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R. J. Murphy -- Supervisor

Abstract from T. O. Moore's  
annual message to the General  
assembly January, 1861.

\*\*\*\*\*In accordance with an arrangement entered into with the commanding Officer, in the presence of a force too large to be resisted, Baton Rouge Barracks and arsenal, with all the Federal property therein, and on the 13th, the Federal Troops departed. About the same time State Troops occupied Fort Pike on the Rigolets, and Forts Jackson and St. Philip, on the Mississippi River, and such other dispositions were made as seemed necessary for the public safety. Receipts were given in all instances, for the property found, in order to protect the Officers who were dispossessed and to facilitate future settlement. For the necessary expenses, I have drawn on the appropriation made by the last Legislature for Military purposes. A detailed report of these proceedings and of the expenditures incurred will be laid before you in a few days.

With a full sense of the responsibility I have assumed, the whole subject is respectfully submitted to the Legislature. Soon After taking possession of the Arsenal at Baton Rouge, I received an application from the Governor of Mississippi for aid in arms and munitions of war, in support of the sovereignty of that State against and apprehended attack of similar character to that against which Louisiana had protected herself. The interests of the two States are so intimately associated in the common cause of the South, that I deemed it my duty, not only from considerations of courtesy to a sister State, but in further execution of my duty to Louisiana, regarding the approaches of Federal troops from above, comply with his request, upon the assumption on the part of the State of Mississippi of the same terms of responsibility taken by me for the State of Louisiana. I accordingly directed to be forwarded to the order of Governor Pettus, the following munitions of war:-

5,000----Flint locks Muskets.  
 3,000----Percussion Muskets.  
 1,000----Hall's Rifles, flint locks.  
 200,000--Cartridges, bucks and ball.  
 1,000----lbs. of Rifle Powder.  
 6-----Twenty-four Pounder Guns and Carriages.  
 500-----Twenty-four Pounder shots.  
 1,000----lbs. Cannon Powder.

The supply of material of these descriptions remaining on hand is ample for the wants of the State. In this action I trust to meet with the approval of the Legislature.

In all these movements for the defense and protection of the State, I am proud to say that I have been supported with patriotic cheerfulness and alacrity by the volunteer soldiery of the State.

Upon the arising of the emergency I deemed it expedient to avail myself of the services of the following corps, which were assigned to duty at the points named:  
For Baton Rouge. Commanders.

East Baton Rouge Reg. -----	Col. L. Hebert.
Felican Rifles. -----	Capt. Tunnard.
National Guards. -----	Capt. Rauhan.
Creole Guards. -----	Capt. Fremaux.

Attached to the above regiment:

Louisiana Fencibles. -----	Lieut. Steth.
Grosse Lete Rangers. -----	Capt. Keep.
Delta Rifles. -----	Capt. Favrot.
Carter Minute men. -----	Capt. Fugua.

( A portion of a company from Manshac volunteered with the Louisiana Fencibles.)

New Orleans Detachment.-----Capt. J. B. Walton.

Staff ( Col. C. de Choiseul. Acting Quartermaster.  
 ( Dr. G.W.Cross.----- Acting Surgeon.  
 (Lieut. Isaacson.----- Acting Adjutant. .

Commanders.

Washington Artillery.----- Lieut. O. Voorhies.  
 Orleans Cadets.----- Capt. Dreax.  
 Louisiana Guards.----- Lieut. Girardy.  
 Crescent Rifles.----- Lieut. Metcalx.  
 Sarsfield Rifles.----- Capt. O'Hara.  
 Louisiana Foot Rifles.----- Capt. Meilleur.

For Fort Jackson.

Battalion Orleans Artillery; Maj. P. E. Theard.  
 Staff (P.F. De Gourway.----- Adjutant.  
 (Dr. Mitchell.----- Surgeon.

1st; Co. Orleans Artillery. Capt. Gomez.  
 2nd; Co. Orleans Artillery. Capt. Hebrard.  
 5th; Co. Orleans Artillery. Capt. Newton.

Chasseurs of 1814-15. ----- Lieut. Homadobre.  
 Yagers.----- Capt. Peters.  
 Lafayette Company, #2 ----- Capt. Riehner.

Fort St. Philip.

