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The Voice of the Fair consists of 21 issues, 144 pages.
APRIL 27, 1865. (Thursday) [4 Pages]

Page 1:
“Our Boys are Coming Home” [A 48 line poem written by W.G., April 3, 1865.]
“The History of the Present Fair, Its Plan etc.” [2 column “history” of the organization of the fair.]
“Liberal Donations from Pittsburgh, PA.” [Letter dated 22 April, 1865 from E. Hosford to Mrs. Hoge and Mrs. Livermore giving the value of “subscriptions” and “donations” from Pittsburgh.]
“From Parson Brownlow.” [Letter dated 13 April, 1865 from W. G. Brownlow, Governor of Tennessee.]
“Transportation of Donations Free of Charge.” [Letter dated 22 April, 1865 from E. Hosford to Mrs. Hoge and Mrs. Livermore stating that “donations” from Pittsburgh will transported by rail free.]
“Pickings Up.” [21 items of misc. information, poetry, and news.]
“The Wind and the Weathercock.” [8 line poem from the United States Service Magazine, March.]

Page 2:
“Editor's Introductory.” [Statement by Editor Andrew Shuman of acceptance of editorship.]
“Hear Us for Our Cause.” [Mission statement as “the organ, advocate, and record of the forthcoming great North Western Sanitary Fair.” 5 paragraphs.]
“The President's Remains in Illinois.” [Description of planned reception of Lincoln's funeral train in Chicago and Springfield, IL. 3 paragraphs.]
“Donations For the Fair From Europe.” [Report from C. L Wilson, “Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence” detailing donations from Americans in Europe. 3 paragraphs.]
“Our Heading.” [Statement concerning engraving of the Fair’s “elegant heading.” 2 paragraphs.]
“Matrimonial.” [Request for a couple to be married in “the olden style” at the New England Farm House exhibit.]
“Trophies, Curiosities, Relics, Autographs, etc.” [Request for items for exhibition. 1/3 column.]
“To Our Merchants and Businessmen.” [Statement regarding advertising in the VOF. 1/5 column.]
“Honorary Officers.” [List of officers and committee members, and chairmen of the fair. 1 column.]
“The Wants of Our Disabled Soldiers.” [Statement from the Executive Committee regarding the “pressing” wants of “our suffering soldiers.”]

Page 3:
“Prospectus. The Plan and Objects of the 'Voice of the Fair.'” [Stated purpose for VOF newspaper.]

[Remainder of page is advertisements. Categories include: Dry Goods and Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes, Grocers & Commission Merchants, Miscellaneous, Musical.]

Page 4:
“Donations to the Fair. [Cash Receipts By The Northwestern Sanitary Fair, To April 22nd, Inclusive.”

[Includes “Donations From New York.”]
MAY 4, 1865. (Thursday) [4 pages]

Page 1:
“Remember Me” A Poem By Edward Everett. [8 stanza poem]
“A Startling Scene in Church.” [An excerpt from Headley's “Chaplains of the Revolution.”]
“How to Escape Danger. By a Careful Observer.” [Mention of Sec. Of State Seward in the context of what to do when in a runaway carriage and how to properly jump out of one.]
“Mrs. Partington in a Perfume Store.” [Short story about a woman in a perfume store]
“All About Our Eyes.” By Dr. Dio Lewis [Article on the harmful effects of various reading situations]
“Boston Contribution.” [Re: iron-work contributions from Boston]
“To Merchants and Business Men.” [Request for advertising. $1.25 per square]
“In Short.” [One sentence news stories incl. notices for a fair for the benefit of orphans of freedmen in New Orleans, a “negro man” becoming a juror in Rhode Island, and a Dr. in Vt. silencing a Copperhead with a sticking plaster who had been expressing joy of Lincoln's death]
“An Anecdote of Barnum.” [Article from N.Y. Weekly Review concerning P.T. Barnum.]
“'Goin' To Do Something Drefful.” [“exclamations of an old colored woman” in Washington concerning the intransigence of Southerners. Sent by Mrs. Jane Swisshelm.]

Page 2:
“Our Soldiers and the Future.” [Editorial on “the object of the Great Northwestern Sanitary Fair . . to raise funds . . to meet the necessities of our disabled soldiers in the future.”]
“Preparations for the Great Event.” The Mammoth Fair Building Being Erected-Its Size, Dimensions, Etc.” [description of the construction of the “immense building in Dearborn Park for the Great sanitary Fair.”]
“The Tattered Flag of Veteran Regiment-A Good Record.” [Letter from Lt. Col. Peter Ege of the 34th Illinois Regt. stating he is mailing the “banner” carried by the regiment in the charge at Jonesboro, GA, and the Atlanta, “Georgia,”and Carolina campaigns. A summary of the campaign history of the regiment follows.]
“Receipts of Donations” [List of donations with sending location, amount, and value “For Northwestern Sanitary for the Week Ending April 29, 1865.”]
“Donations for the Fair From Europe.” [Includes autographs from famous Europeans.]
“Donations for the Fair.” [Cash received for the week ending April 29th by “Department.” Totals obscured by binding. Contact museum for amounts. In the “Universalist Department” there is a mention of H. A. Newberry, Kenosha, WI.]

Page 3: [Page consists of advertisements.]

Page 4:
“The Latest War News.” [10 stanza poem.]
“President Lincoln.” [Portrait of Lincoln from the Northern Whig of Belfast, Ireland.]
“Army of the American Eagle.” [A plan by Alfred L. Sewell to raise money for the fair by having children sell an “album picture in oil” of “Old Abe,” the mascot of the 8th Wis. Inf. Included in the article is a history of the eagle in the 8th Wis. written by a “officer of the regiment.”]
“Honorary Officers.” [List including Maj. Gen. Joseph Hooker, various governors and senators. Long list of all positions including “Corresponding Secretaries” includes Mrs. D. P. Livermore.]

“The Wants of Our Disabled Soldiers.” [Statement of the Executive committee of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair to the public. Same as April 27.]

“Prospectus. The Plan and Objects of the “Voice of the Fair.”” [Statement by the “Committee” to “make arrangements for the publication of a Fair paper” naming “The Voice of the Fair” as the “organ of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair” and naming Andrew Shuman of the Evening Journal as the editor.]
MAY 11, 1865. (Thursday) [4 pages]

Page 1:
“A Poem By Mrs. Akers.” [5 stanza poem]
“What Some People Have Believed.” [Misc. descriptions of various religious beliefs.]
“Irritability.” [Essay on irritability as a “sin of the flesh.”]
“From Switzerland. Letter From the United States Minister at the Swiss Capital.” [Letter from Geo. G. Fogg about him unable to secure donations and donating $100 himself.]
“Our Fair in Colorado.” [Article from the Rocky Mountain Daily News on the Fair.]
“An Old Saw Newly Set.” [1 stanza poem by Jno. G. Saxe.]
“Selected Miscellany.” [Small notices of misc. medical and social issues.]

Page 2:
“Be Friends in Need.” [Editorial by Shuman concerning need for funds to “properly” care for the “disabled veterans” and for the “Soldier’s Home.”]
“What’s the Use?” [Editorial on the need to “keep up our solders' aid and sanitary organizations.”]
“Photograph of President Lincoln, With His Autograph Signature.” [A pre-war photograph of Lincoln donated by Richard Edwards of St. Louis who started the bidding at $1,000]
“A Chance For Gallantry.” [A “Lady's Dressing Case” donated from London to give “our gallants” a way to show their “admiration” by bidding on it. Valued at $1,000]
“The Union 'As It Should.'” [Article about the cooperation between the Sanitary Commission and the Christian Commission detailing the divide of donations between them and the solders' Home.]
“The Presidential Chicago Funeral Arch.” [“Catafalco and Immortelles to be Exhibited at the” Fair.]
“Fair Play.” [Misc. Comments about the Fair or news.]
“Northwestern Sanitary Fair. Appeal of Mrs. General William T. Sherman.” [In third person.]
“Contributions For The Fair.” [List of contributions.]
“The Address and speeches of President Lincoln.” [Announcement of a collection of Lincoln's speeches to be compiled by Rev. Dr. Humphrey.]
“A Sentiment From a Boston Scholar.” [Letter from Richard H. Dana Jr., April 29,1865. Interesting.]
“A Sentiment by Bishop McIlvane.” [A prayer by the Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio.]

Page 3: [Page consists of advertisements.]

Page 4:
“Acknowledgments By the Treasurer of the Fair.” [Receipts of the Fair for the week ending May 6]
“Donations For the Fair from Europe.” [List of donations]
“Donations For the Fair from California.” [List of donations]
MAY 11, 1865. (Page 4, continued)

“**The Wants of Our Soldiers.**” [The Executive committee's statement that “the wants of our soldiers or more pressing now than at any time during the war, and the means to relieve them within the control of the Sanitary Commission are less adequate.” Same as April 27.]

