry; 3d, T. M. Hogan, Thos. K. Wynne; 4th, George I. Pitts, Wm. Daniel; 5th, Joseph Thomas, John Quin; 6th, J. A. Vrooman, H. J. Devon. Marshal, George Gullen; Deputy Marshal, John F. Cleghorn; Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Treasurer, J. L. Howell; Sexton, Thos. Nix.

Council elected Ephraim C. Bandy, Bridge-keeper; R. T. Simons, Clerk of the Market; Edgar G. Dawson, City Attor-

resolutions of Council, and by liberal subscriptions of material aid. One young man, named John Martin, who contracted the disease in Savannah, was sick of it in Columbus in October, but recovered.

The Methodist Episcopal General Conference held its session in Columbus in May. At this meeting, Drs. George F. Pierce, H. H. Kavanaugh and J. Early were elected Bishops, and the Book Concern located at Nashville.

Winter's Palace Mills were sold in March to a company of gentlemen—Messrs. Mustian & Mott, George W. Winter, Richard Patten and Thomas W. Tallmau—for the sum of \$50,000.

The Columbus Building and Loan Association organized this year, by the election of Wm. C. Gray, President; Sterling F. Grimes, Treasurer; Jordan L. Howell, Secretary; and J. C. Ruse, J. R. Daggers, James Vernoy, M. Barringer, Wm. Daniel and E. Greenwood, Directors.

The first bale of new cotton was received on the 11th of August, from the plantation of David Bussey of Stewart county, and sold at auction at 13\frac{3}{4} cents.

Peter Lynn was shot dead by W. A. Shofner, on the outskirts of the city, on the 5th of October.

A large frame building on Front street, owned by the Eagle Factory and occupied by a number of its operatives, was destroyed by fire on the 30th of October. Loss \$1,200, insured.

The fine residence of Col R. L. Mott, in the upper part of the city, was burned on the 4th of December. The loss was estimated at \$5,000.

The location of the powder magazine was this year changed to the East Commons—a new building having been erected there.

P. Gittinger, H. P. Robinson, C. H. Smith, P. Duffy, J. D. Arnold, and R. Robinson rented stalls in the market this year. Their aggregate rents amounted to \$279.

The county officers this year were—Sheriff, F. M. Brooks; Clerk Superior Court, David J. Barber; Clerk Inferior Court, A. P. Jones; Tax Collector, Thomas Chaffin; Tax Receiver, D. J. Reese; Surveyor, Philip Lamar; Coroner, J. B. Hicks. John C. Ruse, H. T. Hall, Thos. P. Larris, R. R. Goetchius, Charles Wise and E. D. Davis were Fire Wardens.

The Enquirer of April 4th was in mourning for the death of Mr. John B. Ragland, one of its proprietors.

Seaborn Ogletree was in March elected an Alderman of the 4th Ward, in the place of Ald. Pitts, resigned.

William Matheson was elected, in June, an Alderman of the 6th Ward, in the place of Ald. Devon, deceased.

A. G. Foster was in August elected an Alderman of the 3d Ward, vice Ald. Hogan, resigned.

MARRIAGES.

January 1—John W. H. Latham and Mary A. M. Thomas; 3, Perry A. Browning and Epsy A. Everage; 5, William W. Frazer and Frances J. Kelly; John M. Williams and Elizabeth E. Bailey; 6, William S. Johnson and Louisa M. Durham; 11, Archibald B. Thomas and Frances L. Robinson; 13, Edmund Jones and Amelia C. Cobb; 18, Dred Carraway and Nancy F. Robinson; 19, Thomas Cummings and Martha E. Pool; 22, Benj. Sanborn and Mary E. Dicken; 23 Littlebery Eubanks and Margaret M. Dickson; 26, John Tarver and Charity I. Alston; 28, Charles E. McCardle and Eliza I. Parker; 30, James W. Cartins and Julia F. Lorimer.

February 3—Thomas Pate and Mary Ann Higden; 9, William I. Moss and Margaret A. E. Pry; 10, John T. Rowlin and Mary L. Edwards; 13, John W. Goslin and Sarah A. M. Owens; 15, Wm. G. Andrews and Julia W. Shotwell; 16, Elbert Presley and Susan Smith; William T. Sanders and Eliza S. Morton; Benjamin Simpson and Sarah J. Stafford; 23, Calvin Williams and Jane O. Pry; 28, Jacob W. Shoup and Adaline Hawes.

March 2—Peyton H. Rogers and Mary Alexander; 4, Myrick C. Lunsford and Josaphine Scott; Jasper Hicks and Barthena Bagley; 16, Ransom Covington and Parmelia Dillard; 19, Lafayette Gordy and Henrietta Bray; 26, William T. Holliday and Mary Gammell; 31, Micajah Briley and Mary E. Phillips.

April 4—Robert M. Aldworth and Lucy C. Wheeler; 10, William R. King and Elizabeth Stewart; Lafayette Parkman and Isabella Tillman; 12, Geo. H. Waddell and Celestia Wynne; William Halley and Mary Harris; 15, Jno. Allen and Amanda Tinnent; Joseph D. Norwood and Margaret A. Cook; 18, George Y. Banks and Susan C. Mitchell; 19, Thomas Kennady and Eliza Towns; 20, John Saltmarsh and Caroline J. Luker; William H. Long and

Ann Louisa Tarver; 23, Pickard A. Pike and Eliza A. Brannon; 27, William F. Williams and Julia F. Flewellen.

May 1.—Thomas M. Sanford and Amanda V. Wynne; 2, Chas. A. Brooks and Angelina P. Cobb; 9, Littleton Pike and Julia A. Brannon; 14, Nathaniel H. Slaughter and Leacy W. Lamb; 22, I. E. Dickens and Nancy Davenport; 30, David C. Wood and Martha Barton.

June 7—Lewis S. Graves and Georgia Pride; 16, William Corradan and Rosannah Knight; 26, John D. Atkins and Adaline V. Cleve; 29, John C. Kavenaugh and Mary A. A. Naglin; Crawford Coleman and Mary A. Davie.

July 4—Robert R. Owens and Sarah C. Williams; 6, Edward W. Seabrook and Emma C. Dawson; Zachariah Batson and Sarah J. E. Alfred; 13, Riley S. Callaway and Mary Peel; 16, DeWitt C. Daukins and Fannie I. Jones; 19, James Harrill and Ann White; George E. Gager and Virginia B. Salisbury; Calvin E. Johnson and Mary L. Redd.

August 2—Wiley Pollard and Rachel I. Glenn; 4, Wm. Greer and Elizabeth A. Champion; 8, John A. Duke and Epsy A. Bray.

September 7—Alfred A. Livingston and Mary E. Doles; 9, John Ward and Mary McDaniel; 10, Robert Fulford and Catharine Baggett; 15, Archibald I. Smith and Caroline R. Hicks; 17, Benjamin Doles and Martha F. Graybill; 28, Lewis Laury and Emily Conner.

October 5—James A. Witter and Susan Johnson; George Whitten and Elizabeth W. Hunter; Joseph Skinner and Sarah Weed; 10, Thomas G. Wood and Zilphy Cannon; John Peabody and Josaphine L. Chaffin; 12, George W. Crouch and Joanna Rentfroe; 15, Parham D. Redding and Martha Wheelis; 18, Wm. H. Rorie and Susan Stripling; 19, John Hill and Mariah S. Dalton; Alfred Prescott and Emma I. Slade; 31, John H. Davis and Georgia C. Mustian.

November 6—Henry J. King and Mary E. McCook; 7, James M. Bivins and Mary F. Drunright; John H. Bass and Frances E. McGruder; 9, Archibald Cook and Frances A. Lowe; Meredith Hill and Elizabeth W. Dalton; 12, Charles H. Lynch and Martha J. Hudson; 14, James W. Bruner and Melissa A. Decker; 15, Wm. Kirkland and Mary A. Schates; 16, Alfred Munson and Ann Cannon; 21, Bartlett W. Green and Sarah Odom; 21, Edwin R. Goulding and Jane E. Bryan; 23, Lemuel P. Warner and Charlotte F. Matthews; Edmund H. Rees and Sarah Palmer; Andrew I. Putnam and Elizabeth A. Faulkenbury; 26, Stillman Davidson and Nancy A. Decker; Henry Eady and Salina L. Jones; 27, Vincent H. Tennon and Harriet Mc. Gehee; 30, Joseph H. Yarborough and Jane E. Thrower.

December 1—James N. Battson and Frances F. Wiseman; 3, John W. Cogbill and Sarah A. Ellison; 5, William Davis and Rebecca Walker; 6, Byrd B. Forsyth and Mary A. Lloyd; 7, James H. Stagg and Elizabeth R. Simpson; 8, Abner Howard and Sarah Glaze; 10, Thomas Sells and Matilda Simmons; 12, Nathaniel C. Ferguson and Mary E. Roberts; 14, James N. Morgan and Margaret J. Rodgers; 16, William T. Jenkins and Nancy Glaze; 18, James Kelly and Mary Dunn; 19, George W. Turner and Amanda C. Key; 20,

Henry D. Cropp and Alice R. Croft; 21, Robert E. Dixon and Mary A. McDougald; 22, Charles Shannon and Caroline Hoxey; 27, Joel Junman and Rebecca Murphy; 28, Henry R. Narramore and Louisa W. Huckaba; Wm. P. Holmes and Lurana Watts.

DEATHS.

(FROM THE SEXTON'S REPORTS.)

January 23—Child of A. K. Ayer; 26, Mrs. Scroggins; 29, child of J. A. Bradford; 31, child of Mrs. Starns.

February 11—Thomas Rhena; 15, Deborah Paraden; 22, Mrs. McCall; 25, child of Mr. Bowers.

March 1—A. M. Robinson; 3, child of John Clark; 10, child of Mr. Meredith, child of Mr. Epping, child of Mr. Pike; 21, child of Samuel Rutherford, Mrs. J. T. Thompson; 28, Mrs. S. A. Billing; 30, P. R. Ragland; 31, child of Mrs. Davenport.

April 3—Mrs. Branham; 6, child of T. R. Herrendine, Miss Hooper; 9, Miss Andrews; 11, T. R. Grossbeak; 15, child of Mrs. Baggett; 18, E, B. Fishburn; 19, Laura Kelton; 24, Miss Murdock; 30, Elizabeth Inman.

May 1—Mr. Jackson; 2, Mrs. Douglass, Barcena Lewis, Mrs. Foley, Mrs. Mary Betz; 3, Mr. Moat; 4, child of Mr. Stewart; 9, Mrs. Adams; 11, Nancy Piggott; 13, Anna Mattheson; 17, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, child of Robt. Johnson; 18, child of George Meredith; 19, child of Mr. Allen; 22, child of Clara West; 23, Catherine Thomas; 25, child of Mr. Courtney; 27, child of Mr. Rich; 30, child of Thomas Hall.

June 2—John Vinson; 5, child of John Lewis; 6, H. J. Devon (Alderman;) 7, child of John Lewis; 8, child of Mr. Holland; 10, child of Mr. Flewellen, Mary Sergeant; 14, Mrs. Mry A. Ayer; 16, Mrs. Stephens, A. Lammerson. child of Mr. Thompson; 19, child of John N. Barnett; 20, Mrs. Brumby; 22, Miss Sawyer; 24, Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Mary L. Bonner; 26, child of Thos. J. Butler; 26, Frederick Miller, child of Mr. King; 27, Gibson Tillman; 28, Fredonia Turner; 30, Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, Mary Tillman.

July 3—Thomas W. Bowen; 4, infant of Wesley Barden; 6, Micajah Anthony; 7, infant of John Allen; infant of Mr. Davis; 16, John A. Morton; 18, Mrs. Jackson; 24, Mrs. W. H. Grace; 25, Jacob Barrow; 28, child of Wn. H. Grace.

August 1—Miss Anthony; 3, Elizabeth Coursey; 4, Mrs. Morn, infant child of E. Dudley; 7, John Bowers' child; 8, child of Mrs. Dukes; 11, Mary Jane Richardson; 14, daughter of Mr. Meredith, Mrs. Vandenburg, Mr. Stephens; 21, child of A. McDougald; 22, Mrs. Draton; 24, Jackson Kelly; 27, Miss Meredith; 31, P. H. Mahouc's child.

September 3.—Child of Mr. William Garrett; 4, Miss Lesterjette; 5, Augustus Thompson; 9, Miss Brown; 10, son of Mrs. Chambers, child of Mr. Stephens; 11, child of John McCarty; 14, Mary McKenzie, Emma Teal; 16, Richard Jones; 18, Mr. Curry; 19, Miss Cook, child of William Carlisle; 22, child of S. R. Bonner; 23, Mr. Lawrence; 26, child of Elizabeth Brazil.

Five negroes died in July, five in August, and ten in September.

(DEATHS CONTINUED-FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.)

September 11-Sarah Gertrude, daughter of Dr. Jacob Fogle.

October 13—(in Atlanta,) John L. Barringer, of Columbus; 27, Mrs. Harriet Jefferson; 31, John Jay, son of John Lloyd.

November 6—Winfield Scott, son of Enoch Willett; 9, Mrs. Flora McKennell; 21, Robert Dawson, son of E. G. Thornton; 23, Susan Jane, daughter of Wm. H. Grace.

December 24-Mansfield Torrance.

There were 25 interments of whites and 11 of negroes during the month of November, but we cannot find the names.

1855.

Financial Difficulties-Sale of City's Stock in Muscogee R. R.

The municipal election, under the new law, was held on the second Saturday in December, 1854; but we continue to notice the new government in our report of the events of the year of its administration. Wiley Williams was elected Mayor, and the following gentlemen Aldermen: 1st. Ward, John C. Ruse, J. J. McKendree; 2d, Henry T. Hall, Wm. A. Bedell; 3d, Thomas K. Wynne, T. O. Douglass; 4th, S. R. Andrews, D. A. Ridgeway; 5th, F. A. Jepson, Israel F. Brown; 6th, Wm. Daniel, Wm. Matheson. Wm. Mahaffey was elected Marshal; H. P. Robison, Deputy Marshal; Calvin Stratton, Clerk; Isaac Mitchell, Treasurer; Thos. Nix, Sexton.

Council elected Robt. E. Dixon, City Attorney; Enoch Dudley, Bridge-keeper; Henry M. Harris, Clerk of the Market; Dr. R. H. Lockhart, City Physician; Mrs. Isabella McGee, Hospital-keeper. Health Officers—William H. Alston, Wm. Y. Barden, A. F. Brannon, Charles E. Mims, Dr. H. M. Cleckley, A. K. Ayer, William Alley, Wm. G. Andrews, H. J. Smith, O. Danforth, Wm. Brooks, M. L. Patterson. Port Wardens—Edward Croft, A. R. Andrews, William E. Love, J. L. Hill, F. G. Wilkins. Fire Wardens—R. H. Greene,

William Perry, I. G. Strupper, R. R. Goetchius, John A. Frazer, George Hungerford. Magazine-keeper—William G. Andrews.

The question of raising means to pay \$25,000 of bonds issued as subscription to the Muscogee Railroad was a perplexing one this year. The Finance Committee reported on the 30th of April an ordinance levying a special tax of onefourth of one per cent. on real estate and one-eighth of one per cent. on slaves; the tax collector to give each tax paver a certificate of stock (divided into whole and half shares) proportionate to the amount of his special tax; which was amended by giving authority to the Mayor to sell a sufficient amount of the stock to make the payment. As thus amended, the ordinance was adopted. In June Council passed an ordinance authorizing the hypothecation of \$100,000 of the stock owned by the city in the Muscogee Railroad for the loan of \$30,000, for this purpose. On the 25th of June the Finance Committee reported an arrangement with P. J. Semmes, agent of the Bank of the State of Georgia, in accordance with the terms of the ordinance last mentioned; and Council ratified the agreement.

On the 19th of November, Council ratified a contract for the sale of the city's stock in the Muscogee Railroad to Messrs. Richard Patten and John L. Mustian. It amounted to 1800 shares, and was sold for \$151,000—the purchasers assuming the city's liabilities for that amount. There was some opposition to the sale, and P. J. Semmes, Esq., filed a bill of injunction. This injunction was dissolved by the Superior Court; Mr. Semmes appealed, and the Supreme Court affirmed the decision dissolving the injunction. The contest over this question was continued in the next Council.

On the 30th of January the Opelika Branch Road was finished, and the connection of Columbus with Montgomery by railroad was unbroken. The trains did not then cross the river, but stopped at the depot on the Alabama side.

The assessors appointed to appraise the real estate of the city reported the total valuation at \$2,025,000, showing an increase of \$140,000 over the previous year.

The river was unusually low during the winter, and steam-

boat arrivals before April were rare.

John King, an employee of the Muscogee Railroad, was run over by one of the cars, in January, and so badly injured as to cause his death.

D. A. Garrett, who was run over by a train near Atlanta, died in Girard, of the injuries received, on the 5th of March.

The State Medical Convention was held in Columbus in

April. The Rock Island Factory was sold under mortgage, on the 23d of April, and bought by R. L. Mott for \$20,250.

The Montgomery Blues and Montgomery Rifles visited Columbus in April, going into camp and remaining several days. They were cordially received and handsomely entertained.

The house of Mrs. Ann Dillon, in the 5th Ward, was burned on the 13th of May.

Among the public entertainments of this spring were well contested races over the Chattahoochee course, and a series of theatrical performances by Mr. W. H. Crisp's Company.

The Daily Sun was established on the 30th of July, by Mr. Thomas DeWolf. It was the first daily paper ever published in Columbus. The Enquirer and the Times and Sentinel then published tri-weeklies.

David Magouirk was shot and killed on the 1st of October, by Zachariah Rogers—they having a difficulty near the polls on the day of the State election.

On the night of the 4th of December, the depot of the Mobile and Girard Railroad, in Girard, was consumed by fire, with about one hundred bales of cotton and some of the papers of the company.

The Opelika Railroad bridge over the river was finished and trains passed over on the 25th of December.

The question of the amalgamation of the Muscogee with the Southwestern Railroad was submitted to a vote of the citizens of Columbus (to determine the action of Council in casting the vote at the stockholders' meeting,) and they voted against it-9 for to 371 against-on the 5th of October.

Receipts of cotton up to the 1st of May, 69,876 bales. Prices -January, 5½@7½c.; March, 6½@8c.; April, 8½@9c.; May, 91(a)91c.; June, 11(a)12c.; September, 81(a)81c.; October, 71(@81c.; December, 71(@8c.

PERSONAL.

Rev. S. II. Higgins was installed Pastor of the Presbyterian Church on the 31st December, 1854.

On the 1st Monday in January, Harvey W. Nance was elected a Judge of the Inferior Court; Thos. Chaffin, Tax Collector; Edward Birdsong, Tax Receiver.

P. J. Semmes was Captain of the Columbus Guards, and Peyton H. Colquitt of the City Light Guards.

J. B. Wright and James Lloyd were Constables of the upper district, and R. T. Simons and Jacob Shoup of the lower district.

Dr. Lockhart resigned, and Dr. W. W. Flewellen was elected City Physician, in July.

David J. Barber, Clerk of the Superior Court, died in September, and on the 2d of October the Judges of the Inferior Court appointed A. S. Rutherford to the office.

Rev. Mr. Dalzell was Rector of the Episcopal Church.

Hon. Walter T. Colquitt died at Macon on the 7th of May.

MARRIAGES.

January 4-John Berrien Oliver and Virginia A. Shorter; Thomas I. Granberry and Emily V. Ferguson; 8, Charles P. Morgan and Sarah E. Horne; 10, Samuel B. Law and Georgia W. Harden; 11, John Harris and Barbary Gammell; Absalom McDonald and Mathena Langey; Samuel R. Brannon and Mary A. Williams; 18, Parker Fisher and Juda W. Clark; 23, Henry B. Nicholson and Sarah A. E. Kemp; 25, Augustus A. Dill and Jackobim Wood; James Phillips and Martha W. Sherwood; 31, Thomas E. Young and Geor-

February 1-David Ennie and Elizabeth Williams; 4, John W. Phillips and

of Mr. Ward; 22, child of Stephen Adams; 29, child of John Lewis; 31, child of J. W. Pease.

August 5—David Wright; 9, child of John Trawick; 13, child of A. Calhoun; 23, child of Elisha Jackson.

September 2—J. Magonigal; 3, George A. Harris; 4, Mrs. Clarady; 8, Hugh McCall; 12, child of Mr. Hicks; Mr. Moore; 17, Mr. Scott; child of Mr. Bowen; child of Mr. Pike; 20, Mrs. Coznelia Daniel; 23, David J. Barber; 25, Mrs. Hicks; Mrs. Townsley.

(FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.)

October 7-Mrs. Mary W., wife of J. Rhodes Browne.

November 12-Leonard Melick.

December 12-Mary Lizzie, infant daughter of R. E. Dixon.

1856.

The City's Indebtedness-Up-Town Bridge-Location.

On the 2d Saturday in December, 1855, the following municipal officers for 1856 were elected: F. G. Wilkins, Mayor. Aldermen—1st Ward, Wm. Y. Barden, J. J. Slade; 2d, W. F. Plane, H. T. Hall; 3d, J. W. Pease, Foster S. Chapman; 4th, Jas. M. Hughes, R. H. Harris; 5th, D. B. Thompson, Jos. J. Jones; 6th, J. E. Mershon, J. Hunley; Marshal, Wm. Mahaffey; Deputy Marshal, H. P. Robinson; Treasurer, Isaac Mitchell; Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Sexton, Thos. Nix.

Council elected Dr. Flewellen, City Physician; John Peabody, City Attorney; E. Dudley, Bridge-keeper; Isabella McGee, Hospital-keeper; Jesse Bradford, Magazine-keeper; Richard Robinson, Clerk of the Market; Thos. Ragland & Co., City Printers. Health Officers—J. J. McKendree, John B. Wright, Lewis Livingston, W. E. Love, Jordan L. Howell, James M. Everett, John Kyle, Jerry Terry, N. B. Love, John T. Walker, S. Ogletree, W. P. Carter. Port Wardens—Clayton, Hill, Calhoun, Duck, Arnold. Fire Wardens—R. Goetchius, George Hungerford, C. Wise, J. C. Ruse, J. B. Strupper, T. O. Douglass.

