

The Democrat

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EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

Office—Franklin Street, next door
to Advocate Office.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 1874.

S. M. PETTINGILL & CO., 37
Park Row, New York, 10 State Street,
Boston, and 701 Chestnut Street, Philadel-
phia, are Agents for the HUNTSVILLE DEMOCRAT
in the above cities, and are authorized
to contract for advertisements at our
lowest rates.

MEMPHIS & CHARLESTON R.R.

SCHEDULE.

Arrivals and Departures at Huntsville

EASTWARD TRAINS.

Beginning December 14th, 1873.

Express Train Arrives..... 8:32 a. m.

Leaves..... 8:50 a. m.

Mail Train Arrives..... 10:50 p. m.

Leaves..... 11:00 p. m.

WESTWARD TRAINS.

Express Train Arrives..... 12:07 p. m.

Leaves..... 12:17 p. m.

Mail Train Arrives..... 11:35 p. m.

Leaves..... 11:42 p. m.

The Postmaster at Huntsville, has po-
sibly furnished the following Post Office
schedule of office hours, 72 a. m., to 5 p. m.
Mails close at 5 p. m.

HUNTSVILLE POST OFFICE

SCHEDULE.

Office hours (except on Sunday) from

8 a. m., until 6 p. m. On Sunday, from

8 to 9 a. m.

Mails received from all points at 11:

45 p. m. Extra mail from Nashville

at 5 p. m.

Mail opened—General Mail at 7 a.

m. Nashville mail at 3:15 p. m.

Mails close for all points at 9 p. m.,

and leave at 11:45 p. m.

Standard of Weights and Measures.

lb..... 25

Apples, dried..... 25

Bay..... 43

Beans..... 6

Bran..... 2

Beans, castor..... 46

Blackhead..... 52

Corn, shelled..... 56

Corn, unshelled..... 7

Corn Meal..... 82

Oats..... 57

Peas..... 67

Peanuts..... 22

Potatoes, Irish..... 6

Potatoes, sweet..... 50

Peanches, dried, peeled..... 49

Peanches, dried, unpeeled..... 33

Rye..... 56

Salt..... 56

Seed, Clover..... 69

Seed, Timothy..... 56

Seed, Flax..... 15

Seed, Blue Grass..... 14

Seed, Cotton, crude..... 33

Seed, Cotton, hulled..... 56

Seed, Millet..... 50

Seed, Orchard Grass..... 14

Seed, Hordgrass..... 11

Seed, Lucerne..... 60

Wheat..... 60

Wm. L. CLAY is our authorized agent to

receive and receipt for any money due us,

or credit to any other business of the

Democrat Office.

Persons who wish their advertisements

inserted in the HUNTSVILLE DEMOCRAT, or

please hand them in to the office, on or be-

fore Wednesday morning of each week.

Persons who have business in the Pro-

bate Court, and desire to publish their ad-

vertisements in the DEMOCRAT, will please

give directions to the Probate Judge to

that effect.

Advertisers who bring funeral marriage

and other notices to this office, should

also prepare to pay for them. It is un-

reasonable to ask us to charge these petty

amounts, and our experience teaches that

we ultimately get paid for one out of

ten of them.

E. C. Gordon is selling

Dado & Alabama coal per ton..... \$5.50

Dado & Alabama coal, per half ton..... 3.50

Dado & Alabama coal, per barrel..... 75

Knoxville coal per ton..... \$4.00

Knoxville coal per half ton..... 2.00

Knoxville coal per barrel..... 21.00

MURKIN IN THE TON.

Mrs. J. W. CLAY, gives instruction in

NOTES AND DOINGS.

Rain, rain, rain, for several days
past. Our city "Big Spring" is as
muddy as the Mississippi. The low
lands below the Meridian Pike
were overflowed yesterday. The clouds
indicate more rain.