“**To Merchants and Business Men.**” [Request for advertising. $1.25 per square]

[Remainder of page consists of advertisements.]
MAY 18, 1865. (Thursday) [4 pages]

Page 1:
“Working for the Fair.” [3 stanza poem from the *N.W. Christian Advocate*.]
“A Story of the War.” [The story of Jerry Fallon, a veteran of a Michigan regiment “Written For the Voice of the Fair”]
“Jottings for Summer.” [An article of advice “Satirical and otherwise” for those preparing to visit the country during the hotter months” from *Hall’s Journal of Health*.]
“A Notoriety of Middle Temple.” [An account from the *London Court Journal* of a “queer female personage, who lately died.”]
“A Poem By Trowbridge.” [1 stanza poem by J.T. Trowbridge.]
“From J.T, Headley, the Author.” [Letter from Headley donating an autograph of William Beattie.]
“From Horace Greeley.” [Letter from Greeley dated 7 May about sending a half dozen photographs.]
“Odds and Ends.” [Misc. articles; most of which are humorous.]

Page 2:
“About Some ‘Queer People’ Here and There.” [Editorial by Shuman on “tough customers” who do not support the Fair.]
“Donations for the Fair From Denmark.” [Description of items sent by Geo. p. Hansen, U.S. Consul in Denmark.]
“Magnificent Art Gallery of the Coming Fair.” [Description of some of the artists and sculptors having works in a “fireproof” gallery being constructed for the Fair.]
“Prices of Admission to the Fair.” [Schedule of admission prices ranging from .10 to $5]
“Magnificent Pistols for the Fair.” [Description of two side-loading Slocum revolvers by the *Brooklyn Arms Co.*]
“Donations for the Fair From Europe.” [Sent from Belfast, Ireland and by US Consuls in London and Bristol.]
“A Great Fair Memorial.” [Notice of “bronze medal manufactured” to “commemorate” the Fair.]
[Misc. notices including the building of a pond in for a “representation of the engagement between the union ‘Monitor’ and the rebel steamer ‘Merrimac.’]
“The Wants of Disabled Soldiers.” [The Executive committee’s statement that “the wants of our soldiers or more pressing now than at any time during the war, and the means to relieve them within the control of the Sanitary Commission are less adequate.” Same as April 27.]
“To Merchants and Business Men.” [Request for advertising. $1.25 per square. Same as previous.]

Page 3: [Page consists of advertisements.]

Page 4:
“Curious and Amusing.” [Misc. short articles about art and fashion.]
“Donations Acknowledged by the Treasurer of the Northwestern Sanitary Commission.” [List of donors and amounts.]
“List of Packages.” [List deliveries with description of contents and value.]
“Donations For the Fair Colorado Territory.” [List of copper and gold contributions.]

[Remainder of page consists of advertisements.]
MAY 25, 1865. (Thursday) [4pages]

Page 1:
“Poem by David Paul Brown.” [A 10 stanza poem by David Paul Brown of Philadelphia.]
“An Indian Love Story.” [Strange story of an South Asian “Indian” king and a village girl.]
“Good Letter From the Governor of Michigan.” [Long letter by Henry H. Crapo, Governor.]
“Letter From the Governor of New York.” [Short letter by R.E.Fenton, Governor.]
“Letter From the Governor of Rhode Island.” [James, Y. Smith, Governor.]
“Letter from Hon. Leslie Combs.” [Sending 6 photographs and noting “mercy” is twice blessed.]
“Letter from Daniel S. Dickinson.” [Commenting on Jeff Davis being captured in “woman's clothes.”]
“Sentiment From Gov. Yates.” [Statement mentioning Abraham Lincoln.]
“A Soldier's Aid society on the Revolution.” [Copy of a letter from Gen. Washington to the daughter of Ben Franklin, Mrs. Bache.]
“A Soldier's Gift.” [Description of a “unique and curiously constructed picture frame made by soldiers at the Armory hospital in Washington D.C.”]
“Contributions For The Fair From Italy.” [Letter from E. C. Larned detailing contributions from Rome by Americans and “Friends.”]
“Answers to Questions About the Fair.” [Response to questions by T. B. Bryan, Pres. Of the Executive Committee of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair.]

Page 2:
“Opening of the Great Fair, and All About It.” [Editorial by Shuman describing the imminent opening of the Fair which “promises to be a grand carnival of beauty, patriotism and magnificence.” Also a statement of the “Voice of the Fair” will be “issued daily” giving “a complete record of all its incidents and proceedings.”]
“Fair Play.” [A list of humorous aphorisms]
“Schedule of the Prices of tickets for the Fair.” [The “corrected schedule of prices” for Fair tickets.]
“The next column is a notice that Gen. W., T. Sherman and wife, Mrs. Linclon, Mrs. Douglas, Gen. Hooker, Gov. Oglesby “will be in Chicago during the Fair.”]
“Iron, Steel, and Hardware Contributions to the Fair.” [Short list of donations.]
“Donations For the Fair From California.” [Letter from J.H. Chapin from San Francisco describing donations to the Fair which includes “gold and silver ores, bark of the 'Big Trees,' made into pincushions” and canes and 100 photographs “of one of the Big Tree Groves.”]
“Donations For the Fair From Providence R I.” [List of articles sent to the Fair by D.W. Ives.]
“Donations Received by the Wholesale Grover's Committee.” [List of articles.]

Page 3: [Page consists of advertisements.]

Page 4:
“My Heavenly Bird.” [A 4 stanza poem.]
“Donations to the Arms, Trophies, Autograph, Photograph, and Curiosities Department.” [List of donations including “a deed in the hand of President Lincoln and signed by him as Commissioner of the Circuit Court,” from J.M. Lynch, Quartermaster General of Wisconsin, 56 flags, and from Gov. Lewis of Wisconsin “one large iron slave collar.”]
“Donations Acknowledged.” [List of donations with values.]
“Donations to the Book Committee of the Fair.” [List of donations with values.]
“Receipts of Donations for the North-Western Sanitary Fair.” [Long list of donations with values.]
[Remainder of page consists of advertisements.]
MAY 30, 1865. (Tuesday) [8 pages] [Opening day of the fair.]

Page 1:
“**The Mayflowers.**” [A 9 stanza poem by John G. Whittier.]

“**The Great Fair. Its Whereabouts-What May Be seen, and Tasted, and Enjoyed.**” [Almost a full page of description of the different exhibits at the Fair. Concludes with a description of a parade with dignitaries and VRC troops.]

“**The Great Northwestern Fair.**” [Schedule of the opening of the fair and “The Inaugural Ceremonies.”]

Page 2:
“**The Reconstruction of Southern Churches. Results Thus Far Obtained**” [Description of the state of various denominations. Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists and Congregationalists, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Other Religious Denominations, Colored Churches (in the South).]

Page 3:
“**Farewell and Welcome.**” [A 2 stanza poem.]

“**A Dog Story.**” [An anonymous story.]

“**Deaf As a Post.**” [A humorous story concerning Maria Theresa.]

“**How Men Should Treat Women.**” [A paragraph on the topic paraphrasing a “Persian poet.”]

“**World-Making**” [An article on the formation of the sun, the earth, and the moon.]

“**A Village of Houris.**” [A story of a visit to the village of Seroda, in India, “inhabited by a remarkable race of women.”]

“**The Painter and the Poet.**” [An account of a chance meeting between the painter Joshua Reynolds and the poet Pope.]

“**White Lies.**” [An essay on the topic using an example.]

Page 4:
“**The Great Fair**” [Editor Shuman on the Fair opening.. “Prepare to be astonished and captivated.”]

“**Mr. Lincoln's old Log Cabin and Razor for the Fair.**” [An article on the old “Log Cabin” in which Lincoln studied law in 1830 and a razor that “the late President shaved with it often” that were to be sent to the Fair.]

“**Gatherings.**” [Misc. short pieces including a statement by a “contraband” on “how bloodhounds sent in pursuit of fugitives may be thrown off the track.”]

“**Law of Love.**” [An essay on “thoughtfulness and consideration.”]

“**A Secret For the Ladies. By Jenny June (Mrs. Crowley)**” [Essay on women “who cannot grow old;” the result of having a “sunny temper.”]

“**Who Wants to Marry.**” [Notice of the availability of the “Old New England Farmhouse” at the “Soldiers' Rest” for weddings done in “good old fashions.”]

“**A Dying Man's Donation.**” [Story of a man dying of “consumption” in Iowa donating a gold watch.]

“**An Iowa Farm of 100 Acres Donated to the Fair.**” [Notice of a 160 acre farm in Harrison county Iowa up for auction at the Fair.]

“**Additional Donations to the Wine and Liquor Department-collected by Bennett Pieters.**” [List of donations with dollar amounts]
MAY 30, 1865. (continued)

Page 5:
“Our Returning Heroes.” [Article written by Horace Greeley.]
“How Perfumery Is Made From Flowers.” [An unsigned article on the subject. Below is an article entitled “An East Indian Paradise” from “Cameron's Tropical Possessions in Malayan India.”]
“Splendid Gift From Prof. Goldwin Smith, of England.” [Donation of a painting by Briton Riviere]
“Send Provisions.” [Request for cooked provisions to “help the soldiers through the Fair.”]
“Interesting to Ladies.” [Short, humorous, sayings.]
“Breakfast and Dinner at the Fair.” [Article on the “delicacies” and “substantials” at the Fair.]
“Antiquarian Discovery.” [Article about the dating of “Pompey's Pillar” (also known as the “Pillar of Diocletion”) in Alexandria, Egypt.]
“What To Read.” [Article indicating what people should read if the are “deficient.”]

