

JANUARY



"Well, what do you suggest?" inquires the Deacon.

"As the case is a very bad one," responds Bill, "I think a powerful remedy should be employed. A little brandy, or if you have not that, a bottle of whiskey, I feel confident, would give the poor animal immediate relief."

At this suggestion, the Deacon's countenance elongated to extraordinary dimensions. It was a hard struggle, but humanity prompted his better nature, and he requested Bill to wait a few minutes, until he could get a bottle, and he should have the whiskey key.

In the course of a few minutes, he returned with the bottle, and handed it to Bill, remarking that he would walk down and look at the horse himself.

Bill walked down to where the other two were, and as he rode up he flourished the bottle above his head, exclaiming: "I've headed the Deacon! But quick, pull out that other bottle, and pretend as if you are drenching the horse; for the good Deacon will be here in a few minutes!"

The Deacon arrived upon the spot, saw how muddy he was, saw him drenched, saw how quickly he recovered; and bidding the young gentlemen good morning, with his hands crossed behind his back, slowly walked back to his house.

When he had got out of sight and hearing, Bill, in the ebullience of his feelings, fairly rolled upon the ground, saying: "I've headed the Deacon, boys! I've headed the Deacon!"

"Well," says one of his accomplices, "let's try the Deacon's whiskey!" and, snatching the action to the words, he turned the bottle to his lips, and takes in an enormous swallow. But no sooner had he touched the palate of his mouth, than a spluttering, choking and coughing, took place, as if he had swallowed vitriol, or a whole riot of tartar emetic.

"Why, what's the matter?" inquires Bill.

"Oh nothing, only the liquor went down the wrong way," handing it to the other. The same symptoms developed themselves upon him also.

"Hallo!" says Bill, "you took it down the wrong way too, ha! Give the bottle to me," and with that Bill seized the bottle, and fixing his eyes upon the heavens, poured the liquid down his throat.

But as it passed down the ducts, twisting and labyrinthine of the intestines, Bill's eyes began to protrude from their sockets, his face turned deadly pale, his knees began to smite one against the other, and sinking to the ground in faint accents spoke, "Boys, I'm pined; the darned infernal Deacon has done for me! Good bye, boys, good—but about this time such a retching and vomiting took place as Bill had never experienced before.

The Deacon, knowing Bill's proclivity for joking, had put tobacco and spirits of turpentine in the whiskey bottle. The joke was too good to be kept. It leaked out. The consequence was, that Bill and his accomplices thought a change of climate and association would be beneficial. One went to Texas, another to Arkansas, and Bill is now fighting under Walker's banner in Central America. But to this day, the citizens of that part of Alabama remember, and in the remembrance laugh heartily, how the Deacon got the boys.

**An Incident of Travel.**

The table was laid for dinner in the spacious upper cabin of what in those days—for the occurrence which we are about to relate—took place many years ago—was considered a first-class river boat. The passengers were seated at their meal, when a swaggering, devil-may-care fellow—who had spent his time, since coming on board at "Natchez under the hill," between corn-whisky and cards—came sauntering in from the "social hall" and took his place at the board, at the same time drawing forth a brace of hair-triggered duelling pistols, which he cocked and laid each side of his plate in such a manner that the muzzles of the loaded weapons were pointed directly at the breast of a gray-haired merchant from New Orleans, a very quiet, unobtrusive sort of person, who sat opposite the gambler.

"Sir," said the old man, "if you do me the favor to remove these pistols, for it is impossible for me to eat my dinner comfortably when my life is endangered by the very careless manner in which you have thrown down your weapons."

To this mild remonstrance the person addressed reclinched no further reply than an oath, coupled with the intimation that "if the old fellow didn't like it he might leave the cabin; but as for himself, he would not move his arms to please the best man that ever walked."

Upon receiving this discourteous reply the old merchant uttered not a word, but resumed his chair from which he had partly risen, with the air of a man who had made up his mind to endure an annoyance which he could not prevent. In a few moments, however he raised his head, made a signal to the black man, a servant of his own, who was attending him, and gave some whispered order. The negro disappeared, entered the merchant's state-room by his outer door, but immediately returned to his place beside his master's chair, where he stooped down, produced something from behind his back, and placed the articles, whatever they were, in the merchant's hands, as the old man put them quietly back to grasp what he had sent for. A moment more, and all were electrified by seeing the old gentleman straighten himself up, with a cocked pistol in either hand, which he leveled full at the gambler's head, at the same instant calling out:

"If you stir, or dare to move a finger, sir, you are a dead man!"