In January, Wm. M. Lee for the 2d, and James Ligon for the 4th Ward, were elected to fill vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Ald. Plane and Hughes. Ald. Mershon having resigned, John Bunnell was in February elected an Alderman of the 6th Ward.

According to a report of the City Attorney, made in February, the following was the financial condition of the city at that time:

ASSETS.

1,500 shares Mobile and Girard Railroad stock, at \$50 per share, \$600 shares Opelika Branch Road, at \$80 per share, 100 shares City Gas Light Company stock, at \$80 per share, City Bridge, City Wharf, 7 mules, at \$175 each, Magazine,	48,000 8,000 100,000 15,000 1,225
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\$257,825 LIABILITIES.

Bonds for Mobile and Girard Railroad, \$150,000 " for Opelika Branch, 50,000 " Gas Light Company, 10,000 Bills payable to John King; 2,220

\$212,220

The estimate of revenue for the year was \$30,740.

The vexed question of the sale of the city's stock in the Muscogee Railroad to Messrs Patten and Mustian continued to perplex Council and distract its deliberations during this year. There were two obstinate parties in the city and in Council, and apparently they were nearly equally divided a condition that made final agreement and consummation of the sale very difficult. In April Council unanimously passed a resolution to submit to two legal gentlemen, to be chosen by the two parties, the question whether the city was legally bound to consummate the sale, also the sufficiency of the security offered by Patten and Mustian. But at the same meeting of Council the Mayor reported a block in the arrangement arising from a contention about a dividend due and unpaid on the stock. The matter was finally settled by the consummation of the original arrangement and the transfer of the stock to Messrs. Patten and Mustian.

(FROM THE SEXTON'S REPORTS.)

DEATHS.

January 1—Henry Jernigan; 10, child of Mr. May: 13, Wm. Matheson; 18, Mr. Stearns; 20, Mr. Pratt; 21, Mrs. Brady; 23, child of J. C. Rickley; 28, child of J. C. Horlis.

February 4—Child of James Mealer, Mrs. Cavanaugh; 6, child of Andrew Clark; 13, John Clark, child of Mr. Tillman; 22, child of Elizabeth Martin; 24, Joseph Carey, Wm. H. Wood; 28, child of J. Day.

March 14—Ezekiel Davis; 15, Mr. McCorring; 16, child of Mr. Belser; 26, Mrs. A. Mauritzen; 28, Mrs. McGinty; 30, Jackson Tilley.

April 1—Child of Green Beaman; 3, Mrs. Edwards; 8, Mrs. Kenningtou, child of William Smith; 15, Mrs. Sophia Shorter; 18, Miss Kennington; 25, John I. Ridgway, Mrs. Duncan; 26, child of Martin Harrison.

May 3—Child of H. T. Hall; 9, Mrs. Cofield; 10, Mrs. Clarida; 11, Mrs. Slade; 12, Miss Williams; 13, child of Mr. Duncan, Miss Duncan, William McKay, Nancy Caldwell; 16, child of E. Dudley, son of Grs. Bailey; 17, Mrs. Tant, Mrs. Foran; 18, Milus Chaffin, Miss Chigg; 21, Miss Bowman; 23, Fanny Forsyth; 26, child of Horace Matthews, child of Martin J. West; 39, child of Mrs. Iugram, child of Mrs. Vickers; 31, Mr. Howard, child of Martin J. West, Narcissa Burran.

June 1—Child of Mr. Cook; 2, child of Susan Foster; 3, child of Mr. Barton; 8, child of Mrs. Kennedy; 10, child of Mrs. M.Gehee; 12, Mr. Kennington; 13, child of Dr. Elwards, child of O. Danferth; 15, child of Patrick Foran: 17, child of Mr. Galespie; 18, Miss Branden; 20, Miss Boman, David Crumley, child of Mr. Little; 22, child of Wm. F. Luckie; 23, child of John Allen, child of Mr. Dink; 24, child of William Stevens, child of Mr. Kennedy; 26, child of Mr. Howard; 28, child of Mr. Belser, child of John Byard; 29, child of Mrs. Wilson; 30, child of — McElrath.

July 1—Child of J. J. Slade, child of Mr. Culver, Emm. Ortagus; 2, child of Win. Champion; 3, child of Mrs. Barton, Edward J. Lardin; 4, Martha Arnold; 5, child of John Meredith; 6, child of Mr. McGoven, Mr. Cromley; 7, child of Mrs. Wilson; 8, Lou.sa Stewart; 10, child of Mrs. Wilson; 12, D. Suddeth; 13, Mr. Kettlebrand; 14, child of G. W. Mirtin, Mrs. A. Dill; 15, child of L. Wright; 16, Mrs. Sauls; 17, child of J. L. Howell; 18, child of Thaddeus Holt, child of Mr. Borders; 22, child of Mr. McMan; 24, child of Mr. St. Ledger, son of Mr. Collius; 26, Mrs. Win. M. Lee, Cyrus Renfroe; 28, child of A. M. Walker; 29, Charles Gunter, child of Mr. Moat; 31, child of Mr. Lee, child of Sena Day.

[Note.—Most of the children named, from April to suly, inclusive, died of measles, as did several adults.]

August 1—Mrs. Wayne, Emily Perry; 4, child of Mr. Marchant, child of Mr. Wayne; 5, John Kyle, Thomas Hoxey; 6, Mr. Frazell, Ephraim C. Bandy; 7, Daniel McD. Peabody; 12, Mrs. Warner, Mr Wilson; 16, Mrs. Beaman, child of Mr. King; 18, child of Jas. Kimbrough; 19, Mary R. Moore; 20, child of John Allen; 23, Thomas Shephard; 24, A. Calhoun.

September 1—child of John McCarty; William Owen; 13, child of H, Whitlock; 17, Jane McDaniel; 20, child of Cynthia Phillips; child of James Corcoran; 26, Mrs. Sweet; 28, child of Mr. Marchant.

(FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.)

October 7—(at Columbus Factory) Mrs. Nancy Brown, aged 98; 12, Henry Slade, infant son of Alfred Prescott; 15, (in Girard) Lucius V. Malone.

November 21—(in Bealwood) Mrs. Caroline Matilda Griswold; (in Girard) Stephen D. Phillips, Postmaster; 25, infant daughter of G. W. Ashburn; 28, (in Wynnton) John L., son of James M. Chambers; M. A. Thorn, of Columbia, S. C.

December - Sterling F. Grimes.

1857.

Railroad Connections—Great Sixteen Mile Race.

Col. F. G. Wilkins and Dr. John E. Bacon were the opposing candidates for Mayor at the election in December, 1856. The vote stood—Wilkins 498, Bacon 353. The following gentlemen were elected Aldermen: 1st Ward, William Y. Barden, W. C. Gray; 2d, Wm. Perry, Roswell Ellis; 3d, F. S. Chapman, Dr. T. Stewart; 4th, A. K. Ayer, G. E. Gager; 5th, John Quin, John T. Walker; 6th, Scott Clark, John Durkin. James M. Hughes was elected Marshal; Hugh P. Robinson, Deputy Marshal; Calvin Stratton, Clerk; Isaac Mitchell, Treasurer; Thos. Nix, Sexton.

Council elected Dr. George Davis City Physician—salary \$600; Richard Robinson, Clerk of the Market, \$150; John G. Bunnell, Bridge-keeper, \$700; Isabella McGehee, Hospital-keeper, \$300; John Peabody, City Attorney, \$150; Jesse Bradford, Magazine-keeper, \$75 and fees; City Printer, Jas. N. Bethune of the Corner Stone, \$300; Port Wardens—J. M. Trawick, Edward Birdsong, J. M. Everett, James L. Hill and U. B. Frost; Health Officers—W. H. Alston, Thos. B.

Slade, M. Barringer, R. A. Ware, H. M. Cleckley, J. L. Howell, R. G. Mitchell, S. R. Andrews, J. L. Morton, W. W. Flewellen, T. V. Rutherford, John Seely.

The policy and convenience of making close railroad connections in Columbus, was a subject of interest this year. A meeting of citizens, held in Temperance Hall on the 10th of June, appointed a committee to confer with the officers of the railroads and ascertain "the ends to be attained by the proposed connections, and the means and terms of its accomplishment."

The projects of building railroads from Opelika to Oxford, Ala., and from Opelika to Talladega, first engaged the attention of the people of Columbus this year. The Times and Enquirer suggested the Oxford road, and the Sun the Talladega road.

The cars on the Mobile and Girard Railroad were this year running to Guerryton, a distance of thirty-eight miles. Two-thirds of the grading from Guerryton to Union Springs had been accomplished.

The three military companies of Columbus—Columbus Guards, Capt. Semmes; City Light Guards, Capt. Colquitt; and United Rifles, Capt. Wilkins—went to Milledgeville on the 2d of July, to participate in an encampment of the volunteer military companies of the State They returned on the 7th.

Ald. Ellis, of the 2d Ward, having resigned, Peter Preer was in August elected to fill the vacancy.

The receipts of cotton for the year enling Sept. 1, amound to 80,245 bales. Prices—in January, 11½@11½c.; in March, 11@13½c.; in May, 13½c. for middling; in September, 14½@15c.; in November, 11@11½c.; in December, 9½@9½c.

INCIDENTS.

There was snow enough on the ground for sleighing in Columbus on the 24th of January.

The "Wave," a new boat built on the banks of the river

at Columbus, under the superintendence of Capt. Charles Blaine, made a successful trial trip on the afternoon of the 9th of February, and started on the 11th on her first trip to Apalachicola.

A fatal duel between two well-known and esteemed citizens of Columbus, on the 23d of February, created a great sensation, and the result was received with universal regret. The parties were Mr. J. P. Hendricks and O. S. Kimbrough. They fought with rifles, on the South Carolina side of the Savannah river, distance forty paces, and Mr. Hendricks was mortally wounded at the second fire.

The new Masonic Hall, on Broad street, was dedicated on the 26th of March. The address was delivered by W. Rockwell, Deputy Grand Master for the Second District of Georgia.

An extraordinary and exciting race, which was run over the Chattahoochee Course on the 4th of April, engaged so much interest at the time and is still so often referred to, that we make particular mention of it here. There were three fine horses entered—all distinguished as among the best racers of the country. They were Puryear & Watson's b. c. Charleston, McDaniel's ch. h. Frankfort, and ——'s m. Sue Washington. The two first named had won well-contested races on previous days of the same meeting, and Sue Washington was celebrated by her fine running and triumphs over many tracks. It was a four-mile race, purses and winnings \$2,250. The Sun's account was as follows:

The weather was fine, attendance large, and the presence of ladies gave grace to the whole. Each entry had friends, and the wagers ran high. At the call of the bugle all three appeared. And now they are off. Sue has the track, but Charleston takes it the first mile, and leads gallantly off, close hugged by Sue, Frankfort following leisurely. Round they go at a killing pace, and run out in 7:39; Charleston 1st, Sue 2d, Frankfort dropping inside the distance.

SECOND HEAT.—Charleston has the track—he sulks—but finally goes off merrily, closely followed by Sue, Frankfort still waiting. The third mile closes, and they enter fourth in the same relative positions. Every eye is strained. See, now, they are coming home—Charleston must win. But lo!

L. P. Rush was this year Preside Elder of the Columbus District, and A. M. Wynn and N. McDonald Methodist preachers for Columbus.

William A. Lawes and Wiley Hutchins were Magistrates of the upper district, and Jn T. Walker and John Quin of the lower; James Lloydd Wm. Hale Bailiffs of the upper district, and Jacob W. Slp and Lemuel Lockhart of the lower.

E. Birdsong was County Treasus; J. G. Cook, Tax Collector; J. B. Hicks, Tax Receiver; A. Wales, B. F. Coleman, T. D. West, J. J. McKendree I W. L. Wornum, Justices of the Inferior Court.

Thomas Curry committed suiciden the 6th of January, by taking arsenic.

By a run-off of the train going t of Columbus on the Muscogee Railroad, on the 2d of Aust, John Bryant, fireman, and Patrick Sullivan, wood her, were killed. George Smith, the engineer, had a leg and arm broken.

In October, P. H. Colquitt was eted Senator by a majority of two votes over S. A. Walend N. L. Howard and R. L. Mott were elected Representes of Muscogee county.

James M. Russell was in Octoberected Judge of the City Court, vice P. H. Colquitt, resigned

MARRIAGE

January 1—John C. Reedy and Georgia Willis; 8, Bartly King and Mary Garrett; 27, James Clem and Eugenimpson; Daniel Cordery and Malvina L. Williams; Thomas J. Kimbroughd Frances A. L. Biggers; 29, Thomas R. Hall and Ann E. Braughton.

February 2—Richard R. Briggs and Martl. P. Wright; 4, Bolin S. Jeffries and Jane Carrington; 8, Peter K. Edand Lucinda Hight; William K. Smith and Martha J. Forsyth; Robertbson and Elizabeth Howard; 11, Edmund S. Roberts and Mary T. White; 19, Hiram P. Dowdy and Louisa K. McLeroy; 22, John W. Gammeld Nancy Barfield; George A. Camrom and Ann V. Sauls; 24, Simeon by and Sarah A. M. Farmer; William C. Wells and Mary E. Beers; Frs M. Pendleton and Sarah V. Ingmire.

March 20—Elijah Couch and aud Malindstliff; 24, James M. Harris and Mary Y. Levy; 29, William Garris and SarBailey; 31, Joseph S. Tinney and Lydia A. Stowe; John T. Walker and thia M. Tilley.

April 5—William Webster and 'Winney I. Almons; 8, Richard A. Dykes and Per ne ia V. Byrd; 19, Jeremiah Taylor and Martha Gammell; John A. Ansley and Missouri Chambers; 22, Nelson Brittingham and Merilda Young-blood; 23, Amos C. Ward and Lucy A. Redding; 26, David P. Russell and Mary E. Slaughter; 28, William Ratliff and Elizabeth Selter.

May 10—George W. Horne and Catharine W. Bartlett; John F. C. Senn and Josephine E. Phillips; 22, James L. Willis and Frances Biggers; 25, Benjamin F. Gardner and Martha A. E. Gilstrap; 31, James M. McCay and Mary A. L. Harris.

June 2—James M. Williams and Martha E. Seymour; 7, Charles W. Hewson and Sophronia McAlister; 14, LeRoy J. Hudson and Martha A. Caldwell.
July 1—John N. Gunn and Flora E. Thompson, Roswell Ellis and Ann L.
Slade; 2, Henry Drakeford and Mary A. Terry; 6, James D. Ferrill and
Sarah Hutson; 15, Thomas S. Tuggle and Sarah E. O'Bannon; 16, Andrew
B. Lawson and Julia I. Bourguine; 26, Thomas I. A. J. Duffee and Susan S.
Henly; 28, Joseph B. Aguero and Eliza I. Abbott.

August 2—Mayberry Hitt and Arena Crouch; 4, George W. Langford and Mary J. Giddings; 6, David Gunn and Nancy Dees; 11, William G. Wiley and Mary J. Carnes; 13, Daniel T. Looney and Martha E. Kirkland; 18, Harrison Merrill and Olive T. Smith; 26, John T. Moye and Margaret McGuirk; 27, George W. Haynes and Victoria E. Broadnax.

September 5—Jackson Rouland and Permelia Lewis; 6, John I. Bigles and Martha Blakeley; 7, William K. Jones and Julia A. Goodwin; 10, John W. Davis and Frances A. McKennell; 24, Andrew Slagle and Mary Bullock.

October 4—James W. Tillman and Mary A. Senn; 5, William D. Edwards and Martha E. Hood; 8, Thomas M. Bryant and Martha Clay; 11, Darius Cox and Roxanna M. Evans; 29, Adolphus Wittich and Catharine Albrecht.

November 3—Andrew J. Hudson and Nancy M. Perkius; 7, Charles Markham and Mary J. Wiggins; 8, Daniel Huff and Eusebia A. Blanchard; 9, James S. H. Menifee and Rachel M. Hooks; 11, Henry A. Chapman and Martha G. Wales; 12, Jack D. Clarke and Mary D. Williams; John S. Smith and Anna Brassill; 14, John W. Orun and Harriet E. Hoyde; 15, David Jones and Elmira Rowe; 19, Charles B. Mims and Leonora H. Bonner; George Gullen and Mary E. Smith; 22, Robert I. Smith and Clarissa A. Tidwell; 25, George A. Kindon and Martha R. Clarke.

December 2—Franklin H. Clark and Martha I. Britt; 3, Abner A. Evans and Mary E. Lyons; Thomas G. Perry and Eliza J. Wilson; Milton J. Glaze and Frances Frazier; 6, Sylvanus Cherry and Delilah Brassil; 12, Neal McCary and Martha E. Augle; 15, Andrew I. Harris and Martha F. Snellings; 16, Elisha M. Gram and Nancy Thompson; Edward W. Beers and Sophia V. King; Alexander L. Smith and Sallie L. Levy; 17, Eucratus Roland and Mary V. Durr; 20, Thomas H. Whitby and Emily M. Gunn; 22, John McGuire and Nancy Brannon; Joseph D. Trammell and Mattic C. Sapp; 23, Daniel Hood and Nancy Edwards; 24, William Oates and Nancy Newsom; 27, William Jordan and Mary A. George; 30, John Stringfield and Abigail Hendricks; 31, Joseph Teal and Frances Patrick.

(FROM THE SEXTON'S REPORTS.

January 7—Thomas Curry; 8, John Woods; 11, child of Mr. Foley; 21, child of Mr. Cadman, Miss Tapper; 24, child of Mrs. Summergill; 26, William B. Bacon; 27, Joseph Wise.

February 1—Child of J. A. Bradford; 2, child of Mr. Cadman; 3, Harvill Kent; 8, Mrs. V. R. Tommy; 11, child of Mr. Gayle; 14, Margaret Hudgins, Miss Spencer; 16, child of Mr. Persons; 18, child of Mr. Renfroc; 19, Mrs. Cynthia Cooper; 20, Miss Pettis; 22, child of Mr. Bussey; 24, child of Mr. Garrison, child of Mr. Barden; 27, Mrs. Robinson; 28, Miss Blankenship, Mr. Upton, jr.

March 1—Child of F. C. Johnson; 4, Master Upton, child of Mr. Darling; 6, Mrs. Brown; 9, Mr. Crook; 11, child of Mr. Flynn; 15, child of Mr. Frank; 19, Mr. White; 20, child of Mr. Smith, J. T. Thompson; 21, Mr. Hemphill; 22, child of Mr. McGibbins; 25, child of Elijah Williams; 28, Mr. Cherry; 29, Mr. Knight; 30, Mrs. Buran, Mrs. Dennis.

April 4—Child of Eliza Garven; 5, child of John Vanzant; 7, Mr. McDowall; 13, child of Josephine Champion; 14, William Pride; 16, child of Mr. Lawrence; 18, Mrs. Sheridan; 21, child of Jacob Moore; 22, Caroline McGibbins; Mrs. Louisa Jane Ware, George Murphey.

May 1—Child of John Dunahoe, child of Mr. Sharpe; 2, child of Mr. Brown; 3, child of Mr. Harrington; 7, Jacob Moore, James Moore; 8, Mrs. Sarah McCarty; 9, Hugh Dolan; 10, child of Amanda Rodgers, C. B. Dudley; 12, child of Francis McGehee; 17, child of Thomas King; 20, James M. Mitchell; 21, child of John Dunahoe; 22, child of John Dunahoe, child of A. Dukes, child of — Hammock, Mrs. David Cropp; 29, Joseph Midway.

June 3—Child of James Caulfield, child of —— Thomas; 4, child of —— Hastings, child of Henry Harris; 5, child of Elizabeth Meredith, Elizabeth Hammock; 8, child of E. Dudley; 9, child of O. Connor; 12, John Allen, Elvira Hopkins; 15, Mrs. Narcissa Boykin; 18, child of Mrs. Porter; 21, Martha Moman; 22, child of Mrs. Ware; 24, Ann Kelly; 25, William Gibson, child of George W. Martin; 26, child of Bryant Duncan, child of Mr. Black; 29, Miss Jones, child of F. G. Wilkins

From July 1st to October 1st (no other date given)—Child of J. K. Maddox, Louisa Adcock, Mrs. Maria Brown, Hugh Farish, child of Dr. Cushman, John Brady, Charles B. Frederick, child of Wm. Davidson, Sarah Brazell, Elvira Williams, Mrs. Hugh Dolan, child of Mr. Collins, child from Hospital, Richard Robinson. child of George Jones, child of Mrs. Shepherd, child of T. Simson, child of W. Barrington, child of John Avery, George Spellman, child of W. Powers, George D. Moss, child of Mrs. Mix, child of Charles Davenport, child of Mr. Smith, Martha Hartz, Mrs. Richard Jones, child of Mr. Ridley, George M. Dickson, child of Mrs. Porter, child of John Avery, child of Dr. Cushman, John Mitchell, child of Wm. Brooks, William Cauley, child of William Getsinger, — Hyneman, child of Mrs. Griffin, child of Mrs. Garrett, child of Mr. Mix, Miss McGurt, child of Mrs. Upton, child of

P. Finnegan, child of William Jones, child of Mr. Stewart, John Code, sr., child of William Pruden, David Gunn, child of W. H. Hill, child of R. B. Murdock, child of F. M. Gray, Michael Moran, child of A. P. Welsh, child of —— Leggett, child of William Edward, Mrs. George A. Norris, Mr. Manson, child of Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Torrey, Mrs. R. C. Shorter, child of Mr. Brazill, Mrs. Mary Wiseman.