Page 6:
“How to Have Good Servants.” [An article from Chamber's Journal of London.]
“The Grave of the Beloved.” [A sentimental essay of being at the grave “of those we have loved.”]
“Humps and Humpbacked Persons.” [An article on the “monography” of humpbacks in the world.]
“Fashion Criticisms.” [Article from the Bath, NY Courier.]
“Good Templars.” [Listing of “Good Templars” lodges in Chicago and their meetings.]

[Remainder of page consists of advertisements.]

Page 7: [Page consists of advertisements.]

Page 8: [Page consists of advertisements.]
MAY 31, 1865. (Wednesday) [8 pages]

Page 1:
“The Arsenal.” [A 12 stanza poem by Henry W. Longfellow.]
“The Returning Armies.” [Article encouraging people to “lend a helping hand” to returning veterans.]
“Philosophy and Fashion.” [Article on the lack of influence of philosophy on fashion. Below is the article “A Word on Clocks;” detailing Charles de Wick building a clock for Charles V in 1364.]
“How a Lunatic Asylum Was 'Inspected.'” [A humorous story of an inspection of an asylum.]

Page 2:
“Grand Opening Ceremonies.” [Article on the “splendid procession” and the “Inaugural speech.”]
“Poem.” [Long poem by T. Buchanan Reed.]
“Hymn.” [7 stanza poem by Oliver Wendel Holmes.]

Page 3: [Continuation of description of the opening ceremonies.]
“Fair Correspondence.” [11 letters addressed to George S. Bowen from around the country.]

Page 4:
“The Opening of the Great Fair.” [Article on the “noble Fair.”]
“Eating Arrangements.” [Desc. Of the the Fair Restaurant.]
“Grand Dramatic Entertainment.” [Desc. of one of the “grandest entertainments ever witnessed in this country.”]
“Amateur Dramatic Entertainment.” [Desc. “amateur artistes” performing at Crosby's Opera House.]
“Notes of the Fair Buildings.” [Desc of the horticultural building by Florence.]
“Interesting to the Unmarried Visitors to the Fair.” [Desc of a “truthful fortuneteller” by Florence.]
“Dr. Tiffany on Fast Day.” [Notice of a eulogy of Lincoln by Dr. Tiffany of Chicago.]
“Donations From the Tremont.” [Notice of donation by Gage & Drake proprietors of the Tremont.]
“The New England Festival.” [Notice encouraging people to get married at the Fair.]
“To Our Literary Friends.” [Request by editor Shuman for “good literary contributions.”]

Page 5:
“For the Ladies.” [Article on hats, bonnets, and dresses.]
“Wit Under Difficulty.” [Humorous anecdote related to “Hohenlinden” by Thomas Campbell.]
“Funny Names.” [Humorous article on names.]
“Contributions to the Sanitary Fair.” [Desc. of donations to the fair followed by lists of names.]

Page 6:
“Nemo Repente Turpissimus.” [1 stanza poem.]
“How Persons Living in Large Houses Can Dispense With Hired Help.” [An article from the NY Tribune concerning a Mr. W. Henry Burr who “invented a simple, but ingenious contrivance.”]
“Baron Liebig's Soup for Children.” [Article with a formula for a substitute for mother's milk.]
“A Proclamation. More Volunteers Wanted—An Appeal for the Union.” [A call for two “volunteers” to get married in “the olden style” in the New England Farm House.]
“Schedule of the Prices of Tickets for the Fair.” [The “corrected schedule of prices for Fair tickets.”]
[Remainder of page consists of advertisements.]

Page 7: [Page consists of advertisements.]
June 1, 1865. (Thursday) [8 pages]

Page 1:
“Proverbs for Weddings.” [1 stanza poem.]
“Personal Recollections of President Lincoln.” [An account of a conversation with Lincoln by Col. Charles G. Halpine [Miles O’Reilly] in the Fall 1862 regarding Lincoln’s practice of meeting with citizens in the White House which Lincoln called “public opinion baths.” They also talked about the lack of security regarding possible assassination. Lincoln felt it unlikely because he didn’t think “the Richmond people would like to have Hannibal Hamlin here any better than myself.” Lincoln felt this was worth an insurance on his life worth “half the prairie land of Illinois.” In addition, Lincoln felt that if a plot existed “no vigilance could keep them out.”]
“Victor Cousin.” [A story about the French philosopher at a dinner party in Paris.]
“The Story of the Jasmine.” [Article on the flower Jasmine.]

Page 2:
“The Great Fair. An Immense Success. Thousands of Persons Present.” [Article of “Description of Departments and Objects of Interest.” Takes up most of the page.]
“Fast Day at the Fair.” [Notice, the Fair will close at 2 pm and the poor allowed in at 25 cents each.]
“General Grant.” [Notice of Gen. Grant, “the largest animal of the bovine species ever known.”]

Page 3:
“To the Brave and the Fair.” [One stanza poem by “Drawde.”]
“Devils.” [An account of mass “diabolical possession” in Europe.]
“Language.” [An article on new words and phrases entering English.]
“Letter From Artemus Ward.” [A letter from the “great showman” about striking “ile” (sic “oil”).]
“Wit on Tombstones.” [Article on “wit” gathered from tombstones.]
“Writing in Albums” [Humorous accounts of unsuccessful social interaction.]

Page 4:
“No “Voice” Tomorrow.” [Announcement that the paper will not be issued the following day because this day is a day of “national fasting, humiliation, and prayer.”]
“The Opening.” [Editorial on the opening days of the fair.]
“Charity.” [An ode to “charity.”]
“Ice Cream and Coffee.” [Poetic notice of “strawberries and cream.”] [Beneath are notices of “40,000 troops” coming to Chicago to be mustered out and that “Gen. Sherman and family are expected in Chicago, the last of this week, to attend the Fair.”]
“Directory for the Fair—the Buildings etc.” [Detailed description of the buildings and “departments.”]
“New England Farm House.” [Desc. of the “most unique, quaint, comical, feature of the Fair.” included is a menu of the food service.]
“Musical and Theatrical Gossip. American Operatic Artists.” [Article about “operatic artists” with a notice that “Laure Keene and company are in Louisville playing Our American Cousin.”]

Page 5:
“List of Packages Received at the Rooms of the Sanitary Commission, on Account of Sanitary Fair. For the Week Ending May 27, 1865” [A list indicating place of origin and addressee.]
“Not at Home.” [And essay on the meaning and use of the phrase.]
“A Startling Fact.” [NOT BOLD - Article announcing 82 "marriageable girls" in Monroe Michigan.]
June 1, 1865. (continued)

Page 6:
“Report of the Chairmen on the Committee on Sewing Machines.” [Report of donations]
“Personal Gossip.” [mention of Jeff Davis soon having “a trial;” Gen. Sherman to be put in command of the Division of the Mississippi;” Description of Col Pritchard, the captor of Jeff Davis.”]
“Letter From hon. Chas. V. Dyer.” [Donation from Dyer (who lives in Rome) of $100.]

[Remainder of page consists of advertisements.]

Page 7: [Page consists of advertisements.] [Includes add for engravings of “Union Portraits.”]

Page 8: [Page consists of advertisements.]
June 3, 1865. (Saturday) [8 pages]

Page 1:
“The World Harvest” [a 7 stanza poem.]
“More Anecdotes of Mr. Lincoln. His Storytelling Propensities and Reminiscences.” [article by the artist Carpenter” published in the Independent. It includes references to the “Petroleum V. Naseby Letters,” “His Interview with the Rebel Peace Commissioners”[which includes a reference to slavery], and “A Story of Andrew Johnson.”

“About Authors and Books.” [Article about “old periodicals” dying and new ones “being born” as well other misc, information.]

“President Lincoln's Musical Taste.” [Article from May of the New York Musical Pioneer.]

“A Lesson for the Romantic. Advertising for a Wife and What Came of It.” [Article from the Toronto Leader which gives the “details” of a failed “matrimonial romance.” Includes an account of Charles Dickens making a speech concerning Mr. Reuter the great “telegraph man.”]

Page 2:
“The Great Sanitary Fair.” [“Descriptions of the Departments Continued.” which occupies the page. Included is a notice that “Gov. Morton and wife, of Indiana, are in the city and stopping at the residence of Mr. E. Gregg on Wabash Ave.”]

Page 3:
“Additional Donations to the Department of Relics, Curiosities, etc.” [List of donations. Includes a “rebel flag which was on the State House in Columbia, S.C.” from Gen. Wm. T. Sherman. From Mrs. M.E. Steel, “books used by Gen. Sherman,” his Col.'s shoulder strap worn at Bull Run and a photograph of Sherman's staff at Shiloh.”]

“Art Sketches No. 1” [Desc. of “the picture gallery at the Fair.” Includes a description of a painting entitled “Rocky Mountains” by “Rienstadt.” From the detailed description in the VOF, the painting appears to be Albert Bierstadt's “Rocky Mountains” which had previously been exhibited at the 1864 Sanitary Commission Fair in New York.]

“Artemus Ward Again Heard From.” [He Writith an Epistle to the 'Voice of the Fair' from Richmond, VA”-dated May 18 & 65. Ward mentions Gens. Grant and Halleck and discusses Jeff Davis,”“R. Lee,” “The Confederate Army,” and “A Proud and Hawty Sutherner.”]