He then motioned to the negro, who stood grinning at his side: "Tom," said he, "go round and take up that person's pistols; remove the caps, and lay them in his berth in his state-room, he won't need them, at least, until after dinner."

As for you, sir," added he, turning to the discomfited swaggler, as Tom literally carried out his master's instructions, "I fancy you will not be disposed to bully even an old man in future."

When the Screamer No. 3 stopped to "wood up," some two hours after-

wards, the "gambler man," was "by particular request," one of those who went on shore.—[Brewster's War in Kansas.

### REPUBLICAN.

JACKSONVILLE, ALA.  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1857.

WE are authorized to announce B. N. Page, as a candidate for Tax Collector of Benton County. Election first Monday in August next.

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WE read once of a western Editor, who in an extremely cold spell, kept the "printer's devil" rubbing his head with a brick bat to keep his ideas from freezing.

We have had many difficulties to encounter during the past two weeks, in the shape of frozen paper, type, ink, &c.; yet we still continue, without disappointment, to present our patrons, with what we trust will be to them an interesting sheet; and when they recount our many shortcomings we hope they will not forget to bring this in as an offset.

STATE CONVENTION.—AGAIN.—Since the publication of our last paper we have seen a communication in the Southern Advocate, signed "Many Democrats," suggesting the 1st or 2nd Monday of June as sufficiently early for the State Convention.

We have from the beginning been willing to agree to any day which would best suit and be most agreeable to the greatest number; but would not be surprised if it should devolve on the executive committee yet to fix the time.

Suicide.—Wm. Griffin, a respectable citizen of this County, committed suicide on Friday 23rd inst., by shooting himself through the head with a rifle. The act was perpetrated in his own house, some time in the night, in the presence of two grown daughters, who were deterred by fear from interfering to prevent it. He loaded up the gun with great care, walked about the house for some time, and then placing the muzzle to his forehead touched the trigger with a piece of pine. The lead entered his forehead just above his eyes, literally blowing off the top of his head, and scattering his brains on the ceiling. No assignable reason can be given for the fatal act, unless it was mental aberration produced by drinking freely for some time previous.

Rail Road Bonds.—We invite the particular attention of all interested, to the proposals of the President of the Ala. & Tenn. R. R. Co. in days paper, to sell the last of the series of the 2nd Mortgage Bonds, held in reserve until the road crossed the river. The \$100,000 proposed to be thus raised, is required to finish the road to the 100 mile station, at which point sufficient means can be obtained to continue the work without intermission. The terms proposed are exceedingly liberal: the semi-annual payment of eight per cent., is about as good an investment of capital as can well be made; besides the advantage of recovering a like amount of stock into 8 per cent; the investment of both is ample and sufficiently secured, beyond contingencies. We hope the amount will be taken immediately by stockholders along the road; for we have no doubt their real estate will be enhanced in value, by its being taken, more than double the amount required leaving out of view every other consideration, advantage and inducement.

Increase of Crime.—The papers of New Orleans, St. Louis and Chicago, are complaining bitterly, and no doubt justly, of the increase in number and enormity of the crimes committed in those great cities. They attribute the increase, principally to two causes—the influence of money in shielding criminals, and the frequent exercise of the pardoning power.

Democratic Watchtower.—R. H. Chapman, Esq., offers for sale one-half interest in the above named paper. The Watchtower is doing as good a business as most of county papers, and a good opportunity is offered for a profitable investment. A purchaser would be preferred who is capable of taking charge of the editorial department.

Arrival of the Texas.—Later from Walker. New Orleans, Jan. 15.—via Louisville and New York.—The steamer Texas has arrived from San Juan.

The purser reports that the Costa Ricans, protected by an English flag, had seized every steamer on the San Juan river.

Col. Lockridge held Punta Arenas with two hundred and fifty men, while 1,000 Costa Ricans held every other point on the river.

Gen. Aenningsen had beaten the allies at Granada and joined Walker.

The army of the latter were in good spirits, though fighting among themselves.

The James Adger took her passengers to Aspinwall.