October 1—Mrs. Stalis; 2, child of Mrs. Edwards, child of Benj. Dellans, child of Ezra Mershon; 3, child of Mrs. Wells; child of P. Hollihan; 7, child of Henry Simmons, child of Mrs. O'Tagus, child of Mr. Harris; 8, Mr. Bankston, Ann Hamilton; 9, child of Mr. Jordan, Mary Miller; 10, Josiah Pranglin; 11, Mrs. Davis; 12, child of Mr. Stewart; 13, Mrs. Geo. W. Dillingham; 14, Mrs. Paradine; 16, child of Mrs. Brassill, Mrs. Bray, Miss Parish; 20, Mrs. Senborn, child of Mr. Browning, Mrs. Josiah Prangle; 21, Mrs. Brady; 22, child of Perry Spencer, Mrs. Brannon; 23, child of Mr. Babbitt, child of Mrs. Meigs; 25, Win. Fincher; 29, Mrs. McKinnle; 30, Jefferson Parks; 31, Isaac Williams.

November I.—Mrs. Watson, child of Perry Spencer; 2, Mrs. Jas. Kimbrough; 3, Henry Champion, Susan Brown; 4, Mrs. Moman, 6, James L. Garrard; 7, John Riley; 9, child of Mr. Pullani 11, Miss Holly; 13, Miss Ball, child of James Burem, 15, Thomas Carter; 16, child of Martha Gammon; 19, child of Wm. E. Brooks, Louisa Gilmore; 21, Berry King; 22, child of Martha Ivey; 25, Martha Gunn, Hugh Kirkpatrick.

December 7.—John Calhoun, Mrs. Mary McAlister; 8, child of Jumes Bussey; 10, child of John Harney; 13, Mrs. Bussey, Mrs. J. T. Flewellen, child of Jesse Harbuck; 18, Emeline Phole; 20, child of John Kavanaugh; 22, Mrs. Jenny Holtzelaw; 23, James Foley; 25, child of John Hamilton; 27, James Wagner; 28, Mrs. Adams; 30, two children of William Jones.

Note.—Both measies and scarlet fever prevailed among the children during this year, and many of them died of those diseases.

1858.

Disastrous Railroad Accident-City Taxes.

This appears to have been a year of considerable business activity and general prosperity for Columbus. The receipts of cotton were large, and the price good, and a heavy trade with the country was done by the merchants. It was also a year of remarkable good health, as the Sexton's reports of interments show. There was a little alarm in November about some cases of fever on the portion of Crawford street known as Battle Row. It was of a malignant type, resembling yellow fever, and the report got out into the country that there was yellow fever in Columbus. Several persons died with it. Whatever may have been the proper name for

this fever, it did not spread. Frosts occurred while the first cases were suffering from it, and its course was soon arrested.

The municipal officers for this year were—Mayor, F. G. Wilkins; Aldermen—1st Ward, P. H. Alston, Wm. C. Gray; 2d, Peter Preer, James Vernoy; 3d, Joseph Kyle, J. R. Eastham; 4th, M. Barschall, Joseph Smith; 5th, D. B. Thompson, John T. Walker; 6th, John Durkin, W. R. Brown; Marshal, J. M. Hughes; Deputy Marshal, H. P. Robinson; Clerk, Calvin Stratton; Treasurer, R. G. Mitchell; Sexton, Thos. Nix. These were elected by the people on the second Saturday in December, 1857, except Mr. Wm. C. Gray, Alderman for the 1st Ward, who was elected on the 19th of December, there having been a tie in that ward at the regular election between Wm. C. Gray and D. McArthur.

Council elected N. L. Hutchins, City Attorney; Dr. Ellison, City Physician; J. D. Hughes, Bridge-keeper; W. Tilley, Clerk of the Market; Isabella McGehee, Hospital-keeper; Thos. Ragland & Co., City Printers; Port Wardens—D. L. Booher, J. C. Brewer, L. B. Duck, W. L. Salisbury, John Ligon; Health Officers—Wm. C. Gray, F. J. Abbott, Edward Croft, F. S. Chapman, D. C. Jackson, W. J. Chaffin, J. W. King, A. Ingmire, Wm. Daniel, James M. Everett, John Seely, S. Ogletree.

An act was passed by the Legislature authorizing the Muscogee and the Opelika Branch Railroads to connect their roads by extending them through the City Commons and streets of Columbus, with the assent of the people of the city. Council in March passed an ordinance authorizing the Muscogee Railroad to connect with the Opelika Branch, by extending its road across the North Commons; also to connect with the Mobile and Girard Railroad by extending its road through Thomas street and building a bridge across the river at the foot of Thomas street; the Muscogee Railroad Company to pay into the city treasury for this privilege \$2,000 the first year after the making of the connection and \$3,000 for every year thereafter. This proposition was sub-

mitted to the people at an election held on the 27th of February, and ratified by a vote of 350 to 91. The Muscogee Railroad accepted the proposition, and a contract embodying its terms was approved by Council on the 8th of March.

The following were officers of the Fire Department this year: Chief Engineer, J. L. Morton; Assistant Engineer, J. B. Strupper; Columbus Fire Company No. 1—R. A. Ware, President, J. D. Johnson, Foreman; Vigilant No. 2—Jos. A. Roberts, President, James Vernoy, Foreman; Muscogee No. 8—I. G. Strupper, Foreman, Samuel Lawhon, Assistant.

C. C. Cody was in January elected an Alderman of the 4th Ward, vice Joseph C. Smith resigned.

The Financial Committee in a report made to Council on the 15th of March, estimated the expenditures necessary for the year at \$51,970. Of this amount \$21,000 was for interest on bonds to the Mobile and Girard Railroad, \$3,500 for the Opelika Branch Road, and \$10,000 for the Gas Company; the balance for ordinary expenses. The receipts were estimated at \$19,820, including \$2,500 from bonds of the Montgomery and West Point Railroad Company. This estimated income was exclusive of the taxes for 1858, to adjust which to the wants of the city treasury the committee recommended a scale of taxes, as follows: On real estate, 15 cents on the \$100 value; on sales of all goods merchandise or other articles not specifically taxed, 15 cents on the \$100—this for city purposes; additional tax for railroad purposes, real estate 70 cents on the \$100; sales as above 30 cents on the \$100. The report of the committee was adopted with an amendment taxing some other property. Council also resolved to redeem the tax for railroad purposes, when scrip for the same to the amount of \$100 should be presented, in stock of the Mobile and Girard Railroad when transferred to the city. Many tax-payers resisted payment of the railroad tax, and a case was carried to the courts by Col. S. Jones and others. Council employed Messrs. Wellborn, Johnson & Sloan as counsel for the city. The collection of the tax being thus suspended, Council borrowed \$22,444 from the banks, wherewith to pay the bonds given to the Muscogee Railroad Company. The Supreme Court sustained Col. Jones and others in their resistance to the tax, and Council then asked of the Legislature the passage of an act authorizing a similar tax.

There were four military companies in the city this year, viz: Columbus Guards, Capt. Semmes; City Light Guards, Capt. Colquitt; United Rifles, Capt. Wilkins; and Georgia True Greys, Capt. Andrews.

The new or upper bridge over the river was completed in July, but Council and the company who built it could not agree upon the terms of its acceptance—the company at first asking Council to make a bond to keep it in repair. In November the company threw it open to public use, and Council, in turn, declared the lower bridge free of toll. A committee of Council had reported that the upper bridge was not built in a substantial and satisfactory manner.

John S. Allen was in October elected an Alderman of the 2d Ward, vice Alderman Precr, resigned.

H. P. Robinson having resigned the office of Deputy Marshal, on account of bad health, Henry Riley was elected on the 13th of November.

INCIDENTS.

The river was very high on the 13th and 14th of January, and for a time much apprehension was felt for the bridges, but they were not injured. The bank on the Girard side caved greatly, whole acres falling into the river, taking one or two houses with them. No lives were lost. The Palace Mills sustained considerable damage.

Michael Tracy was shot in the breast and killed by a man named Hinch, on the 7th of February. The affray between them occurred between Bridge and Crawford streets. Hinch was a comparative stranger, having been in the city but a short time. He was arrested and committed.

"Suspension" was this year the terminus of the Mobile and Girard Railroad, and a postoffice was established there in April. At the Spring Term of Muscogee Superior Court, Samuel Hinch was found guilty of the murder of Michael Tracy, and sentenced to be hung on the 2d of July. James Thompson was re-sentenced to be hung on the same day. Thompson made a speech exonerating Guilford, who, after obtaining a new trial, had plead guilty of involuntary manslaughter and been re-sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Thompson was hung on the 2d of July, according to sentence. Hinch by appeal, secured a postponement of his execution. He was re-sentenced and he and Dozier were hung on the 17th of December.

A great revival of religion was experienced in Columbus in May and June. On the last Sunday in May about sixty new converts joined the M. E. Church, and a number joined the other churches of the city. On the first Sunday in June about seventy joined the Presbyterian Church. The estimate up to that time was that 170 had joined the Methodist church, 70 the Presbyterian, 60 the Baptist, and 26 the Episcopalian. Many more accessions were afterwards made to each of these churches, making the whole number of converts during the revival over 500.

The M. E. Church in Girard, now in use, was dedicated on the 18th of July by Rev. W. G. Conner, of LaGrange. The same gentleman dedicated a new M. E. Church "in the lower part of the city" (Columbus) on the 1st of August.

The first bale of new cotton was received from the plantation of Mrs. A. E. Shepherd, in Stewart county, on the 30th of July, and sold for 14½ cents.

A new Baptist Church, for the negroes of that denomination, was dedicated on the 22d of August, by Rev. J. H. De-Votie. Its location was the northwest corner of St. Clair and Front streets.

The *Enquirer* commenced the publication of a daily paper on the 24th of September.

A white woman, Mrs. Minchin, was burnt to death by a fire in her house in the southern part of the city on the night

1859.

*Destructive Warehouse Fires—Railroads—Market Ordinance.

The election for municipal officers of this year was held under an amendment of the charter, which required the election of Aldermen by general ticket, but Ward representation was still preserved by the requirement that two Aldermen should live in each Ward. This is the mode of election still maintained. It met with strong opposition when first proposed, and the Council of 1858 protested against it. The act passed only a few days before the election on the second Saturday in December, 1858.

A leading question in the election of a city government for this year was that of the new bridge. The candidates nominated on the "People's Ticket" were opposed to the Council's receiving the bridge on the terms and conditions proposed by the company that had it built; and this ticket was successful in the election.

The candidates for Mayor were F. G. Wilkins and W. H. Holstead, and the vote between them stood—Wilkins 388, Holstead 353. The following gentlemen were elected Aldermen: 1st Ward, J. J. McKendree, Edward Croft; 2d, J. W. King, J. A. Urquhart; 3d, T. O. Douglass, A. C. Kivlin; 4th, M. Barschall, C. C. Cody; 5th, D. B. Thompson, John Quin; 6th, S. Ogletree, John Durkin. Dr. Urquhart's name was on both tickets. The vote for the "People's Ticket" ranged from 406 to 476; that for the "New Bridge Ticket" from 214 to 323. J. M. Hughes was elected Marshal; G. W. Haynes, Deputy Marshal; R. G. Mitchell, Treasurer; Calvin Stratton, Clerk; and Thos. Nix, Sexton.

Council elected John Peabody, City Attorney; Dr. Ellison, City Physician; W. Tilley, Clerk of the Market; John Bunnell, Bridge Keeper; Mrs. Isabella McGehee, Hospital Keeper; J. Bradford, Magazine Keeper; James N. Bethune, City

Printer; Health Officers—M. A. Doney, D. McArthur, A. F. Brannon, Dr. Ware, Jos. Daniel, Thos. Sloan, John Whitesides, John Ligon, W. Daniel, J. T. Walker, Theo. Ewing; Port Wardens—J. R. Eastham, Jas. Everett, W. J. Chaffin, J. F. Howard, Wm. L. Salisbury.

One of the first subjects that necessarily engaged the attention of the new Council was that of the bridges. A committee was appointed to report some arrangement to adjust the difficulty. This committee reported that it had not succeeded in making any satisfactory arrangement with the owners of the new bridge, and offered a resolution re-establishing tolls on the lower bridge. This resolution was rejected. Council resolved to allow the bridge-keeper house rent free temporarily, as compensation for his taking care of the bridge, and in March voted him one dollar per day, up to that time, in addition. No arrangement having been effected with the owners of the new bridge, both bridges remained free of toll.

Thomas M. Hogan was in March elected an Alderman of the 2d Ward, vice Alderman Urquhart, resigned.

In March, the Muscogee Railroad Company petitioned Council to release it from the prohibition to connect the Muscogee and Opelika Railraads within the city limits previous to a connection with the Mobile and Girard Railroad, also, and proposed to pay a tax of \$1,000 annually for the privilege of connecting the two first-named roads alone—this to include the tax previously levied on the Muscogee Railroad. Council having given consent, the Company advertised on the 26th of March for proposals for the grading and masonry of the connecting section.

The friends of the Opelika and Talladega Railroad and the Opelika and Oxford Railroad, respectively, were quite active this year in urging the claims of these two projects. Columbus was interested in both. A meeting of the citizens, called by the Mayor, was held in the Council Chamber on the 17th of May, at which prominent gentlemen of Tallapoosa and

December 1—James R. McGehee and Avarilla E. Crawford: 8, William S. Lockhart and Mary A. M. Skinner; Alexander Scott and Caroline C. Wall; Howard W. Finney and Susan E. Smith; 15, Wm. E. Fickling and Martha E. Rogers; Isaac Gammons and Jane A. E. Bozeman; Justin F. Buchanan and Louisa Scmple; 18, David N. Morris and Elizabeth Duke; 19, James J. Cherry and Minerva McGehee; 21, Allen G. Burge and Amunda McCay; William I. Baird and Mary A. Whatley; 23, Jackson P. Johnson and Mary Yaney; 24, John I. Lambert and Amanda N. Stephens; 25, Phillip Henly and Susannah Hudson; John Gallaway and Louisa M. Smith; 27, William A. Dunklin and Jennie A. Thompson; 28, Jasper Blackwell and Mary A. Roberson; 31, William M. Allen and Saramantha I. Phillips.

DEATHS.

January 13-Mrs. J. L. Pearce; 21, (in Apalachicola,) Thomas Poitevent, of Girard; 26, E. Birdsong, County Treasurer.

February 1—(in Wynnton,) infant child of J. II. Sikes; —, John E. Clark; 23, (at White Sulphur Springs,) Mrs. Martha A. Mitchell, of Columbus; 26, (in Girard,) John Godwin, builder of the city bridge; 28, (in Girard,) Mrs. Delilah Reed.

March 6—Joseph W. Thomas, former editor of the *Enquirer*: 15, Thos. E. Greenwood.

May 11—Mrs. Temperance Whitesides; 11, (in Wynnton,) James Philip, infant son of John E. Lamar.

June 8—Thomas Emmons, infant son of Thos. S. Spear; 10, Miss Amelia, daughter of James A. Bradford; 11, James McCoy, foreman of the machine shop of the Mobile and Girard Railroad, in Girard; 13, Mrs. A. H. Flewellen; 21, (in Girard,) Green B. Woodson; 19, William Rankin; 28, (in Girard,) Martha Elizabeth, infant daughter of J. C. Harris.

July 6—Reuben Allison, infant son of W. C. Gray; 12, (in Wynnton,) Mrs. Virginia A. Oliver; 21, (in Girard,) William Wommack; 23, (at Warm Springs, Meriwether,) John H. Davis, of Columbus.

August 3—William H. Lamar, Deputy Sheriff; 21, George W. Carey; 26, Miss Adora Rebecca, daughter of Joseph D. Hughes.

Sept. 9—John Joseph, infant son of James M. Everett; —, John M. Flournoy; 18, Miss Laura, daughter of Joseph D. Hughes; —, Dr. Richard H. Lockhart; 27, Mrs. Elizabeth Gammel, aged 115 years.

Oct. 13—(in Linnwood,) Dr. Thos. W. Dawson; 16, Dr. George S. Hardaway; 24, Victor S. Townsley; 9, Dr. Solon M. Grigg; 16, Willie E. DuBose; 30, (in Girard,) Miss Jeannette Phillips.

Nov. 14-Fidel Bachle; 29, John Lloyd.

Dec. 2—Cyprian, infant son of D. F. Willcox; —, Mrs. Ann Gambrill; 15, William H. Huff; 19, (in Richmond, Texas,) Hon. Mirabeau B. Lamar.

1860.

Railroad Projects—Political Excitement—Military Organizations.

The following was the result of the municipal election on the second Saturday in December: Mayor, Willis S. Holstead; Aldermen—1st Ward, E. Barnett, J. H. Merry; 2d, Edward Croft, J. W. King; 3d, James M. Bivins, W. L. Wornum; 4th, John Ligon, W. L. Salisbury; 5th, John Quin, D. B. Thompson; 6th, James T. Daniel, John Durkin. The opponents of Mr. Holstead for Mayor were Wm. Perry and W. A. Tennille. Jas. M. Hughes was elected Marshal; G. A. Huckeba, Deputy Marshal; Calvin Stratton, Clerk; R. G. Mitchell, Treasurer; and Henry Harris, Sexton.

Council elected William Tilley, Clerk of the Market; John Peabody, City Attorney; F. C. Ellison, City Physician; Thomas Gilbert & Co., City Printers; Joseph E. Webster, Wharfinger; C. F. Neuffer, Magazine Keeper; Mrs. Isabella McGehee, Hospital Keeper. Port Wardens—Jas. M. Everett, T. O. Douglass, Van Marcus, S. Ogletree, A. M. Kimbrough:

The report of the Treasurer showed that the city was indebted for bonds to the Mobile and Girard Railroad \$300,000, bonds to Opelika Branch Road \$50,000, bonds to City Gas Light Company \$10,000, Muscogee Railroad stock \$1,200, stock for Opelika Railroad Depot \$10,000, and stock for dividends in Gas Light Company \$2,000.

Council made a contract, in February, with Messrs. Goetchius & Hodges for the building of a new Market House on Oglethorpe street, near St. Clair. Some of the citizens filed an injunction a few days afterwards.

Messrs. J. A. Bradford, M. Barschall and S. R. Andrews, assessors of real estate in the city, reported in February that

they had taken the census of Columbus, and gave the following statistics: White males 2,381, white females 2,394—total whites 4,755; colored males 1,013, colored females 1,328—total colored 2,341; total population 7,116. Value of real estate, \$2,966,200. This enumeration included only the city proper, within the incorporated limits.

The Enquirer of the 10th of April announced that the Eagle Manufacturing Company had purchased the Howard Factory, and would run both establishments. It added: "We understand that these united Factories run 10,000 cotton and 1,300 woolen spindles; that they have 282 looms weaving cotton and woolen goods; that they consume nine bales of cotton and 1,000 pounds of wool'per day, and employ 500 hands, at an expense of \$240 per day for their labor. The capital employed is \$375,000."

Work was commenced on the Mobile and Girard Railroad Bridge this year, but was suspended after the construction of two of the piers, and the bridge was not finished until after the war.

S. B. Warnock was on the 30th of June elected an Alderman of the 3d Ward, in the place of Alderman Bivins, resigned. The whole city voted, and the election aroused considerable interest, from the fact that the candidates ran as friends or opponents of the re-election of Maj. Howard as President of the Mobile and Girard Railroad. Mr. Warnock was opposed to Major Howard's re-election, and received 350 votes to 299 for Mr. T. O. Douglas. Council had instructed its delegates to the Convention of stockholders to vote for Major Howard, but after this election it re-considered that vote and instructed them to vote for Wm. H. Mitchel, Esq. At the meeting of stockholders, Mr. Mitchel was elected without opposition.

There were several projects of improvement in whose behalf aid from the city was this year asked. There were the Opelika and Talledega, the Opelika and Oxford, and the La-

Grange Railroads, further aid to the Mobile and Girard Railroad, so as to extend it to Union Springs; and a system of Water Works for the city. Council adopted an ordinance submitting to a vote of the people, on the first Saturday in July, the question of subscribing not exceeding \$150,000 for the introduction of water into the city, and \$100,000 to the Opelika and Talladega Railroad (now known as the Savannah and Memphis.) The vote was taken on each proposition separately. The subscription to the Railroad was approved by a vote of 206 to 27. The vote on the Water Works question stood—yeas 38, nays 187. The proposition thus defeated was to bring water into the city from the river above, by means of an aqueduct.

The tax returns of the county, made this year, showed 981 polls, number of slaves 6,164, free negroes 37, number of acres of land—first quality 1,983, second quality 2,568, third quality 27,926, pine land 176,883, value of land \$1,800,474, value of city property \$2,415,625, value of slaves \$4,203,350, amount of money and solvent debts \$3,076,128, amount of merchandise \$1,078,905, amount of shipping or tonnage \$17,920, all other capital invested in stock of any kind \$548,115, value of household and kitchen furniture over \$300—\$139,200, value of other property not before enumerated \$407,796—total \$13,687,486. This being the year immediately preceding the war, these statistics are interesting for comparison.

The census taken this year by the Federal authorities showed a white population in Columbus proper (not taking in Wynnton, &c.,) of 5,674, slaves 3,265, free negroes 100—total 9,039. The total population of Muscogee county, by this census, was 17,039.

Party politics ran very high this year, particularly after the election of Abraham Lincoln as President in November. The question of secession engaged the attention of the people of Columbus, as of every other city of the South. The Secession party had a majority in the city, though the co-oper-

ationists were pretty strong and made a stout contest. An organization called the "Southern Guard" was formed in Columbus very soon after the November election. It partook of a military character, with a Captain, Lieutenants and other officers. The old military companies of the city joined it. On the night of the 23d of December the city was brilliantly illuminated in honor of the secession of South Carolina. Some of the devices displayed by the arrangement of lights were very pretty and brilliant. It was a beautiful and imposing pageant. There was at the same time a very large meeting in Temperance Hall, which the several military companies attended in uniform. Spirited speeches were delivered. A torch-light procession through the streets, with banners and emblems, was a magnificent sight. Bonfires blazed in the streets, fireworks sparkled and hissed, and altogether it was an extraordinary and most exciting and impressive spectacle. Of the papers of the city, the Times advocated secession, the Enquirer co-operation, and the Sun had two editors, one of whom was a co-operationist and the other a separate State secessionist.

INCIDENTS.