The election on Tuesday, notwith-
standing the great interest enlisted
and the active canvassing, was one of
the most quiet we have ever seen.
There was, we understood, one slight
"sermonizing." The saloons were closed,
and we did not see a single drunk-
en man during the day.

Ed. H. Moore, son of Judge Wm.
H. Moore, of Huntsville, but a resident
of Mississippi, had a ticket in the Lou-
isville Public Library Lottery, which
draw \$18,750, being one tenth of the
capital prize.

We understand that four persons
(all negroes, we believe) have been ar-
rested for illegal voting in the Mayor's
election, and that one or two white
men are subject to prosecution for the
same offence—all having voted for the
Radical ticket; but whether Demo-
cratic or Radical, let them be pro-
secuted vigorously. A pure ballot is
essential to the maintenance of free
government and public morals.

We are glad to learn that Mr. A.
A. Moore, the former popular clerk at
the Huntsville Hotel and one of the
cleverest men in the country, will re-
turn to his old post in a few days.

Mr. H. McVillie Bonham, the dis-
tinguished elocutionist, delineator of
character and balladist, gave an elegant
entertainment at the Opera House
on Tuesday night last. The large au-
dience were delighted, and, by urgent
sollicitation, he consented to give an-
other last night, but the heavy rain
caused him to postpone it till to-night.
We hope he will have a rousing audi-
ence.

Easter Sunday was observed in the
Church of the Nativity by special ser-
vices. The congregation was much
larger than usual, and the number of
communicants at the Lord's table was
also at a high level. The service was
abundantly supplied with the number—
Rev. Mr. Wallace preached an excel-
lent sermon on the immortality of the
soul, the religious services were very
solemn and impressive, and the music
beautifully rendered.

Capt. Frank B. Gurley announces
himself a candidate for Sheriff of Mc-
Clintock county. According to a rule we
have adopted, we cannot express our
opinion of the merits of candidates in
advance of nomination by a regular
Democratic-Conservative convention.

The Children's Easter Festival in
the Church of the Nativity on Easter
Monday evening, was exceedingly in-
teresting, brilliant and beautiful. The
music was very select and was rendered
in a manner never excelled at any
previous festival. Notwithstanding the
inclement weather, there was a
crowded congregation, who were de-
lighted with the chasteness and beauty
of the services. The children's offer-
ings amounted to \$720.80.

The Exits House, formerly Johnson
House, in this city, has been added to,
repaired and refitted, and Mr. J. H.
Ewing, the owner, offers it for rent in
to-day's Democrat.

Our country subscribers are assured
that it is not our fault that they do not
get their papers regularly, but it is
due to default in the mail service
somewhere. We believe that, for two
months past, we have never failed to
mail them in ample time, except about
one or two dozen papers in a horse
mail once.

"Ye Old Folks" Concert is to come
off in our city, shortly, for the ben-
efit of the Methodist Church—the time
is not yet designated.

From a notice elsewhere, it will be
seen that there is to be a concert at
the Opera House, April 16, for the
benefit of the Parish School of the
Church of the Nativity. The accom-
plished professional musicians, Prof.
Hollenberg, pianist, and Farmer, stu-
dent, will assist the Huntsville Glee
Club and other amateurs of this city,
on that occasion. The concert is un-
der Episcopal auspices, but the Parish
School receives pupils without regard
to denominational distinctions and ed-
ucates them free of charge. No object
that can be presented appeals more
strongly to the public sympathy and
support than the free education of
God's poor.

The ladies of this city will give an
"Old Folks" Concert, for the benefit
of the Methodist Church, now near com-
pletion. Due notice will be given of
the time and place.

Josh. C. C. CLAY—Montgomery
Ledger has been kind enough to speak
in complimentary terms of C. C. Clay
as the Democratic-Conservative can-
didate for Governor of Alabama. The
Ledger was, probably, not aware that

Ex-Senator Clay is one of the victims
of Radical proslavery, whose disabil-
ities have not been removed, and who
is not only denied the right to hold
office, but even the ordinary privilege
of citizens to vote. He is not a free-
man.