First Co. Foot Rifles.----- Capt. St. Paul.

Fort Pike.

Continental Guards. ----- Capt. Clark.

For the permanent holding of these fortifications, I have replaced the volunteers by the following companies, which I have authorized to be enlisted and mustered into the State service, viz:

Company A. First Regiment Louisiana Infantry,  
Capt. C. M. Bradford, in command of the Fort Jackson.

Company B. First Regiment Louisiana Infantry,  
Capt. J. A. Jacquess, in command of Fort St. Philip.

Company C. First Regiment Louisiana Infantry,  
Capt. H. A. Clinch, in command of Fort Pike.

Lieutenant Colonel F. M. Kent, East Baton Rouge Regiment, was placed in command of the Baton Rouge Barracks, with Company D. First Regiment of Infantry, in command of Capt. H. M. Pierce, and company E. 1st. Regiment Louisiana Infantry, in the process of enlistment, in command of Capt. F. H. Farrar.

In closing this branch of the subject, I cannot withhold my warm expressions of admiration for the zeal, promptitude and patriotic devotion with which the volunteer force responded to the call of the country. It is an earnest of the order and unanimity with which the honor of the State will always find defenders, among her citizen soldiers.

( Extract )

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST. BRIGADE,  
1ST DIVISION LA. MILITIA,  
NEW ORLEANS, JANUARY 9, 1861.

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To Capt. J.B. Walton;-

You will repair immediately to the foot of Canal street, in conformity to orders from Headquarters, and receive the reports and assume the command of the following companies: Washington Artillery, Louisiana Grays, Louisiana Guards, Sarfield Rifles, Orleans Cadets.

The detachments, when formed, he will report to the Adjutant General for further instructions. Strict order and discipline will be enforced by the commander of the detachments, in accordance with the rules and regulations of war now in force in the army of the United States.

By order of

E.L. Tracy,

Brig. Gen. Commanding 1st Brigade.  
Thos. F. Walker, Brigade Inspector.

In less than twenty minutes after this order was given every man of the above company was under arms and fully equipped for marching orders.

The other companies were also ready, and about 9 O'clock the following companies appeared in line on Canal street, near the point of embarkation to Baton Rouge, our destination- then for the first time generally known in the ranks:

Detachment 1st Division Louisiana Militia, ordered to Baton Rouge, Wednesday, January 9th, 1861, returned on Monday morning January 14, 1861.

#### OFFICERS.

Capt. J.B. Walton, (Wash. Artillery) Commanding.  
 Lieut. H.W. Isaacson, (Wash. Artillery) Adjutant.  
 Col. C. De Choiseul, Quartermaster General.  
 Dr. Crosby, Surgeon.  
 Sergt. Ed. W. Rawle, (La. Guards.) Qm. Sergt.

#### ROLL OF WASHINGTON ARTILLERY OFFICERS.

Senior 1st. Lieut. O. Voorhies, Commanding.  
 Junior 2nd. Lieut. H.M. Isaacson.

#### NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

1st Sergeant.	M.B. Miller,
2nd. " "	H.G. Geiger,
3rd. " "	O.F. Peck,
4th. " "	G. Aime,
Color Sergt.	J.L. Wheat, x <i>J.T. WHEAT</i>
Quartermaster,	Ed. L. Hews,
2nd. Corporal	H.A. Battles,
3rd. " " "	J.B. Richardson,
4th. " " "	M.P. Squives,
Artificer	C.W. Squives,



## PRIVATES:-

L.A. Adam	A. Coste,
J.B.Anderson,	H.J.Carey,
V Aime,	<u>J.De Maza,</u>
R.J.Bruce	B.F.Eshleman,
J. Bisland	J.D.Edwards,
A.A.Brinsmade	Jules Freret,
P.Bannister,Jr.	J.B.Grayson,Jr.
B.L.Braz&eman	Grandpre
M.N,Bartlett	L.Graham,
F.A.Bartlett	J.T.Handy,
C. Brown.	J/Hanlon,
C.Huchez,(Secretary)	E.V.Wiltz,Jr.
W.H.Holmes,	G.W.Wood,
A.Hero, Jr.	White,
E.J.Jewell,	Woodville,
J.M.Kean,	B.T.Walch,
F.Mc Elroy,	D.C.Johnston,
Louis M.Montgomery,	J.G.Pierson,
W.M.Owen,	A.St.Amant,
C.Rossiter,	M.A.Tarleton,
J.Reynolds.	T.W.Behan,