A curious spectacle was presented at the wharf in the early part of January, by the steamers Oswichee and Munnerlyn lying high and dry out of the water. The river fell so rapidly on the night of the 2d as to leave them in that fix. The Munnerlyn was extricated on the 10th of January, without much damage. The Oswitchee was relieved on the 25th of January.

The residence of Joseph Rempert, on Troup street, was burnt on the 18th of January. The house belonged to John Quin.

About one hundred bales of cotton from Macon, en route for Apalachicola, arrived in Columbus on the 20th of January. The river trade was active, and Apalachicola flourishing then.

John H. Dorsett was fatally shot during a fight in the lower portion of the city, late in January. It was said that a man named McCollough shot him in self-defense.

Levi, son of John Rogers, was accidently shot and killed by another youth named George Odom, on the 20th of February, while they were shooting robins near the Muscogee Depot.

Mrs. Allen, wife of John Allen, of Girard, was badly burned by her dress taking fire on the 9th of March, and died two or three days afterwards.

The jail of Muscogee county caught fire, on the morning of the 19th of March, from a chimney, and was destroyed. There were several prisoners in it, but none were hurt. The fire started inside the building.

The extensive furniture factory of Mr. Walton K. Harris, known as the "Novelty Works," was destroyed by fire on the evening of the 7th of April, with a large quantity of furniture, finished and unfinished. The loss was \$14,000 or \$15,000, and insurance about \$8,000. The stable, kitchen and smoke-house of Capt. McAlister, on the adjoining lot, were also burnt.

A great bank robbery, discovered on the 10th of April, created no little astonishment and interest. It was found that about \$45,500 had been stolen from the agency in Columbus of the Marine Bank of Savannah, of which Mr. L. G. Bowers was agent. Mr. Bowers offered a reward of \$7,500 for the recovery of the money and the detection of the thief. Early on the morning of the 12th of April, a package containing \$30,000 of the money was found on a little bridge in the outskirts of the city, near the Orphan Asylum; and later in the day \$13,000 more of it was found secreted under the steps of a house in the same neighborhood. Mr. E. B. Holmes, the teller of the agency, was arrested and gave bond in the sum of \$2,500, which was about the amount of the loss of the Bank.

February 2—James Ligon, Samuel Hall, child of Mr. Brice: 18, child of Mr. Copeland, H. Hurd, William Daniel, Amanda V. Williford, child of Mr. Silver, Patrick Murphy, child of Mr. Sherly, child of A. Picket,; 25, child of J. B. Starker, child of Mr. Sherman, Mr. Kennedy, child of Mrs. McArdel.

March 6—Child of A. Brannon, child of Mr. Matheson, Mr. Eritton, child of Mr. Hunt, child of H. Nance; 10, child of Mr. Martin. Mrs. B. Walker, William Connor, child of Mr. Hicks; 13, child of Mr. Cadman, Mr. McCairn, Mrs. Thomas; 16, child of Mrs. Bonds, Miss Peabody; 17, Lucinda Britt, Wm. McMichael; 18, Emily Coursey, Mr. Mattox.

No reports published for the months intervening between above and the following months:

October 12—Child of Mr. Boyd, child of Mr. Preer; 14, child of Mrs. Delonaugh; 19, child of Mr. Bailey; 20, Leonard Black, Mr. Raiford, Jasper Preer; 25, Mr. Talbot, child of John O'Bryan; 28, child of Josse Bradford, child of Mr. Bivin.

November 1—Child of Mrs. Emily Moottey; 6, Neil Fulgham; child of Mr. Hall; 7, Harvy Nance; 14, Mr. Paine, child of Mrs. Cooper; 18, Henrietta Wood, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Bumbush; 19, child of James Smith, child of Mrs. Robison.

(FROM THE NEWSPAPERS.)

April 30-Henry Epping, infant son of S. H. Hill.

May 4—Carolina Lucy, child of L. T. Downing; 7, Victoria Core, infant child of J. W. King; —, James Redd, Jr.; —, Rev. Wm. H. Grace.

June 19-Yelverton, son of John W. King; 27, Mrs. Sarah Ann, wife of Thomas Ragland; 28, Mrs. Martha Irene Abbott.

July 4—Sallie Georgia, daughter of Van Marcus; 9, Mrs. Juliana Hulen; 11, Mrs. Nian W. Chalfant; —, Samuel J. Hicks; —, Isaac T. Cary; 26, Dr. Gilbert Reese.

August 1—Eula, infant daughter of Hatch Cook; 24, L. W. Pryor.

September 5—(near Pine Knot Springs) Thomas, son of Thomas DeWolf; 15, George Van Doren, infant son of James A. Girdner; 24, Charles Henry, infant son of J. H. Weeks.

October 11-Mrs. Mary Lamar.

November 30-Benjamin H. Hurt; -, H. Bishop.

December 18-B. Y. Martin.

1861.

First Year of the War-Military Companies.

The election for municipal officers, on the second Saturday in December last, was contested in a lively manner. There were four candidates for Mayor—D. B. Thompson, F. G. Wil-

kins, W. N. Hutchins and William Perry. The vote stood—Thompson 300, Wilkins 281, Hutchins 186, Perry 140. The following gentlemen were elected Aldermen: 1st Ward, G. W. Dillingham, T. S. Spear; 2d, J. F. Bozeman, F. C. Johnson; 3d, J. Hazleton, T. O. Douglass; 4th, John Ligon, W. L. Salisbury; 5th, E. Croft, Van Marcus; 6th, George Stein, J. M. Bivins. James M. Hughes was elected Marshal; Geo. A. Huckeba, Deputy Marshal; George W. Jones, Clerk of Council; Jas. D. Johnson, Treasurer; H. M. Harris, Sexton.

Council elected John Peabody, City Attorney; Joseph E. Webster, Wharfinger; C. F. Neuffer, Magazine Keeper; Mrs. Isabella McGehee, Hospital Keeper; — Jordan, Bridge Keeper; W. R. Jones, Clerk of the Market; *Times*, City Printer; A. Ingmire, James M. Everett, W. S. Holstead, Jas. M. Denson and Sam'l Law, Port Wardens. Health Officers—Dr. Flewellen, B. F. Coleman, A. O. Blackmar, Dr. Baird, J. Kyle, T. H. Sloan, R. W. Denton, Hatch Cook, Joseph Drumright, James Kivlin, John Seeley, D. S. Porter.

The political excitement caused by the election of Lincoln as President continued and increased. The Georgia Legislature had called a State Convention to consider the question of Secession, and had appointed the 2d of January as the day for the election of delegates. The two parties in Georgia were the immediate Secessionists and the Co-Operationists. The former nominated Hon. H. L. Benning, Jas. N. Ramsey, Esq., and A. S. Rutherford as their candidates for delegates for Muscogee; the Co-Operationists nominated Hon. Hines Holt, N. L. Howard and Porter Ingram, Esqrs. The Secession ticket was elected by a vote of 944 to 459. Notwithstanding the great excitement and the vast importance of the issue, the vote of the county was two hundred short of that cast at the Presidential election in November previous.

The several Military Companies of Columbus were among the first to signify to Gov. Brown their readiness to respond to any call for the defence of the State. This they did before Georgia had seeded. The Georgia State Convention passed the ordinance of Secession on the 19th of January, and on the night of the 21st Columbus was brilliantly illuminated in honor of the event. Cannons were fired, a great torchlight procession, with transparencies and banners, paraded the streets; the Military Companies of the city then organized—viz: the Columbus Guards, City Light Guards, Georgia Grays, Muscogee Mounted Rangers, and company D of the Southern Guard, also Fire Company No. 5, which had assumed a military character, participated in uniform. The illumination was general and the whole display was a very imposing and inspiring one.

The "Muscogee Mounted Rangers," a new military company raised by Col. John A. Strother, in view of the probability of a war between the States, was organized in February.

A Board of Trade was organized in Columbus on the 29th of March, by the election of the following officers: President, R. M. Gunby; Vice President, H. S. Estes; Secretary, Geo. W. Dillingham.

All of the organized military companies of Columbus were prompt to tender their services to the support of the cause of the Confederacy. The first one called out was Company "D" of the Southern Guard, Captain Wilkins. It was called out by Governor Brown, in response to a requisition by President Davis for two thousand Georgia Troops. This company left Columbus, to rendezvous at Macon, on the first of April. The following is a list of officers and members of the company, made out a day or two before its departure. It received several recruits afterwards:

COMPANY "D," SOUTHERN GUARD.

Captain—F. G. Wilkins. Lieutenants—1st, James N. Ramsey; 2d, Geo. W. Atkinson; 3d, W. R. Turman. Sergeants—1st, Lawrence W. Wall; 2d, James W. Dennis; 3d, James M. Wiley; 4th, James J. Lovelace; 5th, Chas. H. Althiser. Corporals—1st, Peter Key; 2d, Thomas Sweet; 3d, Wm. H. Thompson; 4th, M. G. Watson.

Privates—William F. Allen, Wilkins Brooks, Reason Banks, Wm. H. Bryant, Chas. W. Baker, Frank Bussey, John Barker, Wm. Baker, James Clegg, Wm. Benton, Robert H. Clinton, Frank Collier, Luke Conly, George W. Cooper, Seaborn Cook, Junius Currence, Burwell M. Denson, Richard

Deshaser, Christopher Edwards, Stephen Etchinson, Patrick Foran, J. E. Flynn, Nath. C. Ferguson, William L. Foyle, Jno. Fletcher, Wm. Hall, Moses Hall, James Henderson, John P. Hellings, Jos. B. Hagans, Wm. Holstead, Seaborn L. Jones, Randolph Key, Drewry A. Lawrence, Mat. Murphy, James McElrath, George Magnus, Richard Massey, John C. McCurdy, Milton Malone, Alex. McDaniel, Leva D. Matthews, James H. Nix, Vincent Ogletree, Levi D. Phelps, David Purcell, John Chappel Reese, Aug. B. Ridenhour, T. J. Smith, Lewis Simmons, Jason T. Smith, Thos. Sturdevant, John W. Seats, Isaac Smith, Geo. F. Taylor, J. W. Tucker, Jeptha Wiggins, James Wood, Jacob P. White, Clayton Wilson, Leonard H. Young, A. P. Sanderland, James Lynah, James P. Lawrence—61.

This company was at Macon incorporated into the First Georgia Regiment, of which 1st Lieutenant James N. Ramsey was elected Colonel. The regiment passed through Columbus in a few days after its organization, en route for Pensacola.

COLUMBUS GUARDS.

Capt. P. J. Semmes having been appointed a Brigadier General by Governor Brown, resigned his position as Captain of the Columbus Guards, and on the 15th of April Lieut. Roswell Ellis was elected Captain of that company; W. C. Hodges, 1st Lieut., W. G. Clemons, 2d, and J. M. Everett, 3d. This company left Columbus on the 16th of April for Savannah, the place of rendezvous, with 112 men rank and file. It was there made Company G of Second Georgia Regiment, of which P. J. Semmes was elected Colonel. After a short service on Tybee island, it was ordered to Brunswick, Ga., and thence in July, 1861, to Virginia. The following account of the services of this company during the war, and list of its members and casualties at various times, we copy from Haddock's Directory of Columbus:

This company furnished from among its privates more officers than any other Company, some of them rising to the position of Colonels. In Virginia they were attached to Toombs' Georgia Brigade. They participated in the following engagements, besides numerous skirmishes:

April 16, 1862, siege of Yorktown; June 27, 1862, Garnet's Farm; July 1, 1862, Malvern Hill; Aug. 29, 1862, Thoroughfare Gap; Aug. 30, 1862, Second Manassas; Sept. 17, 1862, Sharpsburg; Dec. 13, 1862, Fredericksburg; May 3, 1863, Siege of Suffolk; July 2 and 3, 1863, Gettysburg; July 25, 1868, Thornton River; Sept. 19, 20, 1868, Chickamauga; Oct. 28, 1863, Lookout Valley; Nov. 16, 1863, Campbell's Station; Nov. 18 to 30, 1863, siege of Knozwille; Dec. 14, 1863, Bean Station; Jan. 17, 1864, Dandridge; May 8, 1864,

Wilderness; May 8th to 14th, 1864, Spottsylvania; May 23 to 26, 1864, Hanover Junction; May 28th to 30th, 1864, Totopotomy; June 1st to 6th, 1864, Second Cold Harbor; June 17, 1864, Bermuda Hundreds; June 18th to 30th, 1864, siege of Petersburg; Aug. 14, 1864, Deep Bottom; Aug. 16, 1864, Fussell's Mills; Sept. 29, 1864, Fort Gilmer; Sept. 30, 1864, Fort Harrison; Oct. 7, 1864, Darbytown; Oct. 13, 1864, Darbytown Road; April 2, 1865, Petersburg; April 9, 1865, Appointttox.

OFFICERS AND PRIVATES OF COLUMBUS GUARDS.

When the war closed, they were few in numbers, most of them having been killed, or died in the service of their country.

'Officers: - Capt. Paul J. Semmes, elected Col. 2d Ga., May, '61, promoted Brigadier General December, '61, died from wounds received at Gettysburg, July, 1863.

Roswell Ellis, 1st Lieutenant, promoted Captain May, 1861, and Adjutant General of Brigade December, 1863.

W. C. Hodges, 2d Lieutenant, promoted 1st Lieutenant, May, 1861, and Lieutenant Colonel 17th Georgia, and subsequently Colonel.

W. G. Clemons, 3d Lieutenant, promoted Adjutant, April, 1862, and Major Cumming's Brigade, March, 1863.

J. M. Everett, 4th Lieutenant, promoted 3d Lieutenant May, 1861, and died in Columbus, summer 1863.

J. S. Allen, ir., 1st Sergeant, promoted to Lieutenant, 1862, and Adjutant 2d Georgia.

J. M. Denson, 2d Sergeant. promoted 1st Lieutenant.

Van Marcus, 3d Sergeant, transferred to Quarter Master Department, Columbus.

R. Potter, 4th Sergeant, promoted Lieutenant and killed at Malvern Hill.

J. D. Carter, jr., 1st Corporal.

Wm. Redd, 2d Corporal, transferred and promoted Lieutenant and Adjutant.

J. R. Sanders, 3d Corporal, promoted Sergeant.

T. Chaffin, jr., 4th Corporal, promoted Captain, April, 1862.

Rev. J. H. DeVotie, Chaplain.

Privates: - J. C. Apple; S. R. Andrews, jr., transferred to artillery; W. L. Anderson, G. H. Abercrombie; Wiley Abercrombie, promoted Sergeant Major of Regiment to Gen. Canty's Brigade; O. S. Acee, A. E. Acee; W. A. Barden, promoted Lieutenant Colonel; T. M. Barnard; J. F. Birch, promoted Lieutenant, killed at the Crater, Petersburg, 1864; John Ballard, died near Richmond; J. J. Bradford, transferred and promoted Major 37th Georgia; P. S. Bradford, transferred and promoted Lieutenant Co. B, 87th Georgia; W. Banks, killed at Atlanta, July, 1864; E. Banks, killed at Resaca, July, 1864; E. B. Briggs, promoted Sergeant Major and Captain and aid to Gen. Semmes; C. A. Bailey, killed at Gettysburg, July, 1863; Wm. K. Bedell, J. G. Blalock, J. R. Bedell; H. B. Beecher, Sergeant Major, 2d Georgia; T. E. Blanchard, promoted Captain and transferred to Co. B, 37th Georgia; T. M. Beasley, promoted Lieutenant;

D. B. Booher, promoted Lieutenant and killed at Crater, Petersburg, 1864; Jos. D. Bethune, transferred to Nelson Rangers; John G. Bethune; Wm. A. Brown, transferred to Nelson Rangers; W. B. Butt, transferred to Nelson Rangers; R. A. Bacon; A. A. Coleman, transferred to Telegraph Department; C. Coleman, transferred and appointed drill officer; T. G. Coleman; T. M. Carter, transferred to Nelson Rangers; A. A. Calhoun, transferred to Nelson Rangers; J. C. Calhoun, promoted to Captain and Ass't Q. M.; J. A. Cody, transferred and promoted Captain on Gen. Cumming's staff; J. J. Clapp, O. Cromwell; W. G. Croft, transferred and promoted Lieutenant artillery; J. H. Crowell, transferred and promoted Captain; W. S. Davis, transferred and promoted Lieutenant, killed at Spottsylvania; A. B. Davis; R. A. Daniel, transferred to Nelson Rangers; S. M. Dixon; B. H. Dixon, died in Richmond, Va., 1861; J. G. De Votie; G. W. Dillingham, promoted Capt., and transferred to Commissry Department, 1863; D. T. Dawson; M. D. Doney, died in Columbus, 1864; James Dubose, J. A. Dunn; Robert Enderman, died from wounds received at Chickamauga; J. A. Fogle; T. T. Fogle, promoted Lieutenant and killed in battle Wilderness; W. F. Fergusson; J. L. Girdner, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; H. H. Hall, W. F Hall, J. C. Hogan; W. R. Houghton, promoted O. Sgt.; R. N. Howard, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; R. M. Howard, J. T. Howard, A. Harris, J. W. Hughes; B. H. Hudson, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; D. C. Henry died in 1863; B. H. Holt, promoted Lieutenant Colonel; J. H. Hicks; W. N. Hawks, Jr., transferred; W. N. Hutchins, transferred, promoted Captain and killed at Chickamauga; Harris Johnson, killed at Wilderness; Arthur Ingmire, acting Q. M. of Company; J. T. Johnson, transferred, promoted and killed at Wilderness; L. Q. Johnson; W. E. Jones, Jr., promoted Sergeant, May, 1861; Boykin Jones; W. Jones; S. L. Jones, transferred to navy and promoted Midshipman; J. E. King; W. D. Kyle, transferred and promoted Captain; B. C. Luckie; E. M. Luckie; J. L. Lindsay; J. B. Lindsay; James R. Lively; W. M. Moses; Allen Matthews; M. J. Moses, transferred and appointed Surgeon; T. H. Muse, killed at Gettysburg; W. A. McDongald, transferred and promoted to Lieutenant; W. A. Martiniere, transferred to Nelson Rangers; J. R. Munn, died 1861; G. W. Mays, promoted Lieut. and killed at Gettysburg; Etter Martin; C. McBride; T. J. Nuckolls, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; J. S. Owens, promoted Lieutenant in Nelson Rangers; W. T. Patterson, promoted Lieutenant and killed at Chickamauga; R. C. Pope; J. G. Perry, died 1861; W. H. Perrine; G. H. Peabody; T. G. Paine; J. T. Park, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; S. R. Pitts, transferred and promoted Lieut.; George Phelps; T. F. Ridenhour; N. L. Redd. promoted Lieuteuant; Wm. Redd, promoted Lieutenant; J. K. Redd, Jr., promoted aid to General Semmes, raised a Company and was Captain, killed near Petersburg, 1864; N. B. Roberts; G. G. Ragiand, transferred and made Captain Nelson Rangers; A. E. Ragiand, transferred and promoted Captain; O. S. Ragiand, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; G. G. Rucker; Z. C. Rucker, R. M. Rutherford, transferred and promoted; A. H. Rutherford, transferred and promoted; C. R. Russell, transferred to Company K. promoted Captain 1861; E. S. Shorter, transferred and promoted; L. G. Schuessler; C. V. Smith, transferred and promoted in Wheeler's Cavalry; J. H. Sanders; J. H. Slade, killed at Sharpsburg; W. S. Shepherd, transferred, promoted Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel; E. G. Stewart, promoted Lieutenant and Adjutant; I. C.

Spivey, killed at Sharpsburg; D. C. Seymour, transferred and promoted Captain; W. Walker, transferred; J. A. Weems; David Ware, transferred and promoted Lieutenant; M. W. Wooten; C. H. Williams, transferred to 1st Ga.; M. A. Williams, transferred to Nelson Rangers; John Wise; A. C. Wingfield, transferred; J. H. Ware, transferred and promoted Lieutenant, killed at Mechanicsville; Wm. A. Young, transferred.

The following is a list of the members of Columbus Guards present at the final surrender of the army by Gen. R. E. Lee, at Appomattox Court House:

Thomas Chaffin, Jr., Captain; Engene Stewart, Lieutenant. W. R. Houghton; J. C. DuBose; W. L. Anderson; T. G. Coleman; Martin Etter; J. G. Blaylock; W. F. Hall; G. G. Rucker; G. W. Dillingham; John O. Payne; W. M. Moses.

In June, 1873, the company re-organized and received arms from the State, and are now well drilled and in good discipline. The officers elected on its re-organization were: W. S. Shepherd, Captain; Chas. H. Williams, 1st Lieutenant; Wm. N. Hawks, 2d Lieutenant; Thos. W. Grimes, 3d Lieutenant; Cliff. B. Grimes, 4th Lieutenant. At the present time (1875) the following are the commissioned officers: W. S. Shepherd, Captain; T. W. Grimes, 1st Lieutenant; Cliff. B. Grimes, 2d; J. J. Clapp, 3d.

HOME GUARD.

About the middle of April, a large company called the Home Guard, composed of men from 45 to 70 years of age, was formed, and organized by the election of R. A. Ware, Captain; John A. Urquhart, 1st Lieutenant; Hines Holt, 2d Lieutenant; J. J. McKendree, 3d Lieutenant; J. M. Hughes, 1st Sergeant. This company numbered upwards of 90 members.

CITY LIGHT GUARDS.

The City Light Guards were the next Columbus company called into active service. They were ordered to report at Norfolk, Va., and left for that place on the 20th of April. The following muster-roll and war-record of this company are also copied from Haddock's Directory:

Enlisted in the Southern Cause, April 19th, 1861, and were sent to Norfolk, Va., while the Navy Yard was still burning. At Norfolk they became a part of 2d Georgia Battalion of Infantry, and on the 20th of May, 1861, were engaged from battery at Sewell's Point with the enemy's vessels, Star of the West and Steam Tug, carrying cannon. In this, the first engagement in Virginia, they succeeded in disabling and driving off the vessels. Remaining at Norfolk eleven months, they were ordered to Goldsboro, and afterwards to Wilmington, North Carolina. Here they were re-organized. May, 1862, by the election of Lieutenant C. J. Moffett, Captain, and were ordered to Petersburg, Va., from that time becoming part of the

Great Army of Northern Virginia, taking part in the battles around Richmond, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Wilderness, Gettysburg, Petersburg, Mormville, &c., suffering severely in every campaign, and finally surrendered with Gen. R. E. Lee, at the fatal Appointation Court House, the first and only time the Company was surrendered during the entire war between the States. The members of this Company having gained an enviable reputation in the service of their country, when the smoke of battle was over returned with equal energy to the quiet pursuits of life, and are all to-day active, useful members of society, endeavoring to place themselves and section in their former condition of prosperity.