Memorial Election.—The follow-
ing are the official returns of the elec-
tion for Mayor and Aldermen of the
city of Huntsville, on Tuesday last,
April 7:

For Mayor: Thos. W. White, 501;

For Aldermen: L. E. Ward, 516;

L. Rison, 515; J. M. Hutchins, 423;

B. W. Blake, 525; Thos. Leddy, 631;

2d Ward: S. S. Darwin, 457; T. I.

Humphrey, 534; G. H. Warwick, 699;

A. W. McCullough, 511.

3d Ward: A. S. Fletcher, 457; S.

S. Mayhew, 484; J. D. Vandeventer, 591;

John S. Reid, 594.

4th Ward: J. H. White, 461; J.

Van Valkenburg, 441; John T. Pat-

erson, 516; Robt. Herstein, 594.

Those whose names are marked with

an asterisk have, we understand, re-
ceived certificates of election.

From the above, it will be seen that
the regular ticket nominated by the
Democratic-Conservative meeting, with
the exception of T. I. Humphrey, whose
name was printed on other tickets,
of which there were several, was
defeated. From information we have
received, we do not believe that the
Democratic-Conservative ticket has
been legally defeated. There is evi-
dence that many votes cast for the
Radical ticket were illegal—probably
enough to defeat its election. Whether
any steps will be taken to test the
question by judicial decision, we are
not, at present, advised. It is said
that a large number of negroes
who had not been residents of the
State for six months and of the city
for three months, voted for Murphy
and his ticket, and that several white
men did the same. If so, every one
of them ought to be prosecuted for
illegal voting, and the election ought
to be contested.

The Radical's nominated Murphy,
an avowed Democrat, for Mayor, and
several other avowed Democrats, Con-
servatives or Anti-Radicals, for Alder-
men, thereby virtually acknowledging
their inability to elect a straight-out
Radical ticket. Demagogical ap-
peals were made to working men in
favor of Murphy as a poor man, the
workingman's friend, and against
White as an aristocrat, the enemy of
the "swell-heads," and the lawless
sympathy with poor men and work-
ing men. These appeals had no founda-
tion in fact, but they had the effect
to draw off a considerable number of
working men from White. It was al-
so, falsely charged that, if White was
elected, the negro schools would be
stopped, and the M. & C. Railroad
should be restored to the stockholders,
every man in the machine shops,
who voted for Murphy, would be dis-
charged. Other equally absurd re-
ports, calculated to array working men
against the Democratic-Conservative
ticket, were circulated; and these
false statements, in conjunction with
the fraudulent votes, defeated that
ticket. We repeat, if the evidence is
sufficient to justify it, the election
should be contested.

To the credit of a considerable num-
ber of colored men, we record the
fact that they were sensible enough
not to be influenced by Radical ap-
peals and false and idle reports, and
voted the straight-out Democratic-
Conservative ticket.

The Bay St. Louis Duel.

Below we give an interesting ac-
count of the duel which occurred Sat-
urday morning last between two young
Frenchmen:

(Special to the Mobile Graphic.)

NEW ORLEANS, April 4.

A few days since Abraham R. Phil-
lips, the attorney of Madame Olympe,

a famous Canal street customer,

brought suit against Mr. Aristide Bi-

venvenet for indecent exposure to his

wife, and obtained judgment against

him. It is stated that in the court

room Mrs. Bienvvenet expressed some

indignation against Phillips, when the

latter declared that he could not re-
sist what a woman said to him, but if

her husband chose to take the matter
up he would meet him and give him

full satisfaction. Last Monday the

parties met, when Phillips knocked

Bienvvenet down and a challenge was

issued. Last evening Mr. Bienvvenet

left the city with Mr. Charles Bienvvenet

his friend, for Bay St. Louis, and this

morning Mr. Phillips went out on Con-

ductor Bayley's train, accompanied by

Messrs. De Armas and Dubitrand, and

left the cars near Bay St. Louis, at

Montgomery or Nicholson station. Dr.