### Further by the Texas.

New Orleans, Jan. 16.—Passengers from Nicaragua give favorable and unfavorable accounts of Walker's prospects but the majority are of the latter character. The capture of the San Juan river was effected by a man named Spencer, who was formerly mate of one of the Company's boats. All of the river boats, two large steamers belonging to Walker and the forts Castillo and San Carlos were in the hands of the Costa Ricans. Walker had only one small schooner and a few bungaloes. Several officers came passengers in the Texas, most of whom think Walker is a goner, case, while others were still hopeful.

A meeting of Walker's friends had been held and a number had resolved to go back. It is reported that Spencer is in the pay of Vanderbilt. Col. Lockridge with his three hundred men would have attempted to retake the boats but the British Commander warned him to desist.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 17.  
COTTON.—Sales to-day of 250 bales cotton. Prices nominal.

AUGUSTA, Jan. 17.  
COTTON.—The demand is moderate with limited sales. Middling Fair 12 1/2c.

Nicaragua Meeting. New Orleans, Jan. 20.—A large and enthusiastic meeting was held to night to devise means to assist Walker.

From Mexico. New Orleans, Jan. 20.—Advises from Mexico state that there are rumors of other rebellions. There had been many mail robberies. The last American mail to the city of Mexico having been pillaged. Gen. Gadsden was robbed on his way to Vera Cruz.

TELEGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE. AUGUSTA, Jan. 20.—A tremendous sleet storm prevailed to the north of Wilmington on Saturday last. No mails have been received from Weldon since that time. The telegraph lines in that direction are all broken down.

New Orleans, Jan. 20.—An arrival here gives later accounts from Mexico, mentioning numerous mail robberies and rumors of rebellion. Among the robberies are the cases of Mr. Gadsden, while on his way to Vera Cruz, and the regular American mail, destined for the City of Mexico.

An enthusiastic meeting was held this evening, concerning Nicaraguan affairs. The recent intelligence by the steamer Texas contributed to the general good feeling.

New Orleans, Jan. 17.—Cotton dull, on account of the delay of the steamer's news and the weather.

### America as One of the Great Powers.

The Journal des Debats of December 23, in an article on the President's Message, signed by S. DeSacy, makes use of the following language:

"The political relations between North America and Europe are daily developing themselves. Commerce is the sole cause, but what is the extent of the field which it occupies at this moment, and what subject does it not affect? The message mentions two subjects which it occupies at this moment, and what subject does it not affect? The message mentions two subjects which indicate how America penetrates, day by day, deeper into the heart of European questions. The first is the question of the payment of the Sound Dues. Undoubtedly, at the instigation of American ship owners, the government of the United States taking here, contrary to custom the initiative, made known to Denmark that it did not understand that the merchant flag of the United States was obliged to recognize these rights.

The cabinets of Europe have been compelled, to a greater extent to follow the course of America on this point. In consequence of the policy of the cabinets of Washington, conferences have been held negotiations have followed, and we are compelled to submit ourselves to the will of America. The Sound Dues a feudal institution, for which no proportionate equivalent is returned, but respectable from its antiquity, will be abolished. So far as Europeans are concerned, it will be at the price of a considerable indemnity, but there is reason to believe that the Americans will escape without any indemnity.

The other subject, which has a more general import, is the abolition of the right of privateering in time of war, as a more exact definition of what constitutes a blockade. The Congress of Paris, by a resolution, which will be recorded in history to the honor of our age, as we well remember, rallied unanimously upon the principles of maritime right, for which France, under the old regime and the first Empire, had so urgently insisted. There will be no more letters of marque, and the neutral flag will be respected. The United States taking the lead again in this path of progress and security for private property, have demanded that not only shall blockades be defined with the utmost exactness, thus doing away with all paper blockades, but that vessels of war shall no longer exercise the right of making reprisals upon commerce. This complete assimilation between war on land and naval warfare, so far as private property is concerned, and as we are informed by the message of President Pierce, that of the Emperor of the French, although the official solution of this new proposition is yet to take place. Under the present circumstances, on the question of the Sound Dues, the American Union, as we see, begins to exercise a remarkable influence on the definite decisions of the European cabinet. In fact it enters thus at once into concert with the powers in a manner most flattering to its reputation, for, as its flat-errers will not fail to tell it, its actions seem to imply a right of control or even a jurisdiction in cases of appeal.