Page 4:
“Fair Gossip.” [Misc. notices about Fair events including “Gen. Grant and wife will be here some time” at the Fair and the “magnificent” painting of the Rocky Mountains by “Bierstadt.”]

“The Lincoln Cabin.” [“the original log cabin” built in 1830 by Lincoln and John and Dennis Hanks “from the farm formerly owned by Thomas Lincoln.”]

“A Prize Sword.” [Donated sword to go to a”most popular general” as determined by vote. Mentions Grant, Sherman, Logan and Schofield.”]

“The Lincoln Tables.” [Table made by Mr. Glass of Wisconsin with portraits of Lincoln, Johnson, Grant, and Butler to be presented to Mrs. Lincoln during the Fair.]

“The Hall of Arms and Relics.”[Article about the “large hall . . . filled with wonders.” Also mentions the “Fine Art Hall, filled with splendid oil paintings.”]

“The Substantials.” [Article on the “west wing” of the hall displaying “machinery of labor.”]
**June 3, 1865. (Page 4, cont.)**

“Little Paradise.” [Article on a garden in the “Horticultural Hall.” Includes a description of soldiers from the “10th Regiment, just from the front” being greeted at the Iowa Department and the publication of a history of Camp Douglas by Rev. E. B. Tuttle who spent three years “among the prisoners.” Also, “Granny Jeff . . . in her underdressparade . . . creating a . . . furore.”]

“A Great Day on the 9th of June.” [Article marking the 4th anniversary of the USSC.]

“From the Young Ladies of Farmington.” [Notice of donation of $110. Below is a notice of a “Live Indian Exhibition.” [Mentions five Chippewa “braves” from Minnesota offering to perform a “grand war dance exhibition.” Notes that they are “full of scars received in their battles with the Sioux last year.”]

“The Monitor and the Merrimac.” [Short notice stating “Crowds assemble to witness the battles between these monsters . . .three times each day.”]

Page 5:

“Bryan Hall.” [Includes “Catafalque.” Desc. of Lincoln's catafalque at the Fair. Also “Jeff Davis” which is a mannequin of Davis in women's which clothing can be viewed for 25 cents.]

“The End of the War.” [Sec. Of War Stanton “informed the country officially on saturday evening that the last army of the Rebellion had surrendered.” Article on the ending of the “Rebellion.”]

“Men find Their Own Level.” by “Gen Hamilton.” [Article on “coarseness.”]

“Bits of Things.” [Humorous notices on various subjects including Dickens and London fashion.]

Page 6:

[List of “contributions” to the Fair from the Chairmen of the Committee on Gas Fitting.]

“The Emancipation Proclamation Before the Cabinet.” [Announcement of Carpenter “picture” with life-size portraits of Lincoln, and cabinet at McVicker's Theatre 66 Madison, St.]

“Fair Refreshments.” [Description of the type of refreshment's that could be had at four locations at the Fair; includes Berries, Ices, Cakes, Coffee, and “Regular Meals.”]

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Page 1:
“Stream Forth O Tears.” [8 stanza poem by Mrs. Lucy H. Hooper.]
“Gossip From Europe.” [Article mentioning Emperor Louis Napoleon, the Empress, Mexico, Japanese painting, Robert Browning.]
“The Adulteration of Wine. How 'Fine Old Sherry' and Champagne are Made.” [From “Chambers' Journal.”]
“Our Antipodes.” [Article on how Japan is the opposite of the U.S.- Parody? Satire?]

Page 2:
“Agnostic.” [2 Stanza poem.]
“Horticultural Hall.” [2 ½ columns describing the contents of the hall.]
“Additional Donations to the Department of Relics, Curiosities, etc.” [List of donated articles. Includes autographed letter from George Washington.]
“Donations From Rome.” [Donations from US Consul at Rome.]
“Gen. Sherman at the Fair.” [Announcement that Sherman would visit the Fair within a few days.]
“List of Articles Contributed by the Brown School.” [List of items donated.]
“Contributions.” [List of items donated including a crayon portrait and autographed photo of Lincoln. Includes a notice of high attendance at the Fair and that receipts “approximate $100,000.”]

Page 3:
“Bryan Hall.” [Description of museum-like artifacts in the hall.]
“Fair Directory.” [Locations of Fair halls and sights incl. Lincoln's cabin and Jeff Davis in costume.]
“The Great Sanitary Fair. Description of the Departments Continued.” [Desc. of Fair departments.]

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” [Includes “Fair Gossip.”]
“Coming to the Fair.” [Letter from “Sea Foam” about a family coming to the fair.]
“Sight-Seeing in New York.” by Ginger Knapp. [Article about going to NYC.]

Page 5:
“An Allapodria. [This consists of “Longevity.”(The obituary of Ruth Lincoln of Mass. Died age 101 from the American Obituary from the American Almanac is in 1842.) “About the Temperature of the Lower Strata of the Air.” [Article on how “the lower strata of air is affected by the radiation of the earth . . .], and “Incrusted Lead Pipes.” (Article concerning lead pipes as “injurious to health.”)]
“British Air and Temper.” [Article on “the temper of the people” and the “smooth . . . island air.”]
“The Little Cup of Tears.” [A “North German legend” from “Thorpe's Yuletide Stories.”]
“Eager For a Trade.” [Article about a stutterer. Below it, is a a news piece from “a late Court Journal” that “Mr. Jefferson Davis” is expected to arrive in Paris but that he “has another engagement, which will preclude the possibility of his being in Paris this summer.”]
“The Doctor and His Patient.” [Humorous story of a doctor and a depressed patient.]
“Gatherings.” [Misc. short humorous anecdotes.]
“Mother and the Dropcakes.” [A sentimental story of a mother and family.]
“The Cricket.” [Article on “the curious little insect.”]
June 5, 1865. (continued)

Page 6:
“Donations For the Fair.” [Report of the Committee of “Notions, Toys, and Fancy Goods.” Beneath is a mention of Carpenter’s “Emancipation Proclamation Before the Cabinet” on exhibit at McVicker’s Theatre.]

“Fair Refreshments.” [Description of the type of refreshments that could be had at four locations at the Fair; includes Berries, Ices, Cakes, Coffee, and “Regular Meals.”]

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Page 1:
“**The Village Bell**” [8 stanza poem by Rambler.]
“**Only a Private.**” [Prose poem by Mary J. Allen.]
“**Jeff Davis and Aaron Burr.**” [Announcement of indictment against Jefferson Davis for treason.]
“**Which Was the Gentleman?**” [Article by “C.A.C.H” concerning, class, manners, and right of way.]
“**The Forge of Imagination.**” [Article about capital punishment carried by making the condemned think they were bleeding to death, when they were not.]
“**The Merciful North.**” [Editorial (?) “The people of the north are singularly free from malice or revenge.” “Public safety requires the punishment of the official head of the rebellion.”]

Page 2:
“**The Great Sanitary Fair.**” [Detailed description of different the departments of the Fair which includes one from Janesville, Wisconsin.]
“**Friends of Progress.**” [Refreshments may be purchased at “Mechanic's Hall.” Below is a notice about “Lincoln's Log Cabin.”]
“**Bryan Hall.**” [Mentions a portrait of Col. Hill of the 95th Illinois and the tent “Granny Jeff.” which exhibits Jefferson Davis in women's clothing.]

Page 3:
“**Flowers.**” [Article calling on participants in the Fair to donate cut flowers to this department.]
“**The Emancipation Proclamation Before the Cabinet.**” [Announcement of Carpenter “picture” with life-size portraits of Lincoln, and cabinet at McVicker's Theatre 66 Madison, St.]
“**Additional Articles Received at the Arms and Trophies.**” [Includes a donation of “two silver half dollars” by Mrs. Deborah Carr of Million, Rock County, Wisconsin, an invalid widow, 70 years of age, from her “scanty store as her contribution to the soldiers of the Union.” Also a “genuine Lincoln rail,” a pipe made at Andersonville, GA, and autographs of famous persons.
“**General Grant's Horse Presented to Mrs. Gen. Sherman For the Fair.**” [Letter by E.A. Duncan, Staff surgeon to Gen. Sherman indicating that Gen. Grant gave the horse he used while Col. “of the Illinois regiment” to Mrs. Sherman for the Fair.]
“**Ages of Modern Statesmen.**” [Article detailing the ages of well-known politicians.]

Page 4:
“**Voice of the Fair.**” [Includes “Fair Gossip” and a statement that Gen. And Mrs. Grant will be at the fair before it closes.- Gov. Morton of Indiana, who had been at the fair, has returned to Indianapolis. “It is now expected that Gen. Sherman will be here on Wednesday evening.” Mentions “homeless and helpless veterans.”]
“**Entertainment-Literary and Musical.**” [Details of “an entertainment” given at Crosby's Opera House by performers from Grand Rapids, Michigan.]
“**A Prize Sword.**” [Donated sword to go to the “most popular general” by vote. Mentions Grant, Sherman, Logan and Schofield.]
“**A Fair Directory.**” [Directory with locations, and prices.]
“**Pairing Bee.**” [Announcement of a grand “Pairing Bee” at the New England Farmhouse in which apples will be paired, quartered, cored, and strung “in the most orthodox style.”]
June 6, 1865. (continued)

Page 5:
“The Border Heroine.” [A story of a married mother in Arkansas who kills two robbers.]
“Litter Ary Contributions by A. Ward, Jr. About Ile, Poetry, the Rebelyun, and Jeff Davis.”
[Written in a colloquial way.]