Scott, as the surgeon, and several other

parties were on the field.

The weapons used were shot-guns,

loaded with ball, and Mr. Phillips se-

curring the advantage of position and

the first shot scattered the brains of

his antagonist who was instantly killed

at the first fire.

"The wife of Bienvvenet is a Mobile

lady, formerly Miss Oliver, and is no-

ted as being very attractive. About a

year ago Mr. Bienvvenet shot and

wounded young Adams, son of Lucien

Adams, whom the former suspected of

improper motives in pursuing his wife,

Adams, however, recovered. There

have been no arrests.

The Herald says that the Atlanta

merchants subscribed to Mr. S. Alder

Smith that they would need (and

would import through Charleston)

about \$100,000 worth of foreign goods

this year. Crockery, hardware, drug

and certain lines of dry goods are

principally what they will take.

ALABAMA NEWS.

A Mrs. Moody, of Crenshaw, re-
cently gave birth to three healthy
girls. Within less than two years
she has given birth to five children.
We can readily believe her husband
is rather Moody.

The furnaces of the Eureka Com-
pany, 6 miles south of Birmingham,
are turning out sixteen and a half tons of
superior iron per day, with a fair pros-
pect of increasing the product to 20
tons per day.

Pat Billingsley, negro, has been ap-
pointed and confirmed post-master at
Marion, in the room of Capt. J. Pack,
a white Republican, removed.

The pay of the Montgomery police
for the month of March is \$400 less
than for any month since the war.

The Montgomery Iron and Lumber
Company are to have a grand ball on
the night of the 16th inst., for the
benefit of the widows and orphans of
that city.

Gen. Forrest has tendered, and the
Directory have accepted, his resignation
as President of the Memphis and Selma
railroad.

Recently three persons went at
night to a saloon in Clayton, and asked
to be admitted. As Mr. Dykes,
the clerk, opened the door he was shot
and killed by the miscreants who then
entered and robbed the store of \$300
in money.

The Tuskegee News offers to send
that paper gratis one year, and guar-
antee a husband, to any young lady
of that place who will discard bustles,
corsets, tucks and flounces, and come
out in society arrayed in a plain dress
made of eight yards of material, and
walk erect, like her maker intended
she should.

The following Alabama cadets are
at West Point Military Academy:—
George A. Cornish, Eli D. Hoyle, Jos.
H. Parsons, Benjamin Stern. The
State is entitled to three cadets addi-
tional. The following are at the Na-
val Academy, Annapolis:—Fred W.
Danner, John O. Nicholson, Derrald
O. Scott, George Stoney, Lovell K.
Keynolds.

At the last meeting of Dayton
Grange, a committee previously ap-
pointed made the following interesting
report:

"A committee have been made to make
the following report of hands employ-
ed and acreage in the various crops:
Hands employed 1873, 1351; in 1874,
1217—decrease 137. Acres in cotton,
in 1873, 14750; in 1874, 13827—de-
crease 923. Acres in corn, in 1873,
9376; in 1874—decrease 402. Acres
in oats, in 1873, 327; in 1874—de-
crease 637. Acres in wheat, in 1873,
none; in 1874—decrease 94. We find
more clover, rye, and small grain
sown, and an increase in stock. Al-
though a great many hands have left
for Mississippi and other places, still
the number of laborers remains about
the same, a great many idlers, women,
chaps, and dead-beats, driven by
necessity to work. Though the num-
ber of hands is about the same, the
acreage in cultivation is a good deal
less, as the farmers all express a de-
termination to work less land to the hand,
and to work it better.