### Contrast Between a Monarchy and a Republic.

The arrival of the President's Message in London has called forth the following observations from a Democratic journal, the People's Paper, edited by Ernest Jones. The contrast between the English Monarchy and the American Republic must strike with force the most superficial reader:

"Here we have an old monarchy with a German Royal family costing one million pounds per annum—a national debt of 800 million pounds sterling, costing twenty-eight millions per annum, and entailed by that German Royal family, through German wars, for German interests, a hereditary landed aristocracy, drawing a rental of 100 millions yearly, from the people; a State Church, robbing the same people of eleven millions more every year; a poor-rate equal to the revenue, and a pauper population equal to the inhabitants of some continental kingdoms;—and debt, royal extravagances, pauper-rates, taxation, and land rental, increasing constantly. This is what we have here."

"On the other side of the Atlantic, there is a young republic, with a native President, who costs only 9000 per annum, a national debt of only seven million pounds, which might be paid off in one year, without the revenue of the country feeling any material drain; an income so large, that the Executive seeks to reduce it by ten million dollars; no hereditary aristocracy drawing the life blood from the people's veins; no State Church 'spoiling the people as the Israelites were told to spoil the Egyptians; we are informed, but for a far less excusable motive; no paupers and no poor-rates worth mentioning; no foreign interest in an alien-descended family; no decay, no decline, no threatened ruin; but, on the contrary, prosperity, wealth, economy, happiness and contentment.—This is what they have there."

"Why is this difference? Because in the one country there is a franchise restricted to one seventh of the population, one half of which seventh returns seven tenths of the representation, combined with that useless, mischievous, and ridiculous institution called 'monarchy.' Because in that country there is Universal Suffrage, and a republic.—That is the difference between the two institutions, as shown in their results.—Could there be a more striking contrast on the relative value of the two?"

"President Pierce's last message, just given to the world, presents a picture of prosperity and good government—such as no other country in the world can show."

Horrible Murder.—The Starkville (Miss.) Advertiser contains the particulars of a horrible murder of Robert Burnes, proprietor of the Cottage Hotel in that place, by Dr. W. D. Stovall, with whom he had a fight the day before. It says:

Going near Burnes' stable, Dr. S. stopped the buggy, and walked within about twenty-five paces of Burnes, who was engaged in harnessing a horse, he leaped to a negro who was standing near to get out of the way, and at the same time raising the gun and firing a pistol at the head of his first. Burnes looked around and received the contents of the gun full in his face. He raised his hands to his eyes and sunk to the earth, exclaiming, "my God!" Upon this, Stovall advanced within ten paces and fired the second time, the whole charge taking effect in his back, and Burnes then cried out, "I am a dead man!"

Stovall satisfied that Stovall's approach was fatal, he drew a second pistol from his belt and fired a pistol, bursting his eye-ball from its socket; then putting the pistol to his breast, he fired a fourth time into the body of the already dead man.—Mrs. Burnes and her children rushed from the house screaming, while Dr. Stovall coolly walked off to his buggy and drove off.

Life and Death in California. By the Gen. Law we see that numerous murders and suicides have taken place throughout the State. In Santa Clara County, Francisco Berryessa, a native of California, was murdered by Calisto Langara Chileno; and a person named Clech by a Mexican. At Columbia, a rejected lover, named Juan Arenas, shot his old mistress, Rosaria Contreras, through the breast, and then shot himself through the heart. The woman is not expected to live.

A negro man and woman were shot by an American, named Francis Andrews, and a Chilean, a countryman of the latter interfered and stabbed the American through the body of the other, killing both persons. The weapon was a large knife, about two feet in length. A great fight is expected, in consequence, between the Americans and Mexicans and Chileans of the neighborhood, and the miners of these nations are arming, and collecting in great crowds. A German named Constant committed suicide at Nevada, by shooting himself with a pistol. There at all times a great many violent deaths in a country so peculiarly situated as California, where adventures and reckless men, in the youth and prime of life with passion full upon them, have hastened from all lands to make money, at whatever hazard. Their disappointed hopes and fevered passions often lead to insanity, sometimes in suicide, and sometimes in the murder of their fellows. Cases of insanity are naturally far more frequent in this country, in proportion to the population, than in any other land.