## PRIVATE CON'D.

<u>A. Robira,</u>	Vaught,
Reid,	A. Savage,
J.W. Seymour,	Martin,
G.W. Simpson,	J.F. Wood,
T.S. Turner,	T.B. Easton,
Geo. West,	A.A. Lipscomb,
W. Wingate,	

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## MUSIC

Anton Schindler, (Leader)	Joseph Corente,
George Grote,	Charles Vogh,
Charles Gress	Henry Schindler.
Joseph Schindler	

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## ROLL OF ORLEANS CADETS OFFICERS. (187)

Capt. Chas. D. Dreux.  
 2nd. Lieut. Hy. F. Bond.

## NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

1st. Sergt. ....	Wm. R. Collins,
4th. Sergt. ....	Walter A. Selph,
1st. Corporal.....	R.J. Alexander,
2nd. " " " .....	T.E. Sykes,
3rd. " " " .....	J.H. Laudan,
4th. " " " .....	H.C. Gardner.

SECOND COMPANY OF CHASSEUR-A-PIED.  
OFFICERS.

Major,- B.Avegno,  
Aid-Major, Lieut. J.Gallimard,  
Surgeon, N. Lambert,  
Captain, S. Meilleur,  
Lieut.- J. Esclapon,  
Bugler, F. Spies,  
Orderly Sergeant. L.Alex,  
1st. Sergt. S.P.Martinez,  
2nd. Sergt. J. Aldidge,  
3rd. Sergt. C. Blazi,  
4th. Sergt. C. Laudumiey,  
Drill Sergt. P. Mannint,  
3rd. Corporal. J.Noblom,  
4th. Corporal. G. Meilleur,  
5th. Corporal P. Bidault,  
7th. Corporal. E.N.Bardon,  
8th. Corporal. D.C.Levy,.

## PRIVATES:-

H. Andry,	E.Desforges,
E. Collon,	A. Meilleur,
J.M.King,	J. Train,
R. Breaux,	U.Gueringer
W. Barnett,	C.Funel,
J.G. Hamilton,	E.C. Tefenre,
<u>W. Fleitas,</u>	C. Casimer,
<u>A.Marqueze,</u>	M. Legronde,
R. Daunoy,	F. Avegno,
A. Dauphin,	X.C.De Lassus,
H. Bourgoeis,	P.De Lassus,
A.F.Pagnier,	V. Martin,

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Our Citizen Soldiery in Arms:

All day yesterday New Orleans was alive with strange gatherings and at the street corners there were whispers of Military movements which to the uninitiated were quite a puzzle:

As evening approached the groups thickened in the neighborhood of the city Hall, and there was an unusual stir at the armories and drill rooms. Rumors which were at first vague and wandering finally assumed a definite shape to the effect that in Louisiana the revolution was about to commence, and that an attack on the government fortifications at Baton Rouge and below the city were simultaneously to be made at daylight this morning. About dark, various companies of our citizen soldiers appeared at their armories fully accoutred for active service, and curious crowds assembled in thousands to see what they should see: Between 9 and 10 o'clock the Crescent City Rifles numbering forty muskets marched down St. Charles street and turned up Canal towards the river. This was the first detachment of the force which was to surprise the quiet denizens of Baton Rouge and seize the 15,000 stand of arms there stored before the hundred regular defenders hereof were awakened from their morning slumbers. Finally the Washington Battalion of Artillery marched down its force of fifty and the Orleans Cadets the Chalmette Guards Louisiana Guards and Sarsfield guards soon followed:

The force embarked on the steamer National which had been for some hours in waiting and after midnight started on a mission pregnant with the most important consequences:

The lower portion of the city contributed also to the enthusiasm and military material brought together on the occasion. There were we understand four companies of the Orleans Battalion of Artillery called out together with the Chasseurs of 1814-1815. Three companies of the Chasseurs -a- Pied the Lafayette Rifles and the Yaegers. Most of these companies embarked on another steamboat and we understand for another destination but the lateness of the hour and the comparative secrecy with which the movements have been arranged and regulated, render it impossible to ascertain the full particulars at this writing. Altogether between 700 and 800 men have left the city on two steamboats, and what they intend to do and what they really accomplish will soon become matters of public notoriety:

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MILITARY OPERATIONS  
EXPEDITIONS TO FORTS JACKSON AND PIKE!!  
OFFICIAL ORDERS  
LOUISIANA ASSUMING HER SOVEREIGNTY.  
FULLEST AND LATEST PARTICULARS

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In our edition of yesterday we gave a complete and correct report of the departure of the expedition under Colonel J.B. Walton on the Steamboat National. They were acting under written orders from Governor Moore to proceed to Baton Rouge and seize and hold the United Arsenal there, in the name of the State of Louisiana.

Besides the men who went up with the expedition nine members of the Washington Artillery and twelve members of the Orleans Cadets, and four members of the Sarsfield Guards, who had been left behind, started after them, at five o'clock last evening, on the steamer Vicksburg. The Jefferson Rifles, Captain Jules G. Dreux, were also to have followed this morning, whether by official order or not we could not ascertain, Their destination is unknown.

When these additional men reach Baton Rouge it will increase the force of the Cadets to forty-one men, and of the Sarsfield Guards to twenty, while

the force of New Orleans troops will amount to a total of 270 men, an imposing battalion.

We made an inadvertant error yesterday in stating that the Washington Artillery were under the immediate command of Lieut. James. Their Commissioned officers who went up with them, besides Col. Walton, to command the expedition, were Lieut. Commanding H.T. Voorhies, and 2nd. Lieut. Harry Isaacson,.

We also omitted to mention that Major Bernard Avegno was attached to the expedition in immediate command of the Chasseurs above Captain Meilleur, with his Aide-de-Camp, Lieut. J. Gallimard,.

Yesterday morning the excitement on the streets was intense, and crowds thronged around the different arsenals as the Continentals and Louisiana Greys were under arms in their drill room, corner Lafayette and St. Charles streets, and great activity was apparent in all the down town arsenals, particularly that of the Orleans Battalion of Artillery, on St. Peter street.

In the meantime the towboat Yankee had been chartered by the Adjutant General, and came up abreast of a double tier of ships at the end of St Phillip street wharf, where she commenced loading with provisions and military stores.



About eleven o'clock, a.m. the Artillery, Chasseurs, Yagers and Lafayette Guards took up the line of march from their arsenals to the St. Phillip street wharf, attracting dense crowds on the way, who cheered them enthusiastically and bid them God-speed on their mission for independent Louisiana.

The departure of the boat was a stirring sight to behold. The rigging of all neighboring ships was covered with men and boys, as were their decks and the wharves. As the towboat, her deck crowded with uniformed men and glittering bayonets, shoved off, cheer upon cheer rent the air, and the crowd, seeing the boat's down river destination, divined the purpose of the expedition, as was plain to tell from their shouts.

This expedition was under the immediate command of Major Paul E. Theard, who was accompanied by his Adjutant, P.F. De Gournay, and Two Aide-de-Camps. The force with him was 166 men, as follows:

Orleans Battalion of Artillery, two Companies, commanded by Captains Gomez and B.W. Hebrard, 4 officers, 52 men, 1 musician. Total 57.

First Company of Chasseurs-a-Pied, Captain Henry St. Paul, 4 officers, 37 men, and 3 musicians.

Total 44 Captain St. Paul also left at the Arsenal a reserve force of 27 men under the command of Lieut. Generelly, ready to march when called upon.

Chasseurs-d'Orleans of 1814-15 Capt. Houidobre, 1 officer and 14 men. Total, 15.

Yagers or German Riflemen, Captain Frederick Pecer, 2 officers and 21 men. Total, 23.

Lafayette Guards, a German company, Captain Chas Roemer, 2 officers and 25 men. Total 27.

The instructions under which Major Theard will act as follows: Instructions to Major Paul E. Theard;

You will proceed with your detachment on board of the steamboat Yankee and go down to Forts St. Philip and Jackson, where you will demand of the persons in charge of the forts to surrender them; and you will take possession of the same in the name of the State of Louisiana. Haul down the U. S. flags, if floating there, and hoist the Pelican flag from Fort Jackson. Place Captain St. Paul, with the first Company of Chasseurs-a-Pied, in possession of Fort St. Phillip, and take possession of Fort Jackson with the balance of the detachment. You will hold the forts and defend them against any and all attacks to the last. Strict discipline and order must be exacted by you.