The Medical Society of Pickens
county have adopted the following res-
olutions:

1st. That from and after the pub-
lication of these resolutions, each mem-
ber of this society shall furnish to his
neighboring brother physicians, and
to the secretary of this society, a list
of all delinquent persons who have re-
fused or neglected to pay him for his
professional services.

2nd. That when a delinquent ap-
plies to any other than the one to
whom he is indebted, it shall be the
duty of said physician to require the
said delinquent to make, with himself
or otherwise, satisfactory arrangements
to settle the indebtedness to his for-
mer physician, before he can receive
attention from him.

3rd. That in no case shall the pro-
visions of the foregoing resolution ap-
ply to honest, poor men, who are so
unfortunate as to be the victims of ad-
verse circumstances.

4th. That all practicing physicians
in the county are cordially invited to
co-operate with this society in carry-
ing out these measures.

A Political Victory for the Wo-
men.—At the charter election in Penn
Yan, N. Y., on Monday last week
two tickets were in nomination, one
of which was headed "The Young
Men's Christian Association have con-
fidently extended to the Convention
of use of their rooms, and the com-
mittee of arrangements has accepted
their offer."

THE JACKSON SCANDAL.—The trial
of President Presley, charged with
violating the person of his daughter,
closed on Friday night, the 20th.—
Campbell & McCarty prosecuted the
case. Muse & Buford and Blair &
Talbot defended. The case was con-
ducted with skill and ability by both
sides, throughout the trial. Presley
was bound over to court in the sum
of \$5,000, which was reduced to \$4,000
on the solicitation of his attorneys.—
The bond was promptly given, a num-
ber of the best men in the country vol-
untarily going on it. Public sympathy
is largely with the old man, whom
the majority regard as the victim of a
villainous scheme of robbery, concocted
by his wife and children. Presi-
dent Presley is sixty-five years of age,
a hard working man, and is regarded
by his neighbors as honest and as a
good citizen. The young girl who
claims to have been ruined by her father,
is named Amanda, is sixteen years
of age, medium height, voluntarily
formed, with dark brown hair, and
large brown eyes, and altogether rather
prepossessing. She was plainly but
neatly dressed during the trial, and
gave her horrible evidence clearly,
calmly and with disgusting minute-
ness. The question of guilt or in-
nocence, it is now impossible to fully de-
termine, but if Presley is guilty, death
is too good for him. And if he is in-
nocent, the miserable girl who has ru-
ined her own health, and blackened
the name of her father, and all her promp-
ters and co-spirators, should be whip-
ped through the world by scorpions.—
Jackson, Tenn., Whig and Tribune.

Chloroform was discovered in the
year 1831, by Mr. Samuel Guthrie, of
Sacketts Harbor, New York; he first
obtained it by distilling a mixture of
alcohol and chloride of lime and subse-
quently rectifying the product. It is
now, however, prepared by chemists
by a variety of processes.

To CONSIDERATE SURGEONS.—A call
for a convention of the Confederate
Surgeons to assemble in Atlanta, Geo-
gia, on the 20th of May, has been is-
sued by S. P. Moore, Surgeon General
of the Confederate Army, Hunter Mc-
Guire, S. J. Spaul, and many other
prominent medical gentlemen. We
copy the language of the call:

For the advancement of science—to
rescue from oblivion all the important
medical and surgical facts developed
within the armies of the "Confederate
States" during the late war—it has
been determined to call a Convention
of the "Confederate Surgeons," (field
and hospital) to meet in Atlanta, Ga.,
May 20, 1874.

Immediate action is considered ab-
solutely necessary: since the war,
many of the most talented of the med-
ical staff have died, and yearly others
are added to the list, and their valu-
able medical and surgical experience
entirely lost to the profession.

For the success of this great Sci-
entific and Historical Association, it is
earnestly recommended that the ex-
Confederate surgeons of each of the
Southern States at once take such steps
as will secure a large delegation.

The co-operation of the Medical staff
of the late Confederate Navy is re-
spectfully solicited.