P. H. Colquitt, Captain afterwards Colonel of 46th Ga. Reg. 1st Infantry, and killed at Chickamanga. Charles J. Moffett, 1st Lieutenant, elected Captain at the re-organization in 1862, promoted to Major 2d Ga. Battalion Infantry after battle of Gettyaburg, Penusylvania. J. A. Shinglenr, 2d Lieutenaut, in 1862 went upon staff of Gen. S. G. French, afterwards promoted to Major on staff. F. S. Chapman, 2d Lieutenaut, resigned 1861, raised a Company and joined Georgia Regiment. H. M. Sapp, elected 1st Lieutenaut at re-organization May, 1862, and subsequently Captain. R. B. Lockhart, ensign. Rey. Thog. H. Jordan, Chaplain; V. H. Taliaferro, surgeon. W. H. Williams, 1st Sergeant, promoted Brevt. 2d Lieutenaut, May, 1861; A. M. Luria, 2d Sergeant, promoted Lieutenaut, and killed at battle Seven Pines, June, 1862; E. V. White, 3d Sergeant, promoted to engineer on Steamer Merrimac; W. D. Mathews, Corporal; J. J. McKendree, Jr., Corporal. John Cook, Quartermaster, discharged from disability. Geo. B. Young, Commissary, promoted Lieutenaut of Artillery, December, 1861.

PRIVATES-S. W. Alexander, transferred; R. Bugg; H. Brown, killed at Chancellorsville, May, 1863; J. G. Brown, transferred; E. L. Bailey, killed near Gettysburg, July, 1863; Scott Bussey, died in Richmond, December, 1862; G. M. Bryan, transferred; R. A. Chambers, promoted Adjutant 2d Ga. Battalion, afterwards Captain General Canty's staff; Henry W. Chapman; James Cargill, wounded at Petersburg, June 1864. O. C. Cleveland, James J. Carnes; H. H. Colquitt, promoted to Lieutenant, General Colquitt's staff; C. C. Dunn, killed at Petersburg, June, 1864; T. L. Devore, discharged from disability, December, 1861; G. W. Doles; Mark Daily, detailed to Q. M. department; T. Deaton, killed at Gettysburg, July, 1963; T. T. Edmunds; Z. M. Estes, transferred to Q. M. department, Richmond; J. S. Esler, transferred to Q. M. department, Richmond; W. S. Freeman, transferred to cavalry and promoted Sergeant; Jas. Fricker, Thomas J. Garrison, E. Goldman, J. D. Godwin; S. Lowther, wounded at Petersburg, June 1863; J. H. Loeb; C. C. McGehee, transferred to Q. M. department, Columbus; M. Metzga, discharged by substitution; E. McDouald, discharged from disability; W. W. Martin; Z. N. Mayo, died since war; W. McKendree; J. B. O'Neil, killed at Fredericksburg, December, 1861; Wm. Nesbitt transferred to Ala. Regiment; J. B. Oliver, transferred to Q. M. department, Columbus; J. T. Odom, missing; Albert Porter, discharged; R. Z. Rucker; W. S. Robinson, promoted to Adjutant 2d Ga. Battalion; J. J. Reese, J. P. Ryan, discharged from wounds at Gettysburg; M. Riley; W. C. Seats, discharged; P. T. Schley, Jr.; Ed. B. Schley, detailed to surgeon department; G. P. Shepperson, missing; L. C. Strong, discharged from disability; Isaac Sterne; R. Sheridan; C. A. Shivers, transferred to Signal corps; G. E. Thomas, promoted to Ordnance Sergeant, department Petersburg; H. M. L. Torbett, promoted Sergeant; C. F. Taliaferro, discharged from disability; V. H. Taliaferro, promoted to surgeon 2d Ga. Battalion, May, 1961, and Colonel of Cavalry, 1862; M. Thweatt, discharged; S. T. Thweatt, died in Richmond, December, 1864; W. J. Underwood, transferred; D. D.

Updegrad; W. C. Vincent, transferred; E. P. Wagner, killed at Culpepper C. H., August, 1863; T. Waldren, transferred to signal corps; W. R. Wilkerson; A. M. Kimbrough, promoted 2d Leutenant, died Jan'y, 1865; G. J. Peacock, promoted 2d Lieutenant, March, 1863; W. J. Mims; A. Young, promoted Captain of Artillery, 1861; J. Adams, discharged from disability, since dead; — Sullivan, transferred to artillery, killed; Henry Henes, transferred to scout duty, died since the war; W. J. Alston; J. C. Brown; J. C. Calhoun; James Davis; H. Fields; B. E. Ledbetter; George Stovall; D. Saxon; L. A. Roberts; R. Johnson; James Williams; — Huff; C. C. Shepperson, promoted Sergeant; B. S. Shepperson; W. H. Mins; Thos. D. Threwitts, died since the war.

The following were the members present at the surrender of Gen. R. E. Lee, 9th April, 1865:

Maj. C. J. Moffett, commanding 2d Georgia Battalion; G. J. Peacock, Lieutenant commanding; H. M. L. Torbet, 3d Sergeant; J. P. Parker, 3d Corporal.

PRIVATES.—Chas. E. Booher, Thos. F. Brown, James J. Carnes, H. W. Chapman, John M. Coleman, George W. Doles, P. J. Golden, Thomas M. Golden, George W. Henderson, J. E. Jenkins, B. E. Johnston, Grigsby T. Long, Uriah P. Mitchell. Wesley A. Oliver, Ben. S. Shepperson, George W. Stovall, Charlton Thompson, W. R. Wilkerson.

In 1872 the company re-organized, and elected the following officers: Captain, C. J. Moffett; W. H. Williams, 1st Lieutenant; G. J. Peacock, 2d Lieutenant; F. L. Brooks, 2d Brev. Lieut. At the present writing (1875) the following are the commissioned officers: W. A. Little. Captain; F. L. Brooks, 1st Lieutenant; A. W. Brantley, 2d Lieutenant; John C. Cheney, 2d Brevet Lieutenant.

GEORGIA GRAYS.

The Georgia Grays took their departure from Columbus on the 7th of May, for Macon, the place of rendezvous of the 5th Georgia regiment, of which they were made a part. Of this regiment, John K. Jackson was elected Colonel, and W. L. Salisbury, Major. It was first sent to Pensacola, and afterwards did gallant service in opposing Rosecrans and Sherman—suffering severely at Murfreesboro and Chickamauga, and remaining in the service to the close of the war. We again copy from the Directory:

Officers—John F. Iverson, Captain, promoted Colonel in December, 1862-W. E. Saudeford, 1st Lieutenant, resigned 1861. W. L. Salisbury, 2d Lieutenant, elected Major, 11th May, 1861. L. M. Burrus, Bvt. 2d Lieutenant, promoted Captain, 1862. W. J. Dillon, Sergeant, elected Lieutenant, 1861, discharged, May, 1862. W. R. Wood, Sergeant. J. N. M. Reese, Sergeant, elected Lieutenant, 1861. A. T. Calhoun, Sergeant, elected Lieut., 1862. W. I. Strupper, Corporal, promoted 5th Sergt., 1861. T. Ribero, Corporal, killed at Chickamauga, September 19th, 1863. John Barber, Corporal, discharged. M. V. Cook, Corporal, wounded at Murfreesboro.

Privates-R. Anthony; John Avery, missing; Eli M. Averett, elected Lieutenant in 1862; G. Banks, wounded and discharged Dec. 31, 1862, at battle Murfreesboro; W. Banks; A. J. Boland, transferred to 2d Ga. Battallion; T. Brown, killed at Chickamauga, September 19, 1863; J. Baxley; Richard Brannon; T. Carrol, discharged, August, 1862; J. P. Chapman; W. Carington, discharged, lost leg at Murfreesboro; J. Courtney, discharged from wounds; William Clark, discharged from wounds; Henry Clay, discharged: Sidney Crow; J. Davies, transferred: J. M. Dennis, discharged; Charles Dever, discharged; Thornton Dukes, died at Pensacola, Fla.; ---Ellis; John Everitt, wounded at Murfreesboro; Thomas Everett, first killed from Columbus, October 9th, 1861, at battle Santa Rosa, Fla.; George Fackler, discharged from severe wounds at Murfreesboro, Dec. 31, 1862; George Hammond, discharged; - Hammock, died; Daniel Hoopaugh, missing; L. P. Jepson, transferred to artillery; J. D. Johnson, died at Tazewell, Tenn.; A. S. Johnson, discharged; J. Jefferson, discharged; T. J. Jones, discharged; T. Jones, discharged; J. W. Jones, discharged; Jack Keenan, discharged; - Kemp, died; Joseph Little, discharged; Milton Long, died; George Lapham, transferred; J. C. Leslie, transferred and killed at Petersburg, 1864; Asa Lynch; P. H. Madden, discharged; J. Maddox, transferred to engineer corps; E. McEachren, transferred; J. Marler, died; Tom Nobles; Wm. Newman; J. T. Ogletree, transferred to Company A, 2d Battallion Sharp Shooters, and promoted 1st Lieutenant; F. M. Parkman; Julius Prager, missing; John Quin, transferred to engineer corps; Martin Riley, transferred to 2d Battalion Georgia Sharp Shooters; W. H. Robarts; J. Robinson; T. C. Robinson, discharged, April 1862, and joined 1st Bat. Georgia Sharp Shooters; J. M. Robinson, transferred to Washington Artillery, Feb., 1862; Jasper Rooke, died; Lewis Sheline, missing; G. W. Shearer, wounded at Murfreesboro, Docember 31, 1862; James Short, killed at Chickamanga, 19th September, 1863; G. Smith, discharged; J. Smith, missing; Jep Smith, transferred to 2d Battalion Ga. Sharp Shooters; George Snell, discharged; Larry Sturges, discharged; Martin Surles, died; L. B. Townsley; — Taylor, transferred to Sharp Shooters; — Vandenberg; Barney Veasey, died at Chattanooga, 1863; Hamp Wagner, transferred orderly to Gen. Hardee; W. Ward, killed at Murfreesboro, Dec. 31, 1862; — Willis, discharged; R. A. Wood, transferred and elected Capt. 41st Georgia; Joseph Wood; Jason Yarbrough, transferred to 2d Georgia Battalion Sharp Shooters; Needham Averitt; L. P. Aenchbacker, promoted Corp'l, wounded at Chickamauga, September 19th, 1863; Joseph Barnes, deserted; Chas. Kendall, discharged; John Crouch; John E. W. Henderson; A. H. Allen; J. H. Almonds, died; J. L. Baskin, died; Cornelius Bachelor; J. Bradford, died; W. S. Bradford, killed at Chickamauga, 19th September, 1863; A. J. S. Brooks, died from wounds at Chickamanga 19th September, 1863; Maynard Corley; J. J. Davis; A. L. Davis; J. K. Freeman; U. L. Guthrie, killed at Chickamauga, Sept. 19th, 1863; H. R. Hannah; R. L. Hern; W. A. Jackson; J. A. Lovelsce; F. M. McHugh; M. L. McKee; John G. Merck, died;

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John Ogle, died; J. D. Pittman; R. Rumsey; T. J. Roe, died; J. E. Smith; J. E. Stockwell; U. R. Taylor; J. Taylor; A. J. Widner; LeGrand Guerry, wounded at Murfreesboro, Dec. 31, 1862; A. Jones; Wesley Gilbert.

The following were battles of the war in which the Georgia Grays were engaged:

Santa Rosa Island, Florida, October 9, 1861; Perryville; Murfreesboro, December 31, 1862; Chickamanga, September 19, 1863; Resaca; on Lookout Mountain; Bentonville; Port Royal, before Bentonville.

"CONFEDERATE STATES SENTINELS."

The "Confederate States Sentinels," Captain R. R. Hawes, took their departure from Columbus, for Richmond, Va., on the 23d of May, making the fifth Columbus company sent to join the Confederate army. This company numbered 71 members, some of whom were from Columbus, but the larger portion from the surrounding county. We regret that we cannot find its muster roll. The officers elected at the time of its organization, on the 26th of April, were—R. R. Hawes, Captain; C. S. Pryor, 1st Lieutenant; S. E. Taylor, 2d Lieutenant; Joseph B. Wynn, 3d Lieutenant.

COMPANY G. OF SOUTHERN GUARD.

The sixth Columbus Company—being Co. G. of the Southern Guard—left Columbus for the seat of war on the 28th of May. The following was its muster roll:

Officers—Captain, John A. Jones. Lieutenants—1st, Van Leouard; 2d, F. M. Bropks; 3d, C. S. Hart. Sergeants—1st, C. B. Minns; 2d, T. H. Smith; 3d, Win. Bond; 4th, J. T. Scott. Corporals—1st, B. Daniel; 2d, Arthur McArdle; 3d, W. A. Wales; 4th, D. B. Castleman.

Privates—Alex Aides, Levi Blake, John W. Bozeman, D. M. Crenshaw, Owen Casey, R. S. Crane, A. K. Crane, J. L. O. Davis, Daniel Davis, Thos. Durham, Peter Edgar, William Frazier, Erastus Flemming, J. H. Frampton, James A. Gue, Daniel Grant, Fleming Hodges, George Henderson, James Hodges, Henry Henderson, Calvin Hearn, G. M. Henley, Jesse J. Halton, W. A. Hill, J. E. Jones, William R. Jones, G. W. Jarrett, J. Leonard Jones, Leroy Kilgore, Alfred H. Kimbrough, Thomas H. Knowles, John Lassiter, James Lanning, John T. Moye, George W. Massey, James Manuing, John C. Morgan, Amos Murphy, Josiah Murphy, Jack Milton, John McPhatter, A. N. McCarra, Henry W. Martin, John Ousley, J. R. Posey, J. R. Park, James Rivers, Hiram Riley, James P. Russell, John Shores, Patrick Shandley, Wm. Sherrer, James Smith, W. C. Thomas, William Waytor, James A. Williams, Ransom W. Wood, Hampton Wilson, Pat. A. Weatherford, W. O. M. Whitehurst, Stephen G. Wilson, R. C. Yarbrough.

The "Border Rangers," Captain J. A. Strother, was the next Company that left Columbus for the Confederate service. It left on the 13th of June, and was a fine body of men, numbering 106 who left on that day. It was raised chiefly in Muscogee and Harris counties, with a few from Russell county, Ala. We have not been able to obtain its muster roll. The Lieutenants were H. C. Mitchell, J. A. Granberry, J. T. Scott, Hardy Cornett.

COLUMBUS GUARDS.

The Columbus Guards, while stationed at Brunswick, Ga., were on the 9th of June divided into two companies by order of Col. Semmes. They were designated as Columbus Guards, Companies A and B. The following officers for the two companies were elected: Company A-Roswell Ellis, Captain; John S. Allen, jr, 1st Lieutenant; W. G. Clemons, 2d; Richard Potter, 3d; A. A. Calhoun, 1st Sergeant; J. M. Denson, 2d; Van Marcus, 3d; J. J. Clapp, 4th. Company B-W. C. Hodges, Captain; J. M. Everett, 1st Lieutenant; T. M. Barnard, 2d; Thos. Chaffin, jr., 3d; B. H. Holt, 1st Sergeant; W. A. Barden, 2d; R. M. Rutherford, 3d; J. A. Cody, 4th. But this division was overruled by superior authority, and as neither the division of the company, nor the increase of its members to over 114 men would be permitted, a squad of recruits who had gone to Brunswick to join it returned to Columbus on the 26th of June.

"INDEPENDENT LIGHT INFANTRY."

The "Independent Light Infantry," Captain R. A. Hardaway, took their departure from Columbus for the seat of war on the 15th of June.

"MUSCOGEE RIFLES."

On the 18th of June, the "Muscogee Rifles," Capt. T. B. Scott, making the tenth company, left Columbus for the Confederate service. This company had 63 men in its ranks when it left, and Lieut. Sikes left in a few days afterwards with some privates unavoidably detained. The company

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At the State election in October, <u>Dr. A. I. Robison</u> and Col. J. A. L. Lee were chosen Representatives of Muscogee county.

Capt. Jacob G. Burrus was killed on the 8th of April, in a difficulty with John and Thomas Redd. He was shot with a pistol, on "Triangle street."

Ed. Croft was in May elected an Alderman of the 4th Ward vice W. L. Salisbury, resigned.

Osborne, a little son of Mr. Wm. Douglass, was drowned in one of the brick yard holes on the 18th of May.

A special election on the 14th of June for one Alderman each for the 1st and 5th Wards, resulted in the choice of Jno. B. Wright for the 1st, and John Peabody for the 5th.

James Gibson, a youth of about thirteen years, was drowned near the upper bridge, while bathing in the river, on the 6th of June.

The Eagle Manufacturing Company, in June, adopted resolutions tendering to the Confederate Government, in exchange for its bonds, the sum of one thousand dollars per month until the end of the war; also appropriating one hundred dollars per month as a contribution in aid of the city fund for the support of families of volunteers.

Aleck Lamar, a youth connected with the Sun office, was drowned in the river above the railroad bridge while bathing on the 23d of June.

The Bank of Columbus, in June, subscribed \$75,000 to the Confederate loan, which was in addition to \$60,000 previously subscribed, and to \$35,000 loaned the State of Georgia.

Capt. James Abercrombie, an old and prominent citizen of Russell county, Alabama, living in the vicinity of Columbus, who had removed to Pensacola, Fla., died there on the 2d of July. His remains were brought to Columbus for interment.

A deplorable accident to the train conveying the Columbus Volunteers and Georgia Guards to Atlanta occurred on the evening of the 14th of August, near Randall's Creek. Several of the cars were precipitated into a broken culvert.

Mr. Douglas C. Moore, of the Columbus Volunteers, and a negro boy belonging to Mr. Edward Croft, were instantly killed. Several other persons were wounded.

The first new cotton was brought in on August 30th, being two bales from the plantation of Mr. George Hernden, of Marion county. It classed strict middling, and was sold at 10 cents. Very heavy and long continued rains fell during the first three weeks in August, badly damaging all crops, and preventing the maturity and picking of cotton.

A shock of earthquake was felt in the city on the 31st of August, doing no damage.

The receipts of cotton for the year ending August 31st, amounted to 83,166 bales. Stock on hand 1st Sept., 2,234 bales.

Wm. Butler, the engineer, was killed on the 11th of Sept., by the running off the track of his train on the Mobile and Girard Railroad, at Station No. 6.

Work on the common passenger shed for the several Railroad Companies was suspended in January, on account of the pressure of the times.

Miss Ann Rankin was killed on the 8th of January, being thrown from a buggy in which she and another lady were riding, a few miles from the city.

The stores on the west side of Broad street, occupied by T. B. Scott and Mr. Fischacker, were burned on the night of the 20th of January. They were owned by B. Wells & Co.

PERSONAL.

John Quin and F. M. Brooks were Magistrates, and J. B. Hicks and D. Crockett Constables of the Lower District, and W. H. Brannon and John G. Bethune were Magistrates, and John Lloyd Constable for the Upper District.

Wm. A. Lawes was elected Sheriff of Muscogee county, on the 9th of March, to fill the unexpired term of J. Hazleton, resigned.

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Second Year of the War-Military Feeling, &c.

The municipal election in December last resulted in the choice of Dr. J. F. Bozeman as Mayor; George W. Jones, Clerk; Jas. D. Johnson, Treasurer; no election for Marshal; George A. Huckeba, Deputy Marshal; Henry M. Harris, Sexton. Aldermen—1st Ward, J. J. McKendree, Dr. Flewellen; 2d, J. W. King, F. C. Johnson; 3d, John Hazleton, T. O. Douglass; 4th, John Ligon, J. T. Daniel; 5th, John Quin, W. S. Holstead; 6th, J. M. Bivins, F. M. Gray.

The City Council elected the following officers: Bridge-keeper, Jno. Bunnell; Hospital keeper, Mrs. McGehee; Magazine keeper, Peter Anderson; Wharfinger, W. H. Alston; City Printers, Thos. Gilbert & Co.; City Physician, Dr. A. C. Wingfield.

On the 7th of January, John C. Lovelace was elected Marshal.

A very large, earnest and enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held in Temperance Hall on the 27th of February, at which resolutions were adopted pledging all the resources of the people to the carrying on of the war of defence; declaring that the people of Muscogee will cheerfully and promptly respond to the late and all other calls for volunteers; also requesting the Inferior Court to make provision for the support of volunteers until they shall be received into the service, and calling upon that Court to levy a tax sufficient to support the families of volunteers during their absence. The meeting also appointed a Committee of Public Safety, composed of 21 prominent citizens, and a committee to go through the country and collect all the guns that could be spared, and to call on the people for contributions of money, provisions, clothing, &c.

Two more volunteer military companies—the "Muscogee Volunteers," Capt. Cooper, and the "Price Volunteers," Capt. Bedell—left Columbus on the 12th of March for the rendezvous at Griffin, where they were incorporated into new regiments for the Confederate service. The "Muscogee Volunteers" were made Company C of the 46th Georgia Regiment, of which Peyton H. Colquitt was elected Colonel. He was killed on the 20th of September, 1863, in the battle of Chickamauga. The following was the muster roll of the "Muscogee Volunteers:"

Officers—A. H. Cooper, Captain, killed Sept. 20th, 1863, at Chickamauga. Lientenants—1st, F. C. Tillman, promoted Captain, killed June 20th, 1864, at Kennesaw; 2d, W. R. Bedell, appointed Adjutant 46th Georgia Regiment, 1862; 3d, J. T. Daniel, promoted to Captain, June 20th, 1864, and surrendered in North Carolina, April 26th, 1865. Sergeants—1st, Charles Neufferdied at Charleston, S. C., 1862; 2d, A. J. Floyd; 3d, J. W. Huff, elected Licutenant; J. S. Acee, promoted to Licutenant of Artillery, 1864; G. G. Cartledge, promoted to Orderly Sergeant, and killed at Franklin, Tenn., 1864. Corporals—1st, Isham R. Brooks, promoted to Orderly Sergeant; 2d, J. R. McGee; 3d, T. J. Skinner; 4th, Thomas Harrison, promoted to Sergeant.