St. Louis, Jan. 12.—The St. Joseph correspondent of the Republican, under date of the 31st inst., says that the winter on the plains is the most severe ever known by the dwellers in that region. The surveying parties had been disabled and driven in. Gen. Matthews reports a rumor of two United States surveying parties having been murdered by the Comanche Indians in the South Western part of Kansas territory. Also, that only a portion of another party had returned from Western Kansas; the remainder were believed to have been frozen to death. The thermometer at St. Joseph was 12 deg. below zero. The ice on the Missouri river was 20 inches thick.

### The Bank of East Tennessee.

The Knoxville Whig of Saturday, speaking of the Bank of East Tennessee, says: "No business bank in Knoxville is now taking its issue; and when they are brought up at all, it is at a ruinous discount, and for those who have an immediate use for them, and can use them profitably."

Dr. J. G. Ramsey, and Maj. Thomas Love, two of the Directors have been appointed Receivers, or Trustees, as the case may be, and Col. Churchill, the President and principal stockholder, has made an appeal to the court, to prevent the personal and real estate of the bank, and the redemption of its issues. These Trustees are honest and reliable men, and as far as the large estate of Col. Churchill will

go, it will be properly applied. Whether there will be enough of means to pay out, depends on the circulation, and what this is, we have no means of knowing.

### The Cold Weather.

The first snow of the winter appeared on Sunday last, just covering the ground out of sight. It has been followed by several days of the coldest weather which has ever occurred in this country. On Monday night the Oostanaula river froze quite over, an event which has not taken place within twenty odd years before. A short distance up the stream we are informed the ice broke, and piled up into cakes several feet thick.

Everything that can freeze—as potatoes, ink, and so on—has friz up tight. We have had a regular time of it making up forms, and getting to press so as not to miss publication day.

It snowed on Tuesday night, and as we go to press, there are further indications of more snow.—None Advertised.

### From the Newark (N. J.) Mercury. Members of Congress and the Press.

The above are the comments of the New York Times on the language used by various members of the House on Friday, and they are eminently truthful. For a member of Congress to put on airs and assume the superiority over the conductor of such a journal as the New York Times, is most supremely ridiculous. When they will have retired to a small lawyer's apothecary's or farmer's avocation in some tenth rate village, the New York Times, in its metropolitan character, and with its high republicanism, will be giving tone to public affairs.—The Press of the country is rising beyond the power of public men, and is more able to give them reputation, than to be injured by their attacks. If it has to do is to go steadily forward, and the small men who seek to be little its just influence, will find themselves without the slightest power. The charges made by the New York journals are universally believed to be correct, and it is a suspicious circumstance, that so many of the speakers should have gone to abusing the Press, instead of endeavoring to disprove the charges.

### EFFECTS OF TALE TELLING.

The ancients have represented the effect of tale-telling on busy bodies themselves by a fable, to the effect that the crow, which was of the finest white color, was changed into his present jet black for the crime of tale-bearing—a crime which could not pass with impunity in this family of inferior animals. A poet has given us the fable as follows:—

"The raven once in snowy plumes was drest. White as the whitest dove's unsmiled breast. Soft as a swan, a large and lovely fowl; His tongue, his prating tongue has changed him quite. To sooty blackness from the purest white."

Albeit this is simply a fable, it shows us how the ancients viewed the sin of tale-bearing. If it has never changed the snowy white plumes of a raven in to sooty blackness, the slanderous tale-telling tongue of any one who habitually allows himself to backbite and calumniate others, cannot but tarnish his own character with shades of darkness and guilt. Its effect on the person slandered may not be lasting, for the good shall outlive the envious detractions of all such meddlers; but the spirit of calumny commingles and interweaves into the very nature of detractors. Can a leopard change his spots? No. Can a tale telling, mischief-making, troubler of society refrain from his favorite of good men's names? He can; but only by keeping his mouth as with a lead.

The Great 13th Ren.—Casius M. Clay tells the following: During the late political canvass, Burlingame and himself occupied adjoining rooms at the Bates House, Ind.ropolis. "At a late hour, one evening," said he, "I was in B's room, and both of us were somewhat excited with popular enthusiasm. We were as usual sitting there, when he was fighting our battles over again, with a fine band right opposite my 10 o'clock door the sea of night floods of self-stirring music. 'Clay, you are honored,' said B, and acknowledged the compliment."