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June 7, 1865. (Wednesday) [8 pages]

Page 1:
“Battle Pictures.” [Large poem by W. H. C. Hosmer.]
“The Grand Soiree of the Shoddy Family.” [Story of a “Shoddy soiree.” Unclear if this is fiction?]
“The Original Squeers.” [Account of a “gentlemanly Englishman” about Dickens’ real “Squeers.”]
“Taxation in Turkey.” [A correspondent from the Free Press writes about onerous taxation in Turkey.]

Page 2:
“The Great Sanitary Fair. Descriptions of Departments Continued.” [Includes a description of “the Old War Eagle” from the 8th Wisconsin Vol. Inf.”Old Abe” which was at the Fair.]
“Art Sketches No.2” [Description of the art gallery including “Leutzes’ “Departure of Columbus.”]
“Donations to the Baptist Department.” [List of donations.]
“Gen. Sherman On His Way To the Fair.” [Report of Sherman, wife, son and staff changing trains in Buffalo on their way to Chicago.]
“Bryan Hall.” [Notice that this “temple” contains all the “arms” and “trophies.” Below is an article about Maj. Gen. “Fighting Joe” Hooker (the “hero of Lookout Mountain”) attending the Fair the previous evening.
“Waterfalls.” [Article by the Concord Monitor's Boston correspondent on women's head coverings.]

Page 3:
“The New England Farmhouse.” [Detailed description of “one of the best arranged and most pleasing features of the Fair.”]
“Dogs in the Manger.” [An essay on “meanness” calling on people to have “generosity in purpose.”]
“Reading For the Women.” [A collection of short notices tailored to women that include one about a “number of ladies of Paris” who have formed an association for the purpose of collecting clothes and linen for the enfranchised slaves in the U.S.]

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.” Mentions that Gen. W. T. Sherman is expected at the Fair the next day. Gen. Hooker, the president of the Fair is in Chicago. “The daily papers of Chicago deserve the thanks of the Fair for making so full and creditable report of it.” Announcement that Gen. And Mrs. Grant “will certainly be in Chicago next saturday.”]
“What the City Papers Say.” [Article with excerpts from the daily Chicago newspapers.]
“New England Farmhouse. No More Half Price to the Aids.” [Notice of rescinding the half-price meals for aids on “duty.”]
“Donation.” [Notice of a $200 donation by Mr. Charles L Noble.]

Page 5:
“The Latest Style.” [2 stanza poem.]
“Fact and Fiction.” [An essay on literary criticism]
“Want to Stay in the Union.” [Article on “Indignant Rebels” . . . “disposed to live” in the US.]
“The Deacon's Nose.” [A humorous story]
“A Courtier Outwitting a Tailor.” [A story about a courtier and tailor during the reign of Louis XIV.]
“Influence of Females.” [Essay on the positive influence “female society” on men.]
“More Taxes.” [Humorous suggestions on things to tax.]
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“General Sherman.” [9 stanza poem “Written on the expected arrival” of Gen. Sherman at the Fair.]
“Song.” [A 4 stanza poem by W. H. C. Hosmer.]
“An Empress on Duty.” [Article on Princess Eugenie acting as regent of France while the Emperor goes to Algiers.]
“Garden and Household.” [Long article on how to do a vegetable garden.]
“General Grant's House in Philadelphia.” [A description of the house “presented” to Grant.]
“Evidences of Insanity.” [Article that the criminal defense of Payne, “the assassin of the Seward family” will be that he is “insane.”]

Page 2:
“The Great Sanitary Fair. Descriptions of Departments Continued.” [Includes “Emancipation Proclamation,” a facsimile lithograph for sale of the document “by which millions of men held in bondage were made free.” “. . . it should be printed in letters of gold and hung on the horns of the moon, that the whole universe might read it and rejoice.”]
“Bryan Hall.” [Detailed descriptions of what is in the hall “a spot of unrivaled splendor.”]
“Gen. Sherman in the City. Grand Reception.” [“Gen. Sherman arrived last evening in the eleven 'o'clock train. A grand reception will be given to him to-morrow between eleven and twelve o'clock A.M. at Union Hall.”]

Page 3:
“Contributions and Donations to the Catholic Department of the Fair.” [Describes donation and donor. Examples are a “portrait of Gen. Sherman” by G.P.A. Healy, sisters, brother and nurse of a volunteer in the 72nd Reg. of Illinois, Vols. Who died on the way to Vicksburg, and a handsome silver lunch set to be presented to Mrs. Sherman (and a dinner set to Mrs. Douglas) by the Women's Relief Association of Brooklyn, New York.]
“Contributions to the Cigar and Tobacco Department.” [Lists donation and donor. $1, 500 value.]
“List of Packages Received for Michigan Department.” [Lists donation and donor.]
“Bloodhound.” [Notice of a bloodhound in “the west wing” that was kept at Castle Thunder in Richmond to guard Union Prisoners. The notice states that the dog is a fine specimen of “chivalry” . . . “He is evidently trained for 'hunting niggers' and is as interesting as an illustration of the humanity and piety of the 'peculiar institution.'”]
“Donations to the Leather Department.” [Lists donation, donor, and value.]
“Jewelry Department of the Fair” [Lists donation, donor, and value.]
“Raffling for Valuable Prizes.” [Description of items to be raffled by the Catholic Department including “Gen. Grant's warhorse, presented to Mrs. Gen. Sherman by Gen. Grant for the Fair-valued at $1,000; shares $5 each.”]
“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items, donor, and value.]
“New England Farm House.” [Notice from “the Ladies of the New England Farm House” that they can no longer serve “aids” “on duty” meals at half price.]
June 8, 1865. (cont.)

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.”) [Editorial stating that the Fair has placed $140,000 “in the hands of the treasurer.” Notice that “the report that Gen. Sheridan would attend the Fair was a mistake.” Gen. Hooker . . . who is the President of the Fair . . . “is the lion of the occasion just now” and “one of the favorite generals of the great Union Army, and everybody admires the gallant and good looking officer.”

“Where the Fair Money Goes.” [Letter from the President of the Northwestern Sanitary Fair detailing how the proceeds from the Fair will be spent. One example was the spending of $12,000 in May on returning prisoners from Andersonville.]

“Maj. General Hooker.” [Article about the “hero of Lookout Mountain” who had been presented with a sword by the citizens of San Francisco worth $6,000.]

“For Mrs. General Grant.” [Description of a flag quilt made by “teachers and scholars” of the Cass Union School in Detroit to be given to Mr. Gen. Grant “by means of dollar subscriptions.”]

“To Gallant Young Men.” [Notice of a $1,000 dressing case to be given to the woman at the Fair who is voted “the most beautiful lady in Chicago.”]

“The Original Lincoln Cabin.” [Article about “the original Lincoln Cabin” built in Macon county Illinois in 1830 by Lincoln and John and Dennis Hanks is now on exhibition near the corner of Randolph Street and Wabash Avenue. Includes a notice that Gen. Sherman “arrived in this city last evening, and will this morning be present at the Fair.”]

Page 5:
“Jas. E. Murdock and the Fair.” [Article from the Lebanon, Ohio Star about James E. Murdock has donated fifty copies of his book “Patriotism in Prose and Poetry.” Below is a brief notice about how “President Johnson is admirably fitted for the business duties of his office.”]

“Gen. Sherman in New York.” [Article about Gen. Sherman in New York prior to his arrival in Chicago. He relates an anecdote about how the 15th Corps (Logan's) adopted its corps badge.]

“Virginia.” [Article about an address by Gov. Pierpont. “Forgive and forget should be the motto.”

“The Dante Celebration at Florence.” [Article about celebration of Dante in Florence on 3-4 May.]

“A Grand Pyrotechnic Display on Friday.” [Notice that on Friday the 4th anniversary of the USSC will be celebrated by “one of the grandest pyrotechnic displays ever witnessed in the country.”]

“The Prince of Wales and the Fair.” [A printing of a letter from the Prince of Wales.]

“Gov. Yates at the Fair.” [Notice that former governor and current Senator Richard Yates is at the Fair. A notice that a painting of John Brown's grave by Chicago artist H. C. Ford is for sale.]
June 9, 1865. (Friday) [8 pages]

Page 1:

“Old Abe the War Eagle.” [6 stanza poem by W.H.C. Hosmer]

“An Adventure.” [A story of inappropriate, accidental love.]

“The Rebels and Texas.” [An article from “a late London paper” about Texans in England hoping that Texas may still be able allowed to “sever its connection with the Union” and “Become a home for exiles from the other Southern states.”]

“Cathartics and Crime.” [Article referring to Lincoln assassins “Harrold,” Atzerott, and Payne and which humorously links “constipation and conspiracy.”]

“Mr. Cary O’Laners on Family Affairs.” [Humorous essay on the subject.]

“How Parisian Ladies Dress.” [An article on the subject from the London Telegraph.]

Page 2:

“Here and There Through Union Hall.” [Notices of interest including M. Healy’s painting of Gen. Sherman and “several cases of pocket picking.”]

“New Arrivals From Michigan.” [Notice of a “fine lot” of donated “oil paintings and crayons.”]

“Bryan Hall.” [Desc. of items including weapons and ammunition from the Arsenal in Washington.]