Privates-W. M. Allen; J. L. Anthony; S. W. Authony, discharged; J. F. Aldmond, died since war; Hezekiah Bedell; T. H. Banks; J. H. Bartlett; W. R. Bartlett; C. C. Bize, promoted Corporal and killed, 1864; D. R. Bize; Thomas Boles, killed, 1864; John R. Brooks; R. C. Brooks, died 1863; P. J. Bigers; William Brown; John Bussey; William Bussey; Wm. Champion, wounded at Jackson, Miss.; J. L. Duffee, discharged 1864; M. R. Edward; W. D. Edward, killed 22d July, 1864; A. J. English; Henry Fleming; John Fleming, discharged, 1864; J. F. Fletcher; J. M. Fletcher, promoted to Sergeant; J. B. Ford; J. H. Galaway; F. M. Gammel; Joseph Hartong; L. J. Haynes; W. C. Henderson; E. J. Horn, killed at Jackson, Miss., 1863; West Horn, died 1862; H. J. Horn; J. D. Holt; E. D. Jones, captured at Chickamauga, 1863; Thomas Kennedy; Jeremiah King, killed; O. K. Land, killed at Chickamauga, September 20th, 1863; William Langford; E. Langford; P. L. Lewis; A. J. Livingston, killed at Chickamauga, Sept. 20, 1863; James Lockhart; William Lockhart; Henry Long; Julius Long; Aaron Long; W. H. H. Lokey, killed at Nashville; Jinks Low; M. T. Lynn; L. J. McGehee; J. W. Massey; B. F. McCrary, wounded and discharged, 1864; N. E. Miller; O. H. Miller, discharged; Silas McGuyrt, discharged, lost arm; John McGuyrt; N. B. Morrill; Spencer Motley; J. D. Moy; J. H. Morrison; James Mooney; J. C. Myers; J. A. Parker; G. E. Parker; Wm. Parker; H. P. Parkman; William Peddy, killed; Elisha Phillips; J. P. Phillips, died; E. P. Phillips, died; F. X. Profumo; W. H. H. Robison, died; G. M. Rogers, killed at Jonesboro, Ga., 1861; John Rogers, died;

J. L. Roberts; W. H. Russell; F. P. Scott; C. A. Shivers; J. H. B. Shippey, discharged; H. T. Simmons; D. A. Skinner; J. W. Skinner; C. B. Sperlin; W. A. Spires; J. M. Thompson; J. N. Thompson, deserted; W. R. Thompson, deserted; J. W. Thompson, deserted; T. W. Schoonmaker, transferred to 32d Ga. Regiment, 1863; John Hawkin, transferred; L. I. Harvey, transferred; Robert Motley, died 1863; J. N. Tock; J. J. Tock; R. C. Treadaway; James Turuage, died; W. A. Waters; J. M. Watkins, killed; Jonathan Watson; Simeon Wilden, killed, 1863; B. T. Willis, killed, 1864; N. C. Willis; E. P. Willis; L. J. Williams, killed 1863; G. W. Wiseman; Robert Wiseman; Neal Wilkerson; Wm. Wilkerson; Lewis Wilkerson, died; Wm. Wragg; J. A. Wynn; T. Jeff, Willis, promoted to Sergt, and killed at Chickannauga, 20th September, 1863.

A military organization for home defence was effected at a meeting held in the Court House on the 26th of March. Sixty-one volunteers then enrolled themselves, and organized by electing John L. Mustain, Captain; John Peabody, James Broadnax, and Frank W. Golden, Lieutenants; R. T. Simons, Jacob Burrus, John Durkin, and Peter Roman, Corporals; George A. Huckeba, H. R. Sedberry, J. W. Bishop, and Jos. Roper, Sergeauts; R. S. Stockton, Secretary and Treasurer.

A fine cavalry company, raised by Captain Robert Thompson, left Columbus early this year for the Confederate service, but we cannot find the date. It was made Company A of the Third Georgia Cavalry, of which M. J. Crawford was Colonel; R. E. Kennon, Lieutenant Colonel; Howard Johnson, Major; J. P. C. Winder, Adjutant; E. F. Colzey, Surgeon; — Moulkey, Assistant Surgeon; Harry J. DeLauney, Serg't Major; J. W. Hinton, Chaplain; R. W. Denton, Quartermaster; J. A. Frazier, Commissary: Most of these regimental officers were from Columbus. The officers of Co. A were: Robert Thompson, Captain (afterwards promoted Colonel of the regiment); Chas. Phelps, 1st Lieutenant; Wm. Howard, 2d; John Klink, 3d, afterwards 1st Lieut.; Lawrence Wall, O. S., afterwards 3d Lieutenant.

The officers of Company B of the same regiment were: B. A. Thornton, Captain; Howard Johnson, 1st Lieutenaut, afterwards promoted Major of regiment; Hamp Park, 2d Lieut.; John Manley, 3d; Thomas King, O. S., afterwards Lieutenant.

Company I of the same regiment: John.W. Hurt, Captain; J. S. Pemberton, 1st Lieutenant, afterwards Captain; B. B. Fontaine, 2d Lieut., afterwards Captain; Woolfolk Walker, 3d Lieut.; James Dennis, O. S., afterwards Lieutenant.

The "Columbus Rebels" were mustered into service in April, 1862, at Atlanta, as Company C, 9th Georgia Battalion of Artillery. We copy its roll and record from Haddock's Directory:

This Company was sent to Abingdon, Va., and in the Fall of that year crossed the Comberland Mountains at Pound Gap, and took part in the Kentucky campaign. After the battle of Perryville, and the withdrawal of Gen. Bragg from Kentucky, retreated with General Humphrey Marshall's command to Southwestern Virginia, where they remained during the Winter. In May, 1863, were ordered to Knoxville, Tenn., and in June of that year assisted in defending the city against the enemy, under General Saunders and Col. John Brownlow. In August of this year, marched with Buckner's corps to join Gen. Bragg, and participated in the operations in McLemore's Cave and the battle of Chickanauga. After the battle was placed in General Wolford's brigade, which composed the advance of our army in the murch on Chattanooga. Was sent with Longstreet to East Tennessee, and participated in the engagement at Campbell's Station and the assault on Knoxville. Passed the Winter in East Tennessee and Southwest Virginia, and in June, 1861, was ordered to Lynchburg and assisted in defending that place against the enemy under Gen. Hunter, and after his repulse and retreat went with Earley's corps in pursuit and remained with Gen. Early during his subsequent operations in the Valley of Virginia, after which they were ordered to Richmond, taking part in its defense and surrendering with 'Gen. Lee's army at Appointtox Court House. The following is an imperfect roll of the company as it is given wholly from memory by an active member of the company. Of the 95 or 100 members some 20 or 25 surrendered with the company at Appointation Court House:

Officers—George W. Atkinson, Captaiu, resigned in June, 1863, and was discharged by substitution. Lieutenants—1st, Thos. O. Douglass, resigned in May, 1863, on account of physical disability. 2d, Lieut., A. M. Wolihin, promoted to captaincy in June, 1863, and surrendered at Appointation Court House. 3d Lieut., P. L. Key, promoted to 1st Lieutenant in June, 1863, surrendered at Appointation Court House. Sergeants—1st, Geo. A. B. Smith, discharged in May, 1863, by substitution. 2d Sergt., John S. Cargill, promoted in May, 1863, to 1st Sergeant, afterwards Adjutant to General. 3d Sergeant, Wim. Hall, promoted to 2d Lieutenant. 4th Sergt., J. R. Hillings, surrendered at Appointation Court House. 5th Sergt., B. F. Bussey, promoted to 1st Sergeant, surrendered at Appoint Court House. Corporals—1st, James McElrath; 2d, John F. Barker, dead; 3d, Luke Conley; 4th, J. A. Fassell, surrendered at Appoint Court House; 5th, Pat. Foran.

September 2—Arthur Lipsey and Catharine Jenkins; 9, Wm. Letford and Sarah E. Stewart; 13, John Linnehan and Martha Tiliman.

October 7—Joseph Santoin and Lucy E. Echols; 9, Frank Landon and Faunie L. Day; 15, James Jordan and Georgia A. Clark; 16, Joseph U. Dickinson and Faunie C. Bridges; 26, Eugene Arbore and Faunie Trice.

November 1—Robert M. Howard and Alex. C. Lindsey; 16, Henry J. Jones and Sarah J. Henry; 17, Henry Smith and Mary Ann Dillon; 20, Geo. W. Powell and Jane C. Rodgers; 25, William R. Turman and Harriet E. Boykin, Thos. E. Blanchard and Sarah E. McDougald; 26, Albert R. DePoe and Sarah V. Pendleton.

December 1—Charles F. Taliaferro and Lucy H. Bass; 4, Joel L. Allen and Frances E. Hamilton, Armenius Wright and Sarah A. Taft; 18, James B. Gladney and Augustus Davis; 23, Wm. H. Robinson and Mary J. Harris; 24, John W. Churchhill and Ahnedia H. Castan; 28, Charles Tyler and Laura Bolling; 31, Francis Lewis and Martha Ryals.

DEATHS.

January 1-Anna, daughter of J. Kivlin; 15, (in Beallwood) Dr. Henry Lockhurt.

Feb. 3-Gen. Chas. J. Williams; 10, Mrs. Edward Brannon.

March 29-W. Wilkins Brooks.

April 2—Samuel R. Andrews, Miss Mary M., daughter of M. W. Thweatt; 3, D. F. Frederick; 5, Major-John-H. Howard; 18, John Fontaine, jr. — May 15—Child of Jos. W. Woolfolk; 29, (in Girard) Mrs. Margaret Gifford; 23, Mrs. Narcissa F. Sapp.

June 7—Alderman John Hazleton; 23, R. Watson Deuton; —, (at Columbus, Miss.,) Lieut. James Chambers; 26, (in Girard) Charles B. Lloyd.

July—Adjt. James Ware; 17, Capt. Van Leonard, died of wound in battle near Richmond; 22, infant son of Rev. W. J. Wardlaw.

August 11-Miss Clara E. Clapp: 14, Mary Augusta Crichton.

Sept. 4—Infant daughter of Solomon M. Crew; 9, Duncan McDougald; 21, Mrs. Mary M. Dawson.

Oct. 17—Infant daughter of J. A. Shingleur; 26, infant daughter of L. R. Redding; 24, Mrs. Mary V. Hamilton.

— Nov. 6—H. P. Albrecht; 17, Henry, son of H. T. Hall; 20, Charles L. Phelps; 26, child of James M. Chambers, jr.

Dec. 8-George T., son of Alfred Prescott; 11, (in Girard,) Emma, daughter of Lieut. T. Jeff. Bates.

(FROM THE SEXTON'S REPORTS.)

Oct. 2—Child of J. H. Daniel; 3, child of Mrs. Bullook; 4, Mrs. Smith; 4, Mr. Wright, Peter Boyce; 7, child of Mr. Albright; 9, Mrs. Ballard, —, B. P. Burdet, soldier, Miss Woodruff, child of Mr. Woolfolk; 12, Henry Frone, soldier; 16, child of Dr. Boswell, Mrs. Fox, Miss Rhodes; Mr. Yarn, soldier; 21, Mr. Baugh, Mr. Baugh's child; 22, child of Mr. Culpepper; 25, child of Capt. Humphries; 26, Mrs. Flournoy.

Nov. 1-Child of Mr. Redd, Mrs. Spinks; 3, child of Mrs. Jemison; 4,

Miss Ann Kirkley; 6, child of Mr. Lawrence; 9, child of Amanda Rogers, child of Mrs. E. Rogers, child of Mr. Couch, child of Mr. McCarvin; 10, child of V. Ogletree, child of Mr. Pike, child of Mr. Smith; 12, child of Mr. O'Bannou; 14, Mrs. Shirley; 15, child of Mr. Furdle, 17, Mrs. Bullock, child of Mr. Weeks, child of Mrs. Conner; 19, Mrs. Britt; 22, Mr. Bullock, Mrs. Harvell; 24, Mrs. Howard; 27, child of Mr. Colquitt, child of Mr. Chambers; 28, H. Montgomery, S. Jones.

Dec. 4—Child of Mr. Montgomery; 8, Benj. Sergureur; 9, child of Mr. Barr; 10, J. E. Jones; 11, child of Maj. Humphries, Mr. Starr.

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Destructive Fires-Local Defence, &c.

The municipal election in December resulted as follows:

Mayor, Col. F. G. Wilkins; Aldermen—1st Ward, J. J. McKendree, W. W. Flewellen; 2d, Chas. E. Mims, J. W. King;
3d, Wm. S. Lee, Frank M. Jeter; 4th, J. A. Bradford, John
Ligon; 5th, F. A. Jepson, Wm. Douglass; 6th, James M.
Bivins, John Durkin. The vote for Mayor stood—Wilkins
238, F. M. Brooks 207, John Quin 121.

The new Council, at its first meeting, elected the following city officers: Marshal, Thos. Callier; Deputy Marshal, John C. Lovelace; Clerk, George W. Jones; Treasurer, James D. Johnson; Attorney, Wiley Williams; Physician, John B. Baird; Sexton, Wm. H. Harris; Bridge-keeper, Robert Davis; Keeper of Hospital, Mrs. McGehee; Magazine-keeper, Peter Anderson; Wharfinger, Philip H. Alston; City Printer, Thomas Ragland of the Enquirer. The salaries of the city officers were raised to correspond with the expenses of living.

Health Officers—P. H. Hartman, B. F. Coleman, Dr. Bozeman, J. K. Redd, Dr. Cleckley, John Johnson, Felix Burrus, W. M. Jepson, John Quin, Charles Wise, F. M. Gray, John Kinsley.

Mrs. McGehee declined to serve as Hospital-keeper with the allowances made, and Mrs. Stringfield was elected.

On Monday night, the 19th of January, the large brick building on the corner of Oglethorpe and Randolph streets—the lower rooms of which were occupied as the Post-office, and the upper story as the boarding-house of Mrs. Teasdale—was consumed by fire. The most valuable matter in the Post-office was saved, but a few mail-bags were burnt. Mrs. Teasdale lost nearly all her household effects. The building belonged to Scaborn Jones, Esq., and had long been used as the Post-office. The fire was no doubt accidental. The Post-office was removed to the corner of Randolph and Broad streets, then known as the Manley & Hodges corner.

Another great fire occurred on the morning of the 3d of February, breaking out in the boot and shoe store of Peter Biehler on Randolph street.' It burnt all the houses on the south side of Randolph street from two doors west of the Enquirer office to the corner of Broad, and all on the east side of Broad street to and including Dr. Ware's drug store. This included four brick buildings on Randolph street, and five on Broad street. The parties burnt out on Randolph street were P. Biehler, the jewelry establishments of K. Saylor and G. Jordan, the barber shop of Wm. Paine and Weems, the office of Dr. Fogle, dentist. On Broad street, the drug stores of Messrs. Brooks & Chapman and Dr. R. A. Ware, and three dry goods stores were burnt, with a portion of the goods in each of them. Over the burnt stores on Broad street were the law offices of L. T. Downing and John Peabody, Esqs., and the offices of Dr. J. L. Cheney, and Drs. Lee & Phelps. The supply of water was very limited, and to this cause was due the wide-spread destruction by the fire. Four of the buildings on Randolph street-were owned by H. H. Epping, also two on Broad street. Dr. Ware, Mr. Downing, and Mr. Morris Kopman each owned one of the burnt buildings.

At a special election held on the 7th of February, Thomas Brassill for the 2d, and Wm. H. Griswold for the 3d, were elected Aldermen to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of Aldermen King and Jeter; and on the 28th of February, II. M. Jeter was elected an Alderman of the 1st Ward to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Ald'n McKendree. Alderman McKendree was re-elected in March to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman W. W. Flewellen.

A large company was formed to go to the defence of Savannah, then threatened, on the 21st of February. The following officers were elected: <u>F. G. Wilkins, Captain</u>; Jas. M. Everett, 1st Lieutenant; P. J. Phillips, 2d; D. B. Thompson, 3d; James F. Bozeman, 4th. The services of the company were tendered to Gen. Mercer, commanding at Savannah.

A company was formed in Columbus in March, to join Col. Evans' regiment for the Florida service. It organized on the 16th of that month by the election of N. W. Garrard, Capt.; J. F. Burch, 1st Lieutenant; D. B. Booher, 2d; and Stewart Kelly, Brevet 2d.

On account of the presence of the enemy's vessels in the bay, river connection with Apalachicola was suspended this year. Boats ran from Columbus to Chattahoochee, about the mouth of the Flint river.

In July, at the request of Confederate officers in local command, Council instructed the Mayor to have all the citizens of Columbus capable of bearing arms to be enrolled for any emergency requiring local defence. In accordance with this call, there was a general curollment in the city and county, and seven or eight companies met at the Court-house on the 18th of July, and formed a regiment, electing F. G. Wilkins, Colonel; J. R. Ivey, Lieutenant Colonel; and Jerry Slade, Major. But this organization appears to have been superseded by a regular requisition made by President Davis upon Gov. Brown for the enrollment of 8,000 men for local defence in Georgia. In response to this last call, a regiment was formed at Columbus on the 22d of August, of companies from Muscogee, Harris, Talbot, Taylor, Marion, Chattahoo-

chee and Stewart countics. W. L. Salisbury was elected Colonel; Flynn Hargett, Lieutenant Colonel; Capt. Curley, Major. The Columbus and Muscogee companies in this regiment were Co. A City Guards, Capt. J. M. Everett; Co. B City Guards, Lieutenant Brannon; Ivey Guards, Capt. Park; Chattalioochee Defenders, Capt. Russell.

DEATHS OF GEN. SEMMES AND COL. JONES.

An "Independent Home Guard" Company of seventy-five men, composed of men over forty-five years of age, was also organized-Dr. J. A. Urquhart, Captain; Dr. R. A. Ware, F. C. Johnson and Wm. B. Langdon, Lieutenants; F. M. Brooks, W. A. Douglass, B. S. Hardaway, John S. Allen and Charles Mims, Sergeants; N. L. Howard, W. L. Stapler, C. E. Johnson and J. I. Lovelace, Corporals; H. Middlebrook, Treasurer; R. P. Spencer, Secretary. Two cavalry companies for the same service, under command of Captains Strother and Cheney, were also formed.

The news of the death of Gen. Paul J. Semmes, Col. John A. Jones, and many other officers and privates, killed in the disastrous battle of Gettysburg, caused much sorrow in Columbus. Council passed resolutions expressing the deepest regret for the death of General Semmes and sympathy for his family, and calling a meeting of citizens to make arrangements for the suitable reception and burial of his remains. The meeting was held on the 16th of July, and suitable arrangements made to pay the last sad honors to the deceased citizen and soldier.

Council in November appropriated \$5,000 additional to regular appropriations to assist needy and indigent families of absent soldiers in the payment of their house rent.

A registration of voters of the city was this year made in accordance with law, and the total number registered was 365. This number was evidently short of a full registration, though so many citizens were absent, being in the Confederate service.

Quotations of prices in July: Salt, 30@35c. per lb; Flour, 25@30c. per lb.; Pork, 50@60c. per lb.; Bacon, \$1@\$1.25 per tb.; Lard, 90c.@\$1; Beef, 40@45c.; Sugar, \$1.20@1.25 per tb.; Syrup, \$7@\$8 per gallon; Rice, 121@14c. per tb.; Butter, \$1@\$1.25 per ib. Most of these articles were scarce and hard to get at these prices.

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A sensation was created in a city, in April, by news of the death of Robert Emmet Drawn, of Columbus, at Richmond. (He was clerk of the Confederate House of Representatives, and was shot by R. E. Forde, of Kentucky, an assistant clerk.

Among the new industries created by the war was a Nail Factory established in Girard by Messrs. D. H. Fowler & Co., of New Orleans. It was run very actively, and turned out a great deal of work of fair quality.

Mr. Robert Davis, bridge keeper, was found dead on the river bank, on the 4th of September. He had left his house in apparent health but a short time before the finding of his body, which bore no marks of violence or external injury.

On the 13th of October, about one o'clock p. m., there was a general jail delivery. The prisoners rushed upon the jailor as he was opening the door to leave the jail, overpowered him, and succeeded in making their escape. Six or seven white men, confined for counterfeiting and other offences, escaped.

A woman named Smith, living in the lower part of the city, was shot and killed on the 14th of October, by a soldier named Joe Overton, from Arkansas. He was arrested.

The M. E. Conference met in Columbus on the 25th of November-Bishop Early, presiding.

J. L. Morton was Chief Engineer, and S. E. Lawhon, Ass't Engineer of the Fire Department.

The election in October resulted in the choice of Col. Jas. M. Chambers as Senator for the District, and Jas. M. Russell and R. R. Hawes as Representatives of Muscogee.

Rev. C. R. Jewett was Presiding Elder of the Columbus

Lewis, James M. Chambers, jr.; 21, Margaret Shean; 24, Jordan Broadaway; 25, Samuel Clark, Mrs. N. A. Nuckolls.

March 1—Mrs. Elizabeth Milan; 2, child of J. Lambertson, Peter Holihan; 4, child of J. C. Lovelace; 5, child of J. S. Colbert; 8, child of D. H. Morris, John Barnes; 10, Charles Cleghorn, Major M. W. Perry; 12, Isaac Ellis; 18, two children of W. T. Smith; 19, child of Peter Knowles; 20, child of H. B. Lockett, child of F. C. Humphreys; 24, child of Margaret E. Foley; 25, Thomas Manning, child of H. M. Jeter, John Bowen; 28, child of Nancy Milliner, child of W. H. Hughes; 29, child of W. J. Harper; 31, R. A. Sikes, John W. Allen.