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**SHERIFF SALES.**  
Two tracts of land, one of 100 acres, situated in the County of Benton, Alabama, and one of 100 acres, situated in the County of Baldwin, Alabama, for sale by the Sheriff of the County of Benton, Alabama, on the 27th day of January, 1857, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Court House in the Town of Jacksonville, Alabama, the first Monday in March next, the following described Land, to-wit:

Tract No. 1, containing 100 acres, more or less, situated in the County of Benton, Alabama, and one of 100 acres, situated in the County of Baldwin, Alabama, for sale by the Sheriff of the County of Benton, Alabama, on the 27th day of January, 1857, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Court House in the Town of Jacksonville, Alabama, the first Monday in March next, the following described Land, to-wit:

Tract No. 2, containing 100 acres, more or less, situated in the County of Benton, Alabama, and one of 100 acres, situated in the County of Baldwin, Alabama, for sale by the Sheriff of the County of Benton, Alabama, on the 27th day of January, 1857, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Court House in the Town of Jacksonville, Alabama, the first Monday in March next, the following described Land, to-wit:

**COMMITTED**  
To the Jail of Jacksonville, Alabama, for the County of Benton, Alabama, the following named persons, to-wit: John W. Smith, a Negro boy who calls his name MATT, and who he belongs to Hugh Wilson, of Selma, Alabama.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S Sale of Land.**  
Under and by virtue of a decree of the Probate Court of Benton County, Alabama, rendered on the 22d day of January, A. D. 1857, I will proceed to sell upon the premises, on Saturday, the 25th day of February, 1857, at public auction, to the highest bidder, all the right, title, claim or interest belonging to the estate of David C. Hazzlett, deceased, in and to the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit:

**The State of Alabama, }  
Benton County, }  
Court of Probate for Benton  
County, Ala. Special Term  
Jan. 27th A. D. 1857.**

**A FORTUNE OF \$60,000!!!**  
To be had by risking the small sum of \$16!!!  
**SWAN'S LOTTERY.**  
To be drawn Friday January 30, 1857. 1 Prize of \$60,000!!

**EUGENE LEHARDY,**  
CIVIL AND TOPOGRAPHICAL  
ENGINEER  
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POST OFFICE BOX 66.

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FOR the rapid cure of Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, Asthma and Consumption, is universally known as the best remedy ever discovered for every variety of pulmonary disease. So wide is the field of its usefulness, and so numerous the cases of its cure, that almost every section of the country abounds in persons publicly known, who have been restored from alarming and even desperate diseases of the lungs by its use.

**JACKSONVILLE Male Academy.**  
This Institution will be opened on Monday the 26th day of January, 1857, under the superintendence of the undersigned, and will continue twenty on a week. Instruction will be given in all the branches usually taught in Academies, at the rates established by the Board of Trustees.

**BANKING & EXCHANGE**  
**ESSEX'S**  
CAPITAL \$75,000.  
THE ALLIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY, organized under an act of the Legislature, is now prepared for business in the Banking line generally.

**Administratrix Notice.**  
The undersigned has been appointed Administratrix of the estate of Jacob Forney, decd. All persons having claims against said estate, will please present them as soon as possible, or at any rate, within the time prescribed by law, or they will be barred.

**MEADAMS & ARNOLD,**  
Wholesale Grocers.  
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Corner Canal and New Levee sts., New Orleans, La.

**STATE OF ALABAMA,**  
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The second session of this Institution will commence on the first Monday in January, under the superintendence of Miss Bernard.

**SWAN & CO'S LOTTERIES.**  
CAPITAL PRIZE \$50,000.  
The following Scheme will be drawn by S. Swan & Co., Managers of the Fort Gaines Academy Lottery, of Georgia, and the Southern Military Academy Lottery, of Alabama, in each of their Lotteries for February, 1857.

**CLASS O.**  
WILL BE DRAWN, INTEREST OF MONEY ALABAMA, IN PUBLIC ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7th 1857.  
To be drawn in the City of Atlanta Georgia, in public on Thursday, February 19, 1857.

**CLASS 25.**  
To be drawn in the City of Atlanta, Ga., in public on Thursday, Feb. 28th, 1857.  
**SINGLE NUMBERS!!**  
Three Thousand Two Hundred and sixty Prizes!  
**MORE THAN ONE PRIZE TO EVERY NINE TICKETS!!**

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By virtue of 2 f. fas. issued from the Circuit Court of Benton County, and to me directed, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, before the Court House door, in the Town of Jacksonville, Ala., on the first Monday in March, 1857, the following described Land, to-wit:

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