“Miss Hosmer’s Statue of Zenobia.” [Notice of Harriet Hosmer’s statue, “undoubtedly the finest work of art ever brought to this country,” on display in Bryan Hall. It is unclear if the statue is the 1857 bust “Zenobia, Queen of Palmyra” or the 1859 “Zenobia in Chains.” Given the lavish praise it seems most likely that it is the later.]

“The Influence of Exhibitions in Improving the Taste of the People.” [Article on the subject.]

“Donations to the Fair.” [List of items and their value.]

“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items.]

Page 3:

“Gen. Sherman at the Fair-Grand Ovation.” [Desc. of arrival of Sherman at Union Hall to “thundering applause.” Speech by Mayor of Chicago, John B. Rice, followed by the poem . . .]

“Welcome Sherman.” [9 stanza poem by Geo. C. Bates and then a speech by Sherman in which he refers to “the men of Chicago” and “instead of destroying, we must build up.”]

“Donations to the Fair.” [List of packages received by origin]

“Donations Received by A. M. Lewis for the Chairman of the Committee on Wool and Woolen Manufactures.” [List of donor and value.]

“Donations to the Fair.” [List of donor and value.]

“A Splendid Donation.” [Donation of a scrapbook of portraits of “nearly all the men and women mentioned in English history” by Mrs. Charles K. Burtes.]

“New England Farm House. No more half price to ‘aids.” [Notice from “the Ladies of the New England Farm House” that they can no longer serve “aids” “on duty” meals at half price.]
June 9, 1865. (cont.)

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.”) [Short notices by the editor Andrew Shuman including notices that “Gen. Grant will reach Chicago at noon tomorrow,” an autograph book to be presented to Mrs. Grant, one about Sherman’s “enthusiastic reception” the day before, and another that he went to the New England Farm House.]
“The Heroine of Tennessee.” [Two letters about Fannie M. Courtney known for the “noble part she acted at the battle of Franklin;” one by Gen. Geo. H. Thomas.]
“Courtin.” [Gossip about romance at the New England Farm House.]
“General Sherman at Bryan Hall.” [Notice that Sherman will visit Bryan Hall at 11 o’clock.]
“The Assassin’s Fame.” [Notice about the painting by P. Fisher Reed.]

Page 5:
“The Algerian Ladies.” [A story by George Augustus Sala. Half the page.]
“Jacob Selwyn’s Wife Epitaph.” [Story about a woman named “Sarah.”]
“Musical Gossip.” [Article from an “English paper” and response about a “musical party.”]

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Page 1:
“Shenandoah Valley.” [Long 5 stanza poem by W.H. C. Hosmer.]
“The Soldier’s Love.” [10 stanza poem by George Cooper from United States Service Magazine.]
“A Dream.” [An account of a dream about a “concourse of people.”]
“The South and Her People.” [Essay on the “anomalous and extraordinary condition” of the south.]
“Sherman’s Men.” [Essay on “Sherman’s men.”]
“Texas.” [The condition of Texas and the need to “send a pretty large force” to “preserve order” and “guard the Mexican frontier.”]

Page 2:
“The Great Fair. Description of the Machinery in the West Hall.” []
“Art Sketches No.3.” [On the paintings including Bierstadt’s.]
“Acknowledgments From Floral Department.” [List of donors and donations.]
“Donations to the Fair.” [List of donors and donations.]

Page 3:
“Miss Harriet Hosmer’s Statue of Zenobia.” [Interesting essay on art in America and the statue.]
“General Sherman.” [Article on Sherman’s reception at the Fair similar to “Cesarean Triumphs.”]
“Lincoln Tables.” [Description of the tables as “the most marvelous articles of handiwork.”]
“Anniversary Services of the Sanitary Commission.” [Account of the anniversary services.]

Page 4:
“A Prodigy.” [On Dudley Wallar “the most wonderful oratorical prodigy in the world” at the Fair.]
“Gen. Grant Coming.” [Notice that Lieut. Gen. Grant, “the first man of the age,” will “arrive in the city to-day at half-past twelve, and during the afternoon will be received at ‘Union Hall’”]
“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items, donor, and value.]
“Senator. Yates at the Farm House.” [Report of Yates and Mrs. Sherman dining at the Farm House.]
“Schemmerhorn vs. Snob.” [Article on Sgt. Schemmerhorn of the 127th Ill. Inf.; one of the “heroes of the war” paralyzed during an assault on Vicksburg and his interaction with a “snob” who told him there were “country poor houses for such as you.” Editorial criticizing the snob and noting that “the poor sergeant has lost his spine; you have lost your soul, if you ever had one.”]

Page 5:
“My Flower, My Lamb, My Star.” [8 stanza poem by Love M. Willis.]
“Natural History of Babies.” [Humorous essay on babies.]
“Paragraphs.” [Humorous aphorisms.]
“Dickens as a Reporter.” [A speech by Charles Dickens to the Newspaper Press Fund in London.]

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June 12, 1865. (Monday) [8 pages]

Page 1:
“**In Peace.**” [6 stanza poem.]
“**No!**” [4 stanza poem.]
“**Our Soldiers.**” [Essay on “our heroes.”]
“**The End of the War.**” [Essay on the “unceremonious closing of our temple of Janus” and the “Union will be stronger, more harmonious and more glorious than it has ever been.”]
“**About the Future of the Union.**” [Essay on the “work of pacification.”]

Page 2:
“**The Great Fair.**” [Descriptions of “Washing Machines and Wringers,” a biography of Lincoln by a Mr. Crosby donated to the Fair, and the “Photographic Department.”]
“**Bryan Hall.**” [Major Hosford, who “captured the rebel chieftain” Davis presented a piece of the “original shawl” worn by Davis at his capture to be put on display.]
“**Donations to the Fair.**” [List of items and their value.]
“**Splendid Autograph Album.**” [Notice of a donated autograph album by Mrs. Marcus Spring of New York valued at $1,000]
“**Gen. Sherman at the Farm House.**” [Brief account of Gen. Sherman dinning at the Farm House.]
“**American Statuary at the Irish International Exhibition.**” [Report of an article in *The London Times* about the mentioning of two American sculptors, [Harriet] Hosmer’s “Sleeping Faun and Satyr” and Mr. [William Whetmore] Story’s “Judith.”]

Page 3:
“**Reception of Lieut. Gen’l Grant. Grand Ovation. Union Hall Packed. Ten Thousand Persons Present.**” [Account of the arrival of Grant and subsequent activities. Grant, introduced by General Hooker to “most abounded applause, which continued for several minutes,” stepped forward and said “Gentlemen and Ladies, as I have never made a speech myself I will ask Gov. Yates, of Illinois, to return the thanks which I should fail to express.” Grant then “stepped back amid loud cheers and Gov. Yates came forward.” Yates briefly recounted Grant’s career and took the honor of “having commissioned” Grant. Gen. Sherman was there as well as their two wives. After Yates’ speech Sherman was “loudly called for” and “stepped forward” and said “Ladies and Gentlemen, I am here to-day to listen; I am not going to make any speech whatever-always ready, always willing, always proud, I was willing to do anything the Lieut. General asked me to do, and I know he never asked me to make a speech.” (Cheers and laughter). Gen. Grant then said “I never asked a soldier to do anything I could do myself (Renewed laughter). ‘Rally round the flag’ was then sung by the choir, the vast audience joining in the chorus. Mrs. Grant was then called for and came forward amid cheering and waving of handkerchiefs. Mrs. Sherman also received the same indications of favor.” . . . “It is impossible to convey an idea of the enthusiasm manifested on this occasion; it will never be forgotten while the heroic deeds of the gallant General shall be remembered by a grateful nation.]
“**Donations to the Fair.**” [List of items and their value.]
“**List of Donations to the Farm House.**” [List of donors and items.]
“**The Thumbs as an Index of Characters.**” [Art. *On the Psychomy of the Thumb* by A. M. Beamish.]
June 12, 1865, (cont.)

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.”) [Notices of Fair events including receipts of $200, 000 Grant as “the lion of the Fair” who will visit Bryan Hall in the “forenoon” and the Main Hall in the afternoon at 3’ o’clock; Gen. Sherman is “still one of the regular visitors of the Fair.” Statement of the great friendship and respect between Grant and Sherman. Notice of the bands of the 8th and 15th Regs. Veteran corps from camp Douglas alternating and providing music “from the gallery of the main hall, afternoon and evening, and pickpockets.”]

“Errata.” [“Some ludicrous blunders creep occasionally into our columns.”]

“Floral Hall.” [Brief article on “Floral Hall.”]

“Correction.” [George S. Bowen is the chairman of dry goods etc. not Boon.]

“Donations to Miscellaneous Departments.” [List of donors and donations.]

“Additional Contributions to the Jewelry Department” [List of donors and donations.]

“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items.]

“Fears of Returning Soldiers.” [Some fear returning veterans as “a terror and a curse to society.”]

Page 5:

“The Texan Expedition.” [Article on the “military expedition destined for Texas.”]

“Washington’s Grave-Homage Paid By Our Soldiers.” [Account of troops under Gen. Logan marching “through the tomb, countermarched, . . . into the main road.”]

“British Tenderness.” [Article on “Our British brethren . . . sorely exercised” over the proclamation of President Johnson offering a $100,000 reward for the arrest of Jeff Davis.]