By order of His Excellency Thomas O. Moore,  
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

M. Grivot,

Adjutant General.

At half past two o'clock yesterday afternoon the Continental Guards left thier arsenal and marched down to the Pontchartrain Railroad depot, where they took the cars for the lake steamer, to proceed to Fort Pike, on the Rigolets, which they will seize and occupy. They presented a splendid appearance, all men of portly build and mature years, marching with the precision of regulars.

They numbered 26 muskets, with 3 officers- Captain George Clark, First Lieutenant, A.W. Merriam, and Second Lieutenant , W.F. Hodgkins, and took with them Jordan's field band of two fifes and a couple of drums, making a parade of 33 men.

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THE MILITARY EXPEDITIONS.

The following is a list of the companies, with their strength, that are supposed to have gone to Baton Rouge to take possession of the Arsenal: Crescent City Rifles, Lieutenant commanding - Wm. A. Metcalf, 49 men. Washington Artillery, Lieutenant commanding - James, 62 men. Second Company Chasseurs-a-pied, Captain, S. Meilleur, 40 men. Orleans Cadets, Captain, Charles D. Dreux, 39 men. Louisiana Guards, Captain, S. M. Todd, Lieutenant commanding - Girardey, 41 men. Sarsfield Guards, Captain O'Hara, 16 men. Total 247 men. Colonel Walton is the commanding officer.

The following is a list of the companies (under command of Major Theard) that have gone down the river to take possession of Forts St. Philip and Jackson: Orleans Battalion of Artillery, two companies, commanded by Captains Gomez and B. W. Hebrard, 57 men. First company of Chasseurs-a-pied, Captain - Henry St. Paul, 44 men. Chasseurs d'Orleans of 1814-15, Captain - Honedobre, 15 men. Yagers or German Riflemen, Captain Peder, 23 men. Lafayette Guards, a German Company, 27 men.

The following companies embarked yesterday on the Mobile mail boat for Fort Pike, at the Rigolets: Continental Guards, Lieutenant commanding - Merriam. Louisiana Grays, Captain, W. T. Dean. Chalmette Guards, Captain A. E. Shaw; making a force of 70 to 80 men.

Last evening about twenty men belonging to the companies that have gone to Baton Rouge, left town to join their comrades.

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Excerpt of Governor's Message to the Legislature:

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Delta Rifles: Captain Favrot Commanding:

Carter Minute Men. Captain Faquo Commanding:

(a portion of a company from Manchac Volunteered with Louisiana Fencibles:)

New Orleans Detachment Col. J. B. Walton Commanding. Staff:

Col. C. de Choiseul Acting Quarter master:

Dr. G. W. Cross Acting Surgeon:

Lieutenant Isaacson Acting Adjutant:

Washington Artillery: Lieutenant O.Voorhies Commanding:

Orleans Cadets Captain Dreaux Commanding:

Louisiana Guards Lieutenant Girardey Commanding:

Crescent Rifles: Lieutenant Metcalf. Commanding:

Jarsfield Rifles Captain O'Hara Commanding:

Louisiana Foot Rifles: Captain Meilleur Commanding:

For Fort Jackson:

Battalion Orleans Artillery: Major P.E.Theard Commanding Staff:

P.F.De <sup>DR</sup>Gowinay Adjutant:

Dr. Mitchell Surgeon:

First Company: Orleans Artillery Captain Gomez, Commanding:

Second Company Orleans Artillery Captain Hebard Commanding:

Fifth Company Orleans Artillery Captain Newton, Commanding:

Chasseurs of 1814-1815 Lieutenant Houdobre Commanding:

Yagers Captain Peters Commanding:

Lafayette Company NO. 2 Captain Richner Commanding:

Fort. St. Phillip:

First Company Foot Rifles Captain St. Paul Commanding:

Fort Pike:

Continental Guards: Captain Clark, Commanding:

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Company A. First Regiment Louisiana Infantry Captain C. L. Bradford  
in command of Fort Jackson:

Company B. First Regiment Louisiana Infantry Captain J. A. James ✓  
in command of Fort St. Phillip:

Company C, First Regiment Louisiana Infantry Captain H. M. Clinch,  
in command of Fort Mite:

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Thos. O. Moore:

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## THE MILITARY ENTHUSIASM AND PROGRESS IN OUR CITY.