April 3—Child of L. S. Smith; 6, child of M. J. McElrath; 11, child of Mrs. Bradford; 12, child of Lewis Coleman; 13, John P. Sinclair; 16, Patrick Duffy, Moses L. Hann (soldier,) Miss H. M. Cato; 21, Mrs. Julia A. Flournoy, child of Mrs. Charles J. Williams, J. K. Smith (soldier,) Arthur B. Davis; 23, child of David Turner; 27, R. E. Dixon.

May 1—Child of Wm. Bell; 3, child of B. T. Chapman; 8, John H. Mealing, James Wallace; 9, Nollee (soldier,) Miss Mary B. Hannay; 10, Miss Laura A. Greenwood; 12, child of Martha Carnes; 13, child of Mrs. Cook, child of Moses Morris; 14, child of Etna Ellis, child of William Anderson, John Nelson (soldier;) 16, Mrs. Susan C. Young; 18, child of Rebecca Hall, child of Epsy J. Hearn; 20, Major A. M. Gordon, Mrs. Mary Puryear: 22, child of W. H. Chitman, Mrs. W. B. Harris, Mrs. Mary J. Walker; 23, child of Thomas Summergill; 24, child of Josiah Wentry, Jerry Felton; 25, child of Mary E. Shoemaker; 26, Miss Sarah A. Copeland, child of U. H. Shoemake, 27, child of John Isham, Dennis Sullivan, child of Henry Riley; 24, child of J. H. Dyer, Mrs. Mary A. Patterson; 30, child of William McElratn.

June 2—Cornelius Duffy; 4, 'child of Eliza Horton, child of Senn; 5, Telitha Frazier; 7, Francis Shoemake; 10, child of Mary E. Shoemake; 11. child of B. Dolin; 16, child of B. Dolin; 17. G. M. Stansel, (soldier;) 19, child of John Rikely, child of William Walker, child of Caroline Hatcher; 20, child of J. S. Smith, child of J. B. Hill; 21, child of Susan Phillips, child of J. M. Young; 25, Mrs. Ann Hull, child of B. A. Berry; 26, child of Eliz. Meredith, J. Pressly (soldier;) 28, child of David Sergeant; 29, W. F. Serrel child of Michael Sullivan, child of Phillip Eifler, child of Mary Ellis, child of James McGirr; 30, George W. Jones.

July 2—Child of Captain Warner, Nancy Mott; 3, child of C. A. Redd, child of J. A. Girdner, Mrs. Louisa Tinnon, child of John Dynon; 4, child of George W. Britton; 5, child of F. M. Boland; 7, Diana Russell; 10, child of Elizabeth Moss; 11; child of Mrs. Allen, child of G. Howard, child of G. W. Langford; 12, child of Dr. T. J. Word, James McCarty; 18, child of Albert Ravenscroft; 14, child of Robert Baldwin, N. B. Drake; 17, child of Wm. Robinson; 19, Emily Bugg; 20, child of Henrietta Mote; 21, child of Simeon Mote, child of Jason Lewis; 24, child of J. H. Smith; 26, child of Francis Williams; 27, child of B. F. Marshall, Mrs. Mary Stewart,

child of J. H. Giles, child of Winnie Shepherd; 28, child of Edward Martin, child of John Mote; 31, Mrs. Elizabeth Ligon, child of T. J. Wynn, child of John Tilly.

DEATHS.

August 1—Child of Epsy Hearn, Edward Brannan; 3, Miss S. A. Harris, child of Martin Clark; 4, child of R. H. Briggs, child of Simeon Mote; 6, child of C. A. Carpenter, child of Mrs. Allen; 8, Joseph Daniel, child of Robert Kyle; 10, child of D. S. Bullock; 11, child of W. T. Bankston; 12, child of Sarah Morris, child of A. Kaufman, child of Mary Metz, child of Hamilton Raiford, Frank Boykin; 13, child of Delia Bell; 15, J. C. Osborn (soldier;) 17, M. W. Heath; 18, child of T. K. Miller; 19, Mrs. M. A. Ogletree, John Warren; 20, Miss Frances C. Bush, child of W. S. Lloyd; John Gibbons, child of Joseph Nix; 22, Mrs. Mary M. English; 23, child of Geo. Meredith; 24, Delia Bell; 25, child of Frank Rothschild; 26, Mrs. E. B. Chapman; 27, child of Lafayette Watson; 28, child of Sidney Lloyd, child of Mary Willis; 29, August Mitchel, child of Temple Brooks; 30, Elizabeth Walston; 31, Esquire Brock.

Sept. 3—Mrs. Elizabeth Maddox; 4, Y. Johns (soldier;) R. R. Davis, child of N. N. Curtis; 5, child of Mary Copeland; 7, Sarah Morris; 8, child of Thomas Bush; 9, child of Mary Robinson; 10, child of C. Kaufman, child of Samuel Eads, Samuel Kelton; 13, Mrs. M. E. Fleming; 14, Miss Elvira Bowen; 15, Andrew Hagerty, child of J. Rhodes Browne; 16, Mrs. Jane Kondall, Mrs. Jane McGinty; 17, child of Martha Sullivan, Captain G. E. Walker; 18, William Gohian; 19, child of E. W. Nix, John N. Birch, child of Nicholas Howard; 20, James Church; 22, F. W. Allen (soldier;) 26, Mrs. Mary J. Thweatt, child of William Getsinger, child of Jordan L. Howell, Mrs. Sarah Stapler; 28, Francis Wilson, Miss A. A. Switzer; 30, child of Mrs. Hall, Robert J. Emerson (soldier.)

October 3—Child of David Elder; 5, child of Henry T. Hall, Mrs. Shehane; 8, child of Felix McArdle; 9, child of J. S. May; 11, child of L. J. Honsville, child of Mrs. R. Holmes; 12, John Kinsley, Captain Philip Gittenger;* 13, Mrs. Sarah B. Smith, child of J. A. Smith; 14. Patrick Deignan; 15, Amanda Smith, John Tilley; 16, Joseph B. Hughes, O. P. Patterson (soldier;) 19, Georgia Kaufman; 21, child of Dr. Cramp; 23, John S. Arnold, — Dunaway; 24, Dr. A. I. Robison; 25, John M. Bates (soldier,) W. C. Baker (soldier;) 26, Mrs. Mary Russell; 27, Charles Chapman; 28, W. W. Ridenhour, Frances Short; 31, Julia A. Cooley.

November 1—Mrs. L. A. Reese; 2, child of L. Linsey, child of Henry Mobley; 4, child of Emeline Hudson, Mary A. Wheeler; 7, W. H. Coate (soldier;) 10, child of John Adams; 11, Howard Jones; 12, Mrs. E. M. Saunders; 15, Duncan Martin (soldier;) 17, child of Mary Robinson; 21, child of W. L. Clark, child of A. J. Welch; 23, Edward Bozeman; 25, W. H. Hughes, sr., T. Murphy (soldier;) 26, John Warden, child of Louis M. Collier.

December 3—Miss F. A. Davis, child of Nancy Hooper; 4, Miss Frances Branham, Benjamin Stevens; 5, child of Thomas DeWolf, child of Dr. J. L. Ware; 8, Mrs. Catherine Ford; 9, child of J. M. Baggett; 13, Hamilton Barschall; 18, J. M. Youngblood (soldler;) 22, Thomas Dallard; 23, child of Br. Roland, child of Mrs. Wheeler; 24, D. E. Jones (soldier;) 26, William Killcrease; 28, H. C. Harges (soldier,) John Robinson (soldier.)

^{*}Killed in battle, or died of wounds received in battle.

1864.

Condition of Columbus the year preceding the close of the War— Gen. Rosseau's Raid.

This appears to have been a year of few local incidents of an exciting character. But it was a year of unusual business activity in Columbus, and of much feverish excitement caused by the events of the war. A great many residents were absent in the army, or in the prosecution of other public duties, but the city was filled by a transient population, mostly working in the factories, foundries, and other establishments doing work for the Confederate Government or to supply those fabrics usually imported but now cut off by the state of war. The Factories were kept very busy, working all day and all night, employing for that purpose two sets of hands. Among the immense industrial establishments of the city was the Confederate Naval Works, under military command, engaged chiefly in the manufacture of articles needed for the prosecution of the war. This establishment built and furnished two gun-boats for the government, but neither of them rendered any efficient service. One sunk and the other was burned by the enemy. Sometimes work in the large establishments of the city was prosecuted on Sunday, so great was the demand for the public service. The city was full of hospitals for sick and wounded soldiers. The Court-house, among other buildings, was this year devoted to that purpose.

Prices of everything ran up to figures which before the war would have been considered impossible. This was caused by both their scarcity and the great depreciation of the Confederate currency. The pay for work of all kinds was also very high, but still the expenses of living were so great as to impose extraordinarily hard fare on most of the population.

In accordance with an amendment of the acts of incorporation, made on the 7th of December, 1863, the Clerk, Marshal, Deputy Marshal and Sexton were elected by the people, and the following was the result of the election held on the 12th of December preceding for municipal officers for 1864: F. G. Wilkins, Mayor; M. M. Moore, Clerk; Thomas P. Callier, Marshal; J. C. Lovelace, Deputy Marshal; W. H. Harris, Sexton. Aldermen—1st Ward, H. M. Jeter, J. J. McKendree; 2d, F. S. Chapman, J. M. Dillon; 3d, W. H. Griswold, John King; 4th, W. R. Brown, J. A. Bradford; 5th, John Quin, W. L. Salisbury; 6th, J. M. Bivins, John Durkin. The Aldermen were elected by the voters of their respective wards, and the other officers, named above, on a general ticket.

Council elected J. D. Johnson, Treasurer; Peabody & Brannon, City Attorneys; Dr. John B. Baird, City Physician; W. H. Alston, Wharfinger; William Stringfield, Hospital keeper. The *Enquirer* was re-elected City Printer.

Council in April appropriated \$5,000 for the relief of the deserving poor of the city, the number of families needing and worthy of such aid being reported at one hundred and fifteen, and afterwards increased to one hundred and fifty.

Columbus was thrown into considerable excitement, in July, by the approach of a large raiding force under command of General Rosseau. This force, supposed to consist of 1500 or 2000 mounted and picked men, came down through north-east Alabama, by way of Talladega, struck the Montgomery & West Point Railroad between Notasulga and Auburn, and thence followed the railroad in the direction of Columbus as far as Opelika. The companies organized in Columbus for local defence, consisting of old men, workmen in the shops, foundries, factories, etc., were sent out to oppose their march, and took positions commanding the Crawford and Salem roads, about a mile and a half west of the city. This force of undisciplined and poorly armed troops, numbering perhaps six or eight hundred, were under command of Col. DeLaguel in the field, with the supervision of Major

March 1-Child of George Stain, Z. E. Linnahan; 5, Allen O. Jefferson, Isaac Heard, child of H. G. Ivey, Noah Gordy; 9, Miss Amanda Baugh, Mrs. Jane M. Ogletree; 10, Andrew Johnson; 11, child of Mrs. S. C. Stewart; 12, Mrs. Elizabeth Harris; 13, Mrs. Mary B. Lawrence; 18, Miss Mary L. Allen; 19, child of John R. Biggers; 20, Col. Seaborn Jones, child of J. M. Crouch; 21, Miss Mary A. Williams; 23, child of A. J. Putnam; 24, child of J. A. Gunter; 27, child of H. T. Snead; 29, Hugh A. Cooper; Dr. John M. James.

April 2-Mrs. Freeman; 3, E. Huskey; 12, J. L. Daniel; * 13, Fred G. Adams; 17, Miss Caroline Tapper; 18, child of R. M. Aldworth, child of T. J. Bradey; 19, William White; 21, Mrs. C. M. Merry, J. H. Merry; 22, child of Drewry Goins; 24, child of D. H. Fowler; 25, Mrs. L. V. Salisbury; 27, child of John H. Bass, child of Mary Rogers; 31, child of Porter Ingram.

May 1-Child of H. M. Jeter; 3, Mary E. Hall; 5, Thomas H. Lassiter; 6, Mrs. Julia Hudson; 7, H. E. Wright; 10, James Wooten; 11, Miss Mary E. McCarley, child of G. Sauls, child of Mrs. Harris; 16, William W. Lawrence, Mrs. Lucy E. Cairnes; 17, Mrs. L. Harris; 18, Mrs. Ann Thomas; 20, Mrs. C. A. Sappington; 21, J. T. Standmire; * 22, M. A. C. Burns; * 23, child of Dr. H. M. Jeter, J. C. Blue; * 24, child of E. W. Blau, Captain Walker Anderson; 27, Mrs. M. Moughan, Mrs. Mary Colzey; 31, child of W. Raulsan, H. A. James.*

June 1-William R. Cooper; 2, child of P. M. Stathan, J. W. Edge;* 3, child of Thomas Hunt; 4, child of Martha Costan, R. Freeman; 5, Samuel Fuller; 8, Margaret Gray; 12, child of Joseph Blunt, child of Mrs. E. Smith, child of Alfred Prescott; 13, S. H. Blackmon; 15, William Young; 16, child of T. G. Holt; 18, child of J. Crich, John Crogan, child of Mr. Baggett, child of F. C. Johnson; 19, Robert Chambers, child of James Crouch; 22, Narcissa Goslin; 24, Margaret Reedy; 27, child of W. H. Hall, M. L. Matthews, child of N. Hightower; 28, Capt. F. C. Tillman;* 29, child of Z. Pike, child of Emeline Collins; 8, Joel Reeves,* Isaac Youngblood,* B. Powell; * 9, F. B. Gaston, * R. F. Ingle, * Sergeant Wiley Carmiter,* B. H. Alderman,* Charles Spidle,* Martin Wittinger,* W. A. Mullin,* William Hartsden;* 26, L. P. Goforth.*

July 1-Child of J. H. Warner; 3, child of Docia Allen; 4, child of J. Blakely, child of Mollie Bass; 7, W. J. Williams, child of Mariah McClary; 9, J. G. Perryman; 10, child of Wm. McElrath, child of Mary Seaborns, child of Susan Manuel; 12, Mrs. Strother; 13, child of Rebecca Vickory, child of Francis Ingram; 15, child of Elizabeth Dunaway, Richard O. Hearn; 16, child of T. G. Holt, child of Jeff Mormon; 17, child of Martha Torbet; 20, O. C. Young, Joseph Echols, Mary Powell; 23, child of - Freeldes; 24, child of J. A. Walls; 25, child of Sidney Butler, Elizabeth King; 26. child of Louisa Butler: 27, James Britton, John Cullin, B. A. Sorsby, John Inglish; 31, child of Mr. Babat; 31, child of Mary French, Martha Giboon.

August 2-Child of Caroline Stowers; 3, Capt. W. D. Banks, child of Thomas Tinnon; 5, child of W. D. Atkins; 7, Mrs. Mosman; 8, child of

*Soldiers.

Lunnar Linarey, Paul Hanly, Camden Evans; 9, child of Wain Dukes, Temperence Reedy; 10, child of Mr. Comer; 12, Jacob Mormon, Watkins Banks; 15, Mrs. M. C. Murrell, child of W. C. Kennedy, Miss Mary E. Moore, child of B. N. Powell, Mrs. Bridget McHall, Martha Martin; 19, child of J. K. Hainny: 20, W. Y. Spencer, W. J. Kellet; 21, child of Sarah Bauderman, John E. Davis, Thad. Ruse, Wm. Knight; 22, J. M. Wright, child of J. M. Nobles: 23, child of E. N. Bradshaw, Miss N. Reames; 25, Miss Caroline Fuller, S. K. Hodges; 26, D. H. Fowler; 28, child of J. Landhan, Frank Jones; 29, Miss Susan A. Hawks; 31, child of George Gammel, J. N. Cobb, child of A. P. Rood, Mrs. Margaret Bozeman.

September'1-Child of J. C. Gateman; 2, Crawford Smith, child of Catharine Fusell; Rev. G. W. Stickney, John N. Sanders; 4, Lt. M. Blanchard; 5, child of Thomas DeWolf, Joseph W. Woolfolk; 7, Mrs. Mary Burns, child of R. W. Evans, Mary Mays; 8, L. Y. Mansford, Mrs. Elizabeth Sledge, Mrs. E. C. Ticknor; 9, W. T. Abbott, Joseph Oswall; 10, Mrs. Martha C. Goins, J. R. Bedell, James H. Wilson; 12, child of Martin West, Elizabeth Dunn, B. S. Williams, child of J. R. Banks: 13, two children of Mrs. J. Noles, child of L. Lindsey; 14, W. J. Laster, Paul Hahly, child of D. F. Wadsworth; 15, child of Jennie Lewis, T. M. Williams, James Comer, Henry Burrell, Berry Wilson, Elijah Cook, child of Thomas Names; 18, Mrs. Pittman, Mary Harper, child of Col. Roode, child of Thomas Mc-Farland: 19, child of A. Cadman, Francis Binnion: 20, child of William Rynehart, Mrs. Lucinda Shelton; 21, Mrs. Goodson; 25, Miss Eliza Whitten; 26, child of Robert Kigler; 27, Charles H. Stewart, child of Jasper Teal; 28, Vinson Ogletree; 29, E. F. Powell.

Soldiers. -John C. Carroll, F. M. Price, R. J. Medower, A. L. Murry, R. McCulloch, M. Humply, R. Fulling, H. Lockhart, A. Stansel, W. Butler, R. H. Lee, N. Sawyer, L. M. Stephens, John Ferrell, F. M. Nix, B. Reid, A. P. Glaston, J. McKinny, J. C. Croker, R. J. Roberts, A. Weaver, J. D. Ledbetter. T. Ware, A. C. Hudson, C. A. Dean, E. Turner, R. Nickols, C. S. Elmore, C. Glasscock, E. Jenkins, J. J. Scoot, H. Chowing, M. C. Rembert, B. Elmore, John Nobles, J. R. McCullin, Fowler Phillip, H. Gates.

1865.

Last Year of the War-Confederate Prices-Wilson's Raid.

The municipal officers of 1864 were re-elected, with the exception of a few changes of Aldermen. The candidates for Mayor were F. G. Wilkins and B. F. Coleman, and the former was re-elected. Thos. P. Callier was re-elected Mar-

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shal; J. C. Lovelace, Deputy Marshal; M. M. Moore, Clerk; and R. T. Simons, Sexton. Aldermen—1st Ward, J. J. Mc-Kendree, W. W. Robison; 2d, F. S. Chapman, F. C. Johnson; 3d, John King, W. H. Griswold; 4th, J. C. Porter, J. McIlhenny; 5th, John Quin, J. M. Everett; 6th, J. M. Bivins, John Durkin.

Council elected J. D. Johnson, Treasurer; Jos. E. Roper, City Physician; Peabody & Brannon, City Attorneys; W. H. Alston, Wharfinger; Mrs. McGehee, Hospital Keeper; — McKenzie, Bridge Keeper.

Notwithstanding the now feverish excitement in reference to the war, the steady advance of the enemy, the waning prospects of the Confederacy, the constant withdrawal of the working men of the city to meet passing or apprehended raids, and the scarcity and high prices of all the comforts of life, Columbus still presented a busy appearance and had a large transient population. The factories and workshops were kept running busily, and all their fabrics not made for or taken by the Government, found a ready sale. Employment was given by these establishments and by the Quarter-master's Department and other agencies, to large numbers of people who otherwise would have suffered much. Never did a people, on the verge of such spoliation and humiliation as soon followed, more nobly display the virtues of patience and heroism.

A line of fine steamers was in January and February plying regularly between Columbus and Chattahoochee, making almost daily trips. They were the Jackson, Capt. Dan Fry; the Indian, Capt. C. D. Fry; the Shamrock, Capt. W. Wingate; the Mist, Capt. A. Fry; and the Munnerlyn.

We quote some auction prices (Confederate currency) in January: Cow and calf, \$360; fine brood mare, \$4,500; negro boy 21 years of age, \$3,950; negro girl of 18, \$3,700; Augusta shirting \$6 per yard; salt 85 to 88c. per lb.; pink satin \$70 per yard; cooking stove \$1,500; cow \$500; cloth shoes \$30; blankets \$70; dinner plates \$82.50 per set; sugar \$6 to \$7.75 per ib.; silver coin \$1 for \$45.

Frank, a promising son of Mr. Brad. Chapman, was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun, while he was hunting on the Alabama side of the river, on the 14th of January.

Capt. C. D. Fry fell from the hurricane roof of the steamer Indian, at Johnson's Landing, on the 25th of January, and received injuries which resulted in his death.

John Smith, living on the Alabama side near the upper bridge, was shot and killed by his step-son, William Wright, on the 11th of February. The difficulty originated in a disput growing out of family matters. Wright fled.

An incident that caused great sensation and excitement in the city was the killing, on the 18th of February, of private John Lindsey, of the 17th Georgia regiment. He was shot by Bob Bennett, one of the Provost Guard of Columbus. Young Lindsey was accused of creating a disturbance of some kind, and the guard was endeavoring to arrest him. He had mounted his horse to go home, when Bennett fired and shot a ball through his head, killing him instantly. A large crowd soon gathered, and demanded the delivery of Bennett, who had sought the protection of the military authorities. Col. Von Zinken, commandant of the post, promised to deliver Bennett to the civil authorities, but it was afterwards announced that he had escaped. John Lindsey was a young man much beloved for his generous and manly character, and was a brave soldier. Bennett belonged to an Arkansas regiment, and had been assigned to light duty on account of severe wounds. Col. Von Zinken was arrested, a few days afterwards, by the civil authorities, on the charge of the murder of young Lindsey. A court-martial was also ordered by Gen. Beauregard to investigate the charge. The civil trial was before Judges McKendree, Quin, Thompson and Salisbury, of the Inferior Court. Messrs. Peabody, District Solicitor, Johnson and Holt conducted the prosecution, Gen. Howell Cobb and Major R. J. Moses the defense. The charge against Col. Von Zinken was that he was accessory

to the murder. The court after a patient investigation of several days, in which a number of witnesses were examined on both sides, and able arguments made by the counsel, acquitted him of the charge.