“Fillibusterism.” [Article on “young men . . . led astray . . . by the Mexican Emigration scheme.”]

“Facts and Fancies.” [Misc. observations including “thousands of our disbanded soldiers will remain in the South . . . waiting to go into business.”]

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“Grant.” [Poem by W.H.C. Hosmer.]

“Emblems of Liberty.” [Poem by P. Fishe Reed.]

“Gradatim.” [Poem by J.G. Holland (“Timothy Titcomb”)]

“Our Late President. Interesting Reminiscences by a French Writer.” [Report of an article in *Revue des Deux Mondes* by M. Auguste Langel who “had several opportunities of seeing the late President.”]

“Singular Occurrence at West Point.” [An extract from a private letter dated May 22 describing lightning striking soldiers.]

“The Returning Soldiers.” [Article on how to support returning soldiers.]

**Page 2:**

“General Grant on Monday.” [Detailed account of Grant’s reception at the Fair on Sat. June 10th, at church on Sunday June 11th, and again at the Fair on Monday June 12th, for a public reception at Bryan Hall. After being introduced by Judge. J. B. Bradwell “in a most felicitous manner.” “Grant bowed and said, ‘Ladies and Gentlemen: I never make speeches, but am deeply grateful for the honor you bestow upon me. (Great applause and long cheering). After being introduced to all who could crowd around him, and paying a brief visit to the Art Gallery, the General retired, followed, as usual, by a large throng.” Afterward, there is a description of Grant visiting the Board of Trade and returning to the Fair, entering Union Hall. “The following was his speech, as taken by a shorthand reporter: “---------------- “This speech is certified to be genuine and accurate-*verbatim et literatim*, et any other *tim* in the latin vocabulary.” Grant then went to the New England Farm House where he “stuck a butcher knife into a huge squash, the seeds from which are now on sale for five cents each.” Then there is a notice that “This morning he leaves for Washington. Having completed a triumphal ovation such as Caesar, in all his glory, was never honored with. God bless the Hero of the war!”]

“Gen. Grant at Jacob’s Well.” [Notice that Grant, Sherman, and their staffs visited it on sat. evening.]

“Musical Choir.” [Notice of a donation of a “musical choir” made of mahogany and valued at $200. It is to be sold and the proceeds donated to the Fair. Misspelling of “chair?” See next day.]

“The Coins of the Fair.” [Essay on the subject by George Upton.]

“New England Farm House.” [Notice the the price of a dinner is raised to $1. “Every evening some novel and interesting feature will be introduced.”]

“Coming Home.” [Account of the 110th Illinois Inf. Returning the day before and received at Union Hall and greeted with “cheers, clapping of hands, and waving of Hankerchiefs.” There were speeches and the singing of Rally Round the Flag and the Star Spangled Banner.]

**Page 3:**

“Bryan Hall.” [A description of “this depository of arms.”]

“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items.]

“Here and There Through Union Hall.” [Descriptions of “Changes, Attractions, and New Features” and includes a notice of “five live Indians from Minnesota.”]

“Our Colored Soldiers.” [Positive article about “their valorous deeds.”]

“Welcome.” [Report of the arrival of the 88th and 89th Illinois Infantry arriving “last night.”]
“Board of Trade Regiment” will be “received at the board of trade today.”]

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Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” [Misc. accounts including some about Gen. Grant's “warm reception” at the Fair, a report that Mrs. Grant “made” Gen. Grant come to the Fair, how she and Mrs. Sherman looked at the Fair, and Gen. Sherman with his eight year old son “Tommy.”]
“Senator Yates.” [Article on “the glorious Dick Yates.”]
“Reception of Gen. Hooker and Senator Yates.” [Notice of reception of Hooker and Yates at Brian Hall that day.]
“Gems of Art.” [Article about “the Ruggles of Gems;” a collection of paintings by Mr Ruggles of New York owned by Mr. Fry. On exhibit in the West Wing of Union Hall.]
“T. Buchanan Read.” [A “brief sketch” of the life of this “eminent gentleman.”]
“Garibaldi on the War-The Relations Between England and the United States.” [A translated letter from Garibaldi on the subject printed in the London Public Opinion. Garibaldi supports the “North Americans” and the restoration “of the great Republic.”]

Page 5:
“America in Europe.” [Essay (editorial?) on “the immense effect upon Europe which the triumphant vindication of democracy in the United States is destined to have is already making itself signally apparent.”]
“Marrying A Corpse.” [Article about a woman marrying a dead man for religious reasons.]
“The Atlantic Cable.” [Article from the London Telegraph about “preparations onboard the Great Eastern for laying the ocean telegraph cable.”]
“Facts and Fancies.” [a collection of puns and humorous statements.]

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“A Kind Wish.” [1 stanza poem by “Drawer.”]
“A Patriotic Hymn.” [4 stanza poem by Oliver Wendell Holmes.]
“Slander—What It Is and How It Operates.” [An essay with reference to Wm. Henry Herbert.]
“The Soldiers at Home.” [Essay on soldiers returning “to the pursuits of peaceful life.”]

Page 2:
“Reception of Senator Yates.” [Account of the reception of Yates the previous day.]
“Agricultural Implements and Manufactures.” [“A Full List of Donations” with donor and value.]

Page 3:
“Our Returned Soldiers. Reception of Three Regiments at Union Hall.” [Article on the reception of three regiments at Union Hall the previous day; the 88th, or 2nd Board of Trade Regiment; the 89th, or Railway Regiment; and the 90th, or Irish Legion. The 24th Ohio Battery fired a salute.]
“Prizes.” [Description of prizes.]
“The irrepressible enthusiasm of Gen. Grant's reception in Chicago, is only equaled by his unaffected modesty in receiving so magnificent an demonstration.”]
“Gen. Grant on Horseback.” [Article of a steel engraving of Grant on horseback by Geo. Perrine to be presented to Mrs. Grant. Afterward is a report that Gen. Grant and others visited Zenobia.]
“Musical Chair.” [Notice of a donation of a “musical chair” made of mahogany and valued at $200. It is to be sold and the proceeds donated to the Fair.]
“Donations to the Fair.” [List of donors and amount.]
“Musical.” [Report of pleasant piano playing in Bryan Hall by Madame Pattiona.]

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.”) [Editorial about the success and possible closing of the Fair. Mention of Sherman and his family as “lions” of the Fair and town. Also, “Some of the soldiers, rough, tough, and a little reckless, occasionally frighten the ladies attending the booths, by their unreserved exercise of free speech when passing though the Fair. But there is no occasion for alarm. These bronzed and toughened heroes are brave men, and the truly brave never intentionally insult the ladies. They have been outside the refining influences of women’s society for so long that they are perhaps a little more blunt and uncouth now than formerly, . . . “Report on the voting for the “gold mounted pistol.” Sheridan is in the lead, with Sherman next and Grant third.]

“New England Farm House.” [Notice the the price of a dinner is raised to $1. “All the distinguished guests of the Fair dine here.” Mentions Sherman, Hooker, Logan, and Yates.]
“A Splendid Engraving.” [Notice of subscription for an engraving of Carpenter's painting “President Lincoln and Cabinet.” On display is Lincoln's autograph among others.]
“The Prince of Wales and Our Fair.” [Reprint of an article from the Albany Evening Journal reporting that the Prince of Wales refused to make a donation to the Fair.]
“List of Donations to Farm House.” [List of donors and donations.]
“Facts and Fancies.” [Humorous aphorisms.]

June 14, 1865. (cont.)

Page 5:
“The Music of Childhood.” [8 stanza poem by Jean Ingelow.]
“The Battle of Franklin. Letter of Miss Fannie Courtney” [Very interesting first-hand account of the battle by a civilian. Takes up two and a half columns.]
“Summer Hegira.” [Article on the “annual hegira from the cities countryward.”]

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“Fashions For June.” [Article on women's fashion.]
“Hints For Housekeepers.” [Article on castor oil, removing warts, and remedy for croup.]
“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items.]
“Donations to the Fair.” [List of donors and amount.]
“Donations from Switzerland.” [List of donated items from the daughter of the US Consul in Geneva.]

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June 15, 1865. (Thursday) [8 pages]
Page 1:
“The City Bell.” [8 stanza poem by “Rambler.”]
“Margery.” [Story of a little girl who dies.]
“Curious Facts From Savage Life.” [Article that states women in “savage” families “expects to be ill-treated as a matter of course.”]
“A Youthful Marriage.” [Article about the impromptu marriage of two young British aristocratic girls.]
“About Sleep.” [Article on the importance and necessity of sleep.]

Page 2:
“Here and There Through Union Hall. Attractions Not Previously Mentioned.” [Article reporting on misc. things at the Fair including a life-size painting of Sec. Of State Seward by “Mr. Leutze,” robberies, and the reception of the 96th Regiment the Previous morning in Union Hall.]

Page 3:
“Donations to the Fair.” [List of packages donated and donor location.]
“Art Sketches No. 4.” [Provides paragraph size descriptions of various paintings on exhibit.]