Notwithstanding the cry of "peace, peace", with some afar off, still it is evident that we should prepare for war defensive. Delay is dangerous, and never more so in days like ours, and in matters military, the least thing will affect a military organization, and read of a single flea changing the destiny of an army. Telegrams come in the shape of weak inventions of the enemy, intending to throw us off our guard and giving a color to the cry of peace, yet are we arming and preparing for the defense of our rights. Last night we were informed that the election held for Major of the Light Infantry Battalion, formed of the Chasseurs of 1814-15 on Tuesday evening 22nd inst., the Jagers and Lafayette Company No. 2 Captain Chalres A. Janvier was unanimously elected Major.

The Chasseurs are the oldest company in the State, having been founded by General Jackson in 1812. Active steps are being taken to place it upon the most efficient footing.

The Jagers and Lafayette company are rapidly filling up their ranks, and with the right sort of material.

All three of these companies proved by the promptitude with which they responded to the orders given for the expedition to Fort Jackson, on which they did good service, that in the hour of necessity they were to be depended upon, and were ready at a moment's notice to peril everything in defense of their State.

Again a cotemporary says on this subject of military matters, "that amidst the new military organizations springing up every day, we must not lose sight of our old volunteer corps, who are receiving new life and increasing their ranks so rapidly that they will doubtlessly soon regain their former splendor. We have seen with pleasure that model corps, the Washington Artillery, become so numerous that it has ceased to be a company and is now forming into a battalion, under the command of that gallant soldier, Colonel J. B. Walton.

"The old Louisiana Legion has also felt the influence of the prevailing warlike feeling, and is fast reorganizing. We learn that the Chasseurs of 1814-15, Lieutenant Houdibre commanding, the Jagers No. 1, Captain Reihmer, have formed themselves into a battalion of light infantry.

Born in France



They held a meeting on Wednesday night, and elected by a unanimous vote, Captain Charles A. Janvier, of the Legion Staff, Major of the new Battalion. This is an excellent selection, Major Janvier is a good soldier, and possessed of that degree of enthusiasm and firmness necessary to establish and maintain on a firm basis the corps he has been called upon to command.

In the Orleans Artillery, the two companies of Light Foot Rifles, in fact, in all the companies comprising the two brigades of the First Division of Louisiana Militia, we note the same favorable signs. The military force of New Orleans may be put down at eight thousand men, four thousand of which will, doubtless, be organized in volunteer companies within a month, if the State can tender them a moderate pecuniary aid."

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### Military Matters

An evening contemporary speaks in this wise of Military matters: The old Louisiana Legion has also felt the influence of the prevailing warlike feeling and is fast reorganizing. We learn that the Chasseurs of 1814-15, Lieut; Honidobre, commanding, the Yagers #1, Capt. Peters, and the Lafayette Company #2, Captain Reihmer, have formed themselves into a Battalion of Light Infantry.

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The Chasseurs of 1814-15, as shown by their name, are the oldest Volunteer company existing in New Orleans, having been formed by Gen. Jackson during the last war with Great Britain. The original founders, in great part, are no more, but though the men have changed as generation succeeded generation, the old company was never dissolved, and the new members carefully preserved the traditions of the past. This Company is now in a fair way of reorganization, counting some 50 members. The Yagers and Lafayette Company are old companies of the Legion, composed principally of Germans; they have always ranked among the best of our Volunteer troops.

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MASS MEETING  
of the  
ORLEANS BATTALION OF ARTILLERY.

A mass meeting of the Orleans Battalion of Artillery will take place on Friday, 1st of February, at 7 o'clock p.m., at the Meeting Room of the Board of Directors of the Second District Public Schools, corner Chartres and St. Peters Streets, for the purpose of proceeding to the complete reorganization of that corps.

All the present members of the Battalion, and those willing to join the same, are invited to attend.

By order of the General Committee,

M.A. Calongne,

Secretary Pro tem.

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