Two boys, named John Madden and William McElrath, were killed at the Naval Iron Works on the 21st of February, by the explosion of an old shell which they had found in the yard and were trying to open.

Mr. Robert Aldworth was accidentally killed on his place near Columbus, on the 22d of February. He struck a negro, with whom he had some difference, with the butt of his gun, and the shock discharged it, the load passing into his body and killing him in a few minutes.

Cotton sold in February at 75 to 80 cents, Confederate money. The following quotations of other articles are copied from the Sun of Feb. 26th: Bacon \$4 to \$5 per lb., Pork \$2 75 to \$3 50, Lard \$3 75 to \$4 50, Butter \$5 to \$6, Eggs \$3 50 to \$4 50 per dozen, Beef \$2 to \$2 50 per lb., Corn \$14 to \$16 per bushel, Sweet Potatoes \$12 to \$16 per bushel, Salt \$1 10 to \$1 25 per lb., Chickens \$4 to \$5 each, Osnaburg \$6 per yard, Sorghum Syrup \$12 to \$16 per gallon, Cane do. \$16 to \$20, Sugar \$7 to \$10 per lb., Sole Leather \$14 to \$15 per lb.; Irish potatoes \$50 to \$60 per bushel.

On the 8th of March, the stable and carriage house of Mr. William Beach, on Randolph street, and the residence of Mr. Peter Preer, adjoining, were destroyed by fire.

About the first of April a difficulty occurred on the streets between Dr. A.C. Wingfield, a physician of established reputation and much respected citizen, and Dr. —— Rossey, in which pistol shots were exchanged, and Dr. Wingfield was killed. Dr. Rossey was acquitted on the ground of justifiable homicide. He was only a transient resident of Columbus.

PERSONAL.

The M. E. preachers for this year were—A. Wright, P. E.; W. P. Harrison, St. Luke's; Jos. S. Key, St. Paul's; J. R. Lit-

tlejohn, Girard; J. T. Ainsworth, Factory Mission; W. W. Robison, Colored charge.

At the County election held on the 4th of January, the following Judges of the Inferior Court were chosen: J. R. Ivey, J. J. McKendree, John Quin, D. B. Thompson.

W. A. Brannon and F. M. Brooks were Justices of Upper District, and J. A. Whiteside and R. W. Milfoed of the Lower. George Meredith and J. Shoup, Constables.

MARRIAGES.

January 1—George W. Allen and Bethany Higden; 2, Christopher C. Collins and Jessie A. Bridges; 3, Ephraim M. Tilton and Winney Long; 8, James D. Malam and Martha E. Johnson; 10, Newton A. Horn and Sarah Bell; Henry Sillman and Nancy Halley; 12, William T. Hill and Polly Peck; 15, John W. Jones and Sarah Jane Bertram; 17, William Smith and Sarah I. Caffs; 18, William J. Slatter and America S. Greenwood; 19, James Baet and Louisa Jane Blake; Julius Emerich and Hannah Finiler; 29, David Ballard and Eliza Ginn.

February 1—Thomas K. Wynn and Mary Lucinda Shelby; 6, James Corden and Sarah J. Allen; 12, Charles F. Duncan and Mary E. Campbell; 15, John W. Wright and Mary L. Hardaway; Marcus Fish and Rosa Taylor; 16, James H. Ames and Lucy A. Smith; James K. Hughes and Julia A. Coleman; 20, Redd G. Williams and Permelia Ann Biggers; 23, William A. Foster and Martha L. Skinner; George W. King and Nancy Horton; Thomas A. Power and Elizabeth McSwain; David C. Stratten and Emily Crawford.

March 2—David W. Stubbs and Nelly C. Miller; 5, William B. Holmes and Laura J. Maxwell; Andrew J. McDonald and Ann Manning; 6, Samuel E. Wells and Mary Ann Florence; 9, Richard M. Goodroe and Rebecca J. Smith; 12, Francis Hewson and Caroline C. Mahan; 13, James W. McDonald and Puss Mobley; 19, John Finney and Mary Benton; James B. Hathcock and Sarah J. Cattle; 23, Thomas R. Guice and Vernie McJunkin; William C. McCarty and Fannie P. Butt; William D. Amyet and Jarusha Simmons; John S. Stephens and Rebecca Pilkinton; 26, Thomas C. Preddy and Sarah J. Kelly; Peter R. Hyatt and Sarah Lascar; Solomon Clark and Minerva Patillo; 28, Francis W. Jenkins and Mary Ann Ward; Charles W. Lefler and Mary A. Ward; 30, Fleming Hodges and Martha A. Bozeman; 31, A. W. Humphries and Elizabeth L. V. Taylor.

April 2—Josiah Coskins and Lucinda Gardner; 5, John S. Smith and Sallie C. Hanks; 9, LeRoy Kilgore and Martha Goodale; Frank Lindsey and Laura Leake; 13, A. H. Chandler and Mary E. Pullum; 18, John W. Goodloe and Eliza A. Lewis; 29, James A. Clegg and Frances Blackstock; Charles F. Reese and Mattie A. Wade; 30, William J. Wolf and Sarah Ann Jones.

In April, news of the approach through Alabama of a large Federal raiding party under command of General Wilson, caused a sensation in Columbus, which was quickened into a state of alarm and excitement when the enemy reached and captured Montgomery. Many refugees from that city and other parts of Alabama fled to Columbus. The local military authorities organized all the available forces for defense. The preparation was hasty, troops mostly wholly inexperienced, and the arms generally very inferior. The military authorities determined with these to attempt a defence of the city. The enemy arrived in sight of Columbus, on the Alabama side of the river, on Sunday, the 16th of April. We copy from the Enquirer, of June 27th, (which was the first number of a paper issued in the city after the raid,) an account of the attack and capture of the city:

THE WILSON RAID.

On Sunday, the 16th of April, the last battle of the war, on this side of the Mississippi river, was fought in Girard, Alabama, opposite this city.

The Confederate troops consisted of two regiments of the Georgia State Line, Waddell's battery, some of the forces of Gens. Buford and Wofford, a small number of the Georgia reserves, the organized companies for local defense in this city, besides a number of citizens of Columbus and a few hastily collected reserves of Russell county, Alabama—numbering in all, perhaps, two thousand men. The outer fortifications, that had been constructed for the defense of the city, were abandoned for the want of men to defend so long a line, and the troops were drawn into a line of rifle pits, extending from Dr. Ingersoll's hill to the "upper bridge," over the Chattahoochee; this line embracing the Opelika railroad and the upper bridges, and two fortifications near the ends of the trenches, in which batteries were placed. A considerable portion of the excavation and embankment forming this line of defense was thrown up on the morning of the day of battle. The lower, or "city bridge," was not encircled within the line, but the plank on the Girard end had been torn up on Saturday evening, and on Sunday morning every preparation was made to fire and destroy this bridge in the event of an attempt by the enemy to force its passage.

The first appearance of the Federal forces was about two o'clock, P. M., when their advance drove in the Confederate pickets on the Hurt's bridge or lower Crawford road. It appears that at Crawford the advancing forces had divided and took the two roads from Crawford to this city, and that the column on the upper and shorter road awaited the arrival of the other to make the first demonstration. The Confederate pickets, or scouting party, retreated into the town, closely followed by the Federals, who were within good rifle range

and firing briskly at the retreating party. This advance was met by a fire from a small Confederate force near the creek bridge in Girard, and from the battery on the red hill near the upper bridge, and was soon compelled to retire. A portion of this party, however, made a dash at the lower bridge, firing through it when they found their passage stopped by the tearing up of the flooring. The order was then given to fire the bridge, which was quickly carried out, and it was soon wrapped in flames. In the execution of this order, Capt. C. C. McGehee, of one of the Naval Iron Works companies, acted with conspicuous gallantry. In this first brush two or three men on each side were killed and several wounded.

From two o'clock until dark no attack was made by the Federal troops, though it was evident that they were arriving in considerable numbers and were preparing for the conflict. They showed themselves in small squads on most of the hills commanding a view of the city and of the Confederate line of defense, and the men and their horses took shelter behind these hills and in the small timber along the western suburbs of Girard. The Confederate batteries, meantime, were engaged in shelling the eminences on which these demonstrations were made, and the general conviction in the city was that the Federals were making preparations for shelling Columbus at night. All the Federal forces, we believe, were mounted men, and the sequel proved that they had but two or three, if so many, pieces of artillery with them on Sunday afternoon.

Thus matters continued until night had fairly set in. It was a clear but dark night. About eight o'clock the Federals, dismounting their men, made a vigorous charge upon a portion of the Confederate line. It was met steadily by the Confederate forces, and the musketry firing was for some time sharp and rapid. The batteries also opened upon the assailants, and to those unused to the din of battle it appeared as if the destruction of life must necessarily be great. The attack was repulsed. Again and again'the Federal forces, deepening their columns, advanced under cover of the night, to the assault, and again they met by a continued roll of musketry, at close quarters, and by the bellowing cannon in the fortifications. But the Confederate line of defenses was a long one to be manned by so small a force, and a single line of raw troops, even in trenches, could not be expected long to hold out against the constantly compacting and reinforced columns of their assailants. Before the line had been broken, however, it was discovered that a squad of the Federal troops had by some means made their way to the Girard end of the upper bridge and were actually holding the bridge at that end, in rear of the line of defense! How they gained this position is not yet fully known. It is generally supposed that it was by making their way, either in disguise, or under the shelter of some ravines and the darkness of the night, through the line in the neighborhood of the railroad bridge, and coming down on the bank of the river. This successful managurer proved very embarrassing to the further defense of the city. Orders from headquarters in Columbus were intercepted on their way to the battle-field in Girard, and no communications

could be kept up, nor any general understanding of the progress of the fight obtained. In a short time there was a promiscuous rush for the bridge. Friend and foe, horsemen and footmen, artillery wagons and ambulances, were crowded and jammed together in the narrow avenue, which was "dark as Egypt," or "Erebus," for that bridge had no gas fixtures and was never lighted. How it was that many were not crushed to death in this tumultuous transit of the Chattahoochee, seems incomprehensible. The Confederates had no reserved forces, except a few squads for guard duty, in the city, and very little resistance was made after the Federals had crossed the bridge. But nearly all the known casualties on the Confederate side nevertheless occurred on this side of the river. The chivalric and lamented Col. C. A. L. Lamar fell while gallantly endeavoring to rally a squad of Confederates at the city end of the bridge. So did the noble and much-regretted young Alexander W. Robison, who was killed at the bridge. Judge Waddell, of Russell county, was shot and mortally wounded on the upper part of Broad street. Mr. J. J. Jones, the local editor of this paper, and Mr. Evan Jones of Apalachicola, were also killed on Broad street. Capt. S. Isidore Guillet, Col. Von Zinken's chief-of-staff, was killed on the Girard side, while gallantly doing his duty. If there were any other Confederates killed on that side of the river, we have not been able to learn their names. Mr. - Smith, a watchmaker of this city, and an Englishman by birth, was killed on Broad street; and we hear that two young men, whose names are unknown to us, were killed near the brickyard, in the eastern suburbs of the city. These are all the deaths on the Confederate side of which we have any knowledge.

We have no means whatever of making an estimate of the Federal loss in this fight. The darkness of the night prevented any view of the ground while the battle was going on, and the victors held the field and all access to it afterwards. Had the attack been made in the day time the loss of the assailants must have been much greater than it really was, and there is every reason to believe their casualties were quite numerous.

Northern papers state that Gen. Wilson telegraphed that he captured about one thousand prisoners. The Confederate troops that escaped were scattered in every direction, some on either side of the river, and the organization so hastily collected to defend the city was dispersed to as many quarters as those from which it had been brought together.

Maj. Gen. Howell Cobb was the ranking officer of the day, but the direct command of the troops in the field was assigned to Col. Leon Von Zinken, whose coolness and intrepidity were conspicuously displayed and acknowledged as well by the Federals as the Confederates.

The fight was gallantly maintained on both sides. The Union troops have made ready acknowledgment of the courage with which the Confederates, for mostly raw troops and all hastily thrown together, stood their ground; and the attack of the Federals was made and followed up with an unquailing spirit.

It is plain that an error was committed in making the line of defense too

long. Had the railroad bridge been partially destroyed, and the line shortened and doubled around the upper bridge, a much stouter and more prolonged resistance could have been made. But the Federal force would have taken the city in spite of the best dispositions made with our limited means, for they could have sent a large body of troops to cross the river either above or below the city, and have entered it from the Georgia side while they were making demonstrations against the force in Girard.

A very large quantity of cannon, small arms, ordnance and commissary stores fell into the hands of Gen. Wilson, and were destroyed.

We have called this the last fight east of the Mississippi. There was a sharp fight at West Point on the same day, but earlier in the day. There may possibly have been a brush or two in Western North Carolina after the 16th of April, but nothing like a battle of any importance. A fight occurred two or three weeks later in Western Texas, near the old Palo-Alto battle ground, in which the Confederates were successful; and this closed the fighting of the civil war, so far as we have any advice.

GEN. WILSON'S REPORT.

We make on next page extracts from Gen. Wilson's report of his raid through the South, including the capture of Columbus. Only two or three statements call for notice here, either because of their incorrectness, or because they serve to explain some incidents about which there was doubt. Gen. Wilson admits a loss of twenty-five men killed and wounded in the attack on the Confederate position on the Alabama side of the river. He states that his advance, which dashed through Girard about two o'clock p. m. on the 16th, would have captured the lower bridge had the Confederates not fired it. This seems to settle the disputed question as to the propriety of firing the bridge at that time, because Gen. Wilson's assertion shows that Gen. Upton's advance had orders to make an attack on the bridge, whether they would then have captured it or not. The report does injustice to the Confederates in not stating that their line of defence around the upper bridge, &c., was a single one and long drawn out, and that the four or five hundred Federal troops, for whom he claims the honor of breaking through the Confederate lines, did not really encounter one-half their own force. It also confirms the statement that the Federal forces had, in some manner not yet clearly explained, obtained possession of the

bridge in the rear of the Confederates before the line of the latter was broken through.

Gen. Wilson's statement of the work of destruction by his orders at Columbus is evidently only approximately correct. In some respects it exaggerates, and in others falls short of the extent of the vandalism. The general estimate of the amount of cotton destroyed puts it at but little over one-half of his statement. He burnt two printing offices (those of the Sun and Times) and some private buildings, of which he makes no mention. It was claimed that the private buildings were unavoidably burnt because of their contiguity to establishments operated in aid of the Confederacy. There was only one paper mill (the Rock Island) in this section, and therefore only one could have been destroyed.

CAPTURE OF MONTGOMERY.

In the march from Selma, LaGrange's Brigade of McCook's Division was given the advance. The recent rains had rendered the roads quite muddy, and a small body of Rebel cavalry, in falling back before LaGrange, destroyed several bridges, so that our progress was necessarily slow.

At seven a. m., April twelfth, the advanced guard reached Montgomery, and received the surrender of the city from the Mayor and Council. Gen. Adams, with a small force, after falling back before us to the city, burned ninety thousand bales of cotton stored there, and continued his retreat to Mount Meigs, on the Columbus road. Five guns and large quantities of small arms, stores, etc., were left in our hands and destroyed.

Gen. McCook assigned Col. Cooper, Fourth Kentucky Cavalry, to the command of the city, and immediately began the destruction of the public stores. Major Weston, of the Fourth Kentucky, with a small detachment of his regiment, made a rapid march to Wetumpka, swam the Coosa and Tallapoosa rivers, and captured five steamboats and their cargoes, which were taken to Montgomery and destroyed. Early on the fourteenth the march was resumed. I instructed Brevet Major General Upton to move with his own division directly upon Columbus, and to order LaGrange, with his brigade, to make a rapid movement upon West Point, destroying the railroad bridges along the line of march. I hoped to secure a crossing of the Chattahoochee at one or the other of these points.

Minty followed Upton by the way of Tuskegee. McCook, with a part of his division, remained a few hours at Montgomery to complete the destruction of public stores. Shortly after leaving his camp, near Montgomery, La-Grange struck a force of rebels under Buford and Clareton, but drove them in confusion, capturing about one hundred and fifty prisoners.

About two p. m. of the sixteenth, General Upton's advance—a part of Alexander's brigade—struck the enemy's pickets on the road and drove them rapidly through Girard to the lower bridge over the Chattahoochee at Columbus. The rebels hastily set fire to it and thereby prevented its capture. After securing a position on the lower Montgomery road, Gen. Upton detached a force to push around to the bridge of the factory, three miles above the city. He then made a reconnoisance in person and found the enemy strongly posted in a line of works covering all the bridges, with a large number of guns in position on both sides of the river. He had already determined to move Winslow's Brigade to the Opelika or Summerville road and assault the works on that side without waiting for the arrival of the Second Division.

I reached the head of Winslow's Brigade of the Fourth Division at four o'clock, and found the troops marching to the position assigned them by General Upton. Through an accident, General Winslow did not arrive at his position till after dark, but General Upton prepared to make the assault in the night, and coinciding with him in judgment, I ordered the attack.

Three hundred men of the Third Iowa Cavairy, Col. Noble commanding, were dismounted, and, after a slight skirmish, moved forward and formed across the road under a heavy fire of artillery. The Fourth Iowa and Tenth Missouri were held in readiness to support the assaulting party. At eight and a half o'clock, p. m., just as the troops were ready, the enemy at a short distance, opened a heavy fire of musketry, and with a four gun battery, began throwing canister and grape. Generals Upton and Winslow in person; directed the movement; the troops dashed forward, opened a withering fire from their Spencers, pushed through a slashing abatis, pressed the Rebel line back to their outworks, supposed at first to be their main line. During all this time the Rebel guns threw out a perfect storm of canister and grape, but without avail.

Gen. Upton sent two companies of the Tenth Missouri, Capt. Glassen commanding, to follow up the success of the dismounted men and get possession of the bridge. They passed through the inner line of works, and, under cover of darkness, before the Rebels knew it, had reached the bridge leading into Columbus.

As soon as everything could be got up to the position occupied by the dismounted men, Gen. Upton pressed forward again, and swept away all opposition, took possession of the foot and railroad bridges, and stationed guards throughout the city.

Twelve hundred prisoners, fifty-two field guns in position for use against us, large quantities of arms and stores fell into our hands. Our loss was only twenty-five killed and wounded. Col. C. A. L. Lamar, of Gen. Cobb's staff, formerly owner of the "Wanderer," (slave trader) was killed.

The Rebel force was over three thousand men. They could not believe they had been dislodged from their strong fortifications by an attack of three hundred men.

When it is remembered that these operations gave to us the city of Colum-

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bus—the key to Georgia, four hundred miles from our starting point, and that it was conducted by cavalry, without the inspiration from the great events which had transpired in Virginia—it will not be considered insignificant, although shorn of its importance.

Gen. Winslow was assigned to the command of the city.

CAPTURE OF WEST POINT.

After much sharp skirmishing and hard marching, which resulted in the capture of fourteen wagons and a number of prisoners, LaGrange's advance reached the vicinity of West Point at ten A. M., April 16th, with Beck's Eighteenth Indiana Battery and the Second and Fourth Indiana Cavalry. The enemy were kept occupied till the arrival of the balance of the Brigade. Having thoroughly reconnoitered the ground, detachments of the First Wisconsin, Second Indiana, and Seventh, Kentucky Cavalry dismounted and prepared to assault Fort Tyler, covering the bridge. Col. LaGrange describes it as a remarkably strong bastioned earthwork, thirty-five yards square, surrounded by a ditch twelve feet wide and ten feet deep, situated on a commanding eminence, protected by an imperfect abattis and mounting two thirty-two pounders and two field guns.

At one P. M. the charge was sounded and the brave detachment on the three sides of the work rushed forward to the assault, drove the Rebel skirmishers into the fort, and followed under a withering fire of musketry and grape to the edge of the ditch. This was found impassable; but without falling back, Col. LaGrange posted sharp-shooters to keep down the enemy and organized parties to gather material for the bridges. As soon as this had been done he sounded the charge again; the detachment sprang forward again, laid the bridges and rushed forward over the parapet into the work; capturing the entire garrison—in all, two hundred and sixty-five men. Gen. Tyler, its commanding officer, with eighteen men and officers killed, and twenty-eight severely wounded. Simultaneously with the advance upon the fort the Fourth Indiana dashed through the town, secured both bridges over the Chattahoochee, scattering a superior force of cavalry which had just arrived, and burned five engines and trains. Col. LaGrange highly commends the accuracy and steadiness of Capt. Beck in the use of his artillery.

Col. LaGrange destroyed at this place two bridges, nineteen locomotives, and two hundred and forty-five cars loaded with quartermaster, commissary and ordnance stores. Before leaving he established a hospital for the wounded of both sides, and left with the Mayor an ample supply of stores to provide for all their wants.

Early on the morning of the seventeenth he resumed his march toward Macon, passing through LaGrange, Griffin and Forsyth, and breaking the railroads at those places. He would have reached his destination by noon of the twentieth, but for delay caused by an order to wait for the Fourth Kentucky Cavalry, which had gone through Columbus.

DEPARTURE FROM COLUMBUS.

The afternoon of the seventeenth I directed Col. Minty to resume his

march with his Division on the Thomaston road toward Macon, and to send a detachment forward that night to seize the Double bridges over Flint river. Capt. •Van Antwerp, of my staff, accompanied this party. By seven o'clock A. M. the next day he had reached the bridges, fifty miles from Columbus, scattered the party defending them, and took forty prisoners.

Before leaving Columbus, Gen. Winslow destroyed the rebel ram Jackson, nearly ready for sea, mounting six seven-inch guns, burned fifteen locomotives, two hundred and fifty cars, the railroad bridge and foot bridges, one hundred and fifteen thousand bales of cotton, four cotton factories, the navy yard, foundry, armory, sword and pistol factory, accourtement shops, three paper mills, over a hundred thousand rounds of artillery ammunition, besides immense stores, of which no account could be taken. The rebels abandoned and burned the gun-boat Chattaboochee, twelve miles below Columbus.