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.”) [Notices of misc. events the Fair. Includes attendance by Cong. E. B. Washburne of Ill, article about the “young ladies” who kissed Grant on Monday morning. Afterward, Grant was heard to say “that beat the siege of Vicksburg out of sight.” Also a story of Grant kissing a girl on the forehead. “It is, by this unaffected modesty and uniform kindness of disposition and conduct that the hero wins the love as he has done the admiration of the country.”]
“Valuable Prizes Drawn.” [List of numbers drawn and prizes in the Jewelers Dept.]
“Floral Department Donations.” [List of donors and donations.]
“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items.]

Page 5:
“Our Soldiers Welcome Home.” [4 stanza poem by George Bungay.]
“Sights and Society Abroad.” [A “spicy letter” by an American in England.]
“Grant’s Letter About his Horse “Jack.” [May 31, 1865 letter from Grant to Mrs. Ellen Sherman detailing Grant's ownership and use of his horse “Jack” from July 3, 1861 to March 1864. Grant “rode the horse more than all other put together.”]
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“Musical and Theatrical.” [Notices about European opera and orchestral music.]
“The Love of the Poets.” [Article about the fact that “many distinguished poets have been bachelors.”]

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June 16, 1865. (Friday) [8 pages]

Page 1:
“My Old Comrade.” [4 stanza poem by Wm. H. C. Hosmer.]
“Rush of the Million.” [7 stanza poem by Prof. T.E. Howard of Notre Dame.]
“A Poetical Rebel Prisoner.” [Excerpt from the Lowell, Mass Courier with the poetry of Confederate prisoner from Johnson Island in Lake Erie.]
“Foreign Travel.” [Article on the increasing “number of passengers from this country to Great Britain and the continent.”]
“The Memory of the Maid of Orleans.” [Article about the city of Orleans, France celebrating the the 435th anniversary of the deliverance by Joan of Arc.”]
“Queen Elizabeth's Toothache.” [Retelling of a toothache by Elizabeth I from Miss Agnes Strickland's Lives of the Queens of England.]

Page 2:
“Bryan Hall.” [Article on the collection of military artifacts at the hall including the pistol worn by Jefferson Davis on the morning of his capture, a slave auction block, and the pistols used on the Hamilton-Burr duel.
“Articles to be Disposed of by Vote, Or Ticket, Or Raffle, And their Valuations.” [List of items.]
“List of Articles to Be Raffled.” [List of articles including sewing machines, furniture, and clothing.]
“Report of Horticultural Dept. of Fair.” [List of donors and donations.]
“A Strong Expression.” [A humorous anecdote.]
“Donations to the Sewing Machine Department.” [List of donors and donations.]
“Donations to the Boot and Shoe Department.” [List of donors and donations.]

Page 3:
“Effects of the War on Population.” [Article on the subject.]
“The Musical Raffle.” [Announcement of selling tickets for a raffle for musical instruments.]
“Mr. Naseby Has A Vision.” [Humorous story in dialect English by Petroleum V. Naseby.]
“Who was Jephthah?” [Humorous story about the sculptor Mr. Augur of New Haven, CN.]
“Prizes Drawn.” [List of prize-winners and prizes.]
“Reception of the Seventy-Fifth.” [Amateur Entertainment.” [Letter announcing a donation of $506 by Crosby's Opera House.]

Page 4:
“Voice of the Fair.” “To Our Readers.” [Notice that the paper will shift from daily publication to twice weekly. “The chief object . . . of the paper was to make it the medium through which to acknowledge donations and contributions, and to report the proceedings and progress of the Fair, and . . . give . . . such a variety of fresh and readable literary and miscellaneous matter as to make it desirable and valuable as a family paper.”]
“Fair Gossip.” [Misc. notices including Fair receipts totaling $230,000, Gen. Grant purchased four votes each for Sherman and Sheridan in the $500 sword contest, the “original Message to Congress of President Lincoln approving the act abolishing slavery in the District of Columbia, the “boys in blue” buying “store clothes” after getting mustered out, the daily attendance of
Mrs. Gen. Sherman, the “chief” of the Catholic department, and Mrs. Livermore and Hoge “do not seem to know what it is to get tired.”

“Picnicing.” [Article on the subject.]


“For Mrs. General Grant.” [Article of a “magnificent quilt” to be presented to Mrs. Grant.]

Page 5:

“Our New House.” [Story of a man who buys the house he and his wife have been renting.]

“Latest Paris Style of Headdressing.” [“A Parisian writer” writes on the latest “fashions in hair.”]

“Donations.” [List of donors and amount.]

“Grant's Passion For Smoking.” [Excerpt from the June issue of Harper's Magazine on Grant's smoking. It states Grant is “an inveterate smoker” and “smokes with the listless, absorbed, and satisfied air of an opium smoker, . . . Grant never smokes dramatically. . . . His cigar is a necessary part of himself, and is neither assumed nor abandoned for state occasions.”]

“Varieties.” [short, humorous anecdotes or aphorisms.]

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“Letter From New York.” [Letter to Mrs. Gen. Sherman from five “Catholic clergymen” reporting a donation of $507 and refers to the war as a “holy war” waged to uphold “the principle of obedience to civil law,” and the “removal of a gigantic wrong.”]

“Marriage of Miss Stowe.” [Excerpt from the Hartford Times reporting the marriage of the youngest daughter of Harriet Beecher Stowe in Hartford, CN.]

“Donations to the Fair.” [List of donors, locations, and amounts.]

“The Baby House.” [Description of “a great baby house in Union Hall . . . one of the great objects of attraction” is to be raffled.]

“Children's Playthings.” [Article on how a “slender apparatus for amusement is found to be enough.]

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“Sheridan's Ride.” [Excerpt from the New York Tribune in which Bayard Taylor presents a 7 stanza poem written by Thomas Buchanan Read.]

“Inconveniences of Greatness.” [Article on “inconveniences attached to human greatness.”]

“Fault-finding With Children.” [Article by Harriet Beecher Stowe from the Atlantic Monthly on children being “hurt by indiscriminate, thoughtless fault-finding than any other one thing.”]

“White Mountain Gossip.” [Article from the Boston Transcript on travel to the White Mountains.

“Oil On the Brain-Corry O'Lanus At the Oil Regions.” [Humorous article on the Penn. oil boom.]

“Death of Mrs. Sigourney.” [Report of the death of the poet Mrs. Lydia Hunt Sigourney]

“Too Much Mother.” [A paragraph by Artemus Ward complaining that “our ballad writers put to much mother in their melodies.”]

“Fac Simile of a Letter By Rufus Choate.”  [article about the horrible handwriting of the “celebrated lawyer and orator of Boston” a some of which there is a facsimile that is for sale at the Fair.]

Page 2:
“Voice of the Fair.” (Includes “Fair Gossip.” ) [Notice that the “day exhibitions of the great Fair closed yesterday” but “the evening exhibitions will continue until the end of this week, when the Fair will formally close. . . . Gen. Sherman formally took his leave of us on Sunday night. . . . The General's presence and his wife's efforts have added vastly to the Fair's success. . . .12,000 veteran soldiers who have 'returned from the wars' have been admitted to the Fair, . . .”]

“Resume of the Fair.” [Description of the “marvelous attractions and brilliant enchantments” of the Fair, its various departments, and a comment on the reaction of returning regiments at the Fair.]

“Presentation.” [Foreman of the Voice of the Fair Sam Bolster is awarded a cane by his employees.]

Page 3:
“A Song of the Fly Season.” [An anonymous poem]

“The Rhine Maiden.” [A poem by Mrs. Amelia Edwards.]

“The Prince of Wales' Baby.” [Announcement that Princess Alexandria gave birth to her second son.]

“Giving Credit.” [Editorial complimenting the efforts of all the aids of the Fair.]

“Burnet's Floral Hand Book.” [Article on “Burnet's Floral Hand Book and Lady's Calendar” which became an “agreeable and interesting feature of the Fair.”]

“Correction.” [Article “with important corrections” about the “Western Knife Company.”]

“Donations Acknowledged.” [Acknowledgments of donations received for the Episcopal Department including some from Beloit, WI]

“Flowers Donated.” [List of donors and donations.]

“Children's Clothing Department.” [Notice of the work of J. M. Harvey and wife at the Fair.]

“Petroleum Gas in the Fair.” [Letter from the Petroleum Gas Company of Chicago detailing the benefits of petroleum gas which have “contributed largely . . . to the light of the west wing.”]

“Mothers.” [A prose ode to “the early influence of mother.”]

“Humor and Sentiment.” [Misc. pieces including two on Chinese tailors; one about them learning English and the other about their ingenious use of light at night. Also, the report of a new
religious section Hungary called the “Nazarenes” whose principle belief is “Debt is salvation.” The American people, the author writes “are believers in this principle.”


“The President and the Ohio Boy.” [Article about President Johnson receiving a 13 year old Pvt. G. Van Zant of the 79th Ohio who wanted to take a mule back home.]

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“Donations to the Fair.” [List of donors, donations, and locations.]

“Donations to the Retail Dry Goods Department.” [List of donors, donations, and locations.]

“Donations to Bryan Hall.” [List of donors, donations, and locations.]

“Valuable Prizes Drawn.” [List of prizes drawn in the Jeweler's Department.]

“Prizes Drawn.” [List of prizes drawn by ticket and winner.]

“Additional Donations to the Furniture Department of the Fair.” [List of donors and donations.]

“Donations of Confectionery.” [List of donors and donations.]

“Prizes.” [List of misc. prizes drawn.]