

charitable institutions so liberally sustained by the wealthy and benevolent, none is more worthy of support than this. The school will be free to all; yet it is expected of parents and guardians of children, who have the ability, to pay \$300 per annum; an allowance of \$250 for each pupil is provided for by Legislative enactment.

The Managers propose to receive all of suitable age to commence their education, and it is considered better to send the deaf mutes young, say five years old, as it is essential they should learn the Sign Language correctly at the commencement.

The Legislature of the State, at the session of 1863, passed an act submitting to the people of the State, an act authorizing the issue of State bonds to the amount of \$75,000 for the completion and furnishing of this institution. The question was decided in the affirmative by a large majority, and the coming year will witness, no doubt, the completion of one of the most praiseworthy undertakings on this coast.

Officers—President: Mrs. P. B. Clark; Vice President: Mrs. J. P. Whitney; Treasurer: Mrs. B. H. Randolph; Secretary: Mrs. O. C. Pratt.

ST. JOSEPH'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (R. C.)—Established 1860. The objects of this society are to extend assistance to each other in the time of sickness, by corporeal aid and spiritual consolation; for providing their deceased brethren with a decent and christian interment in accordance with their Holy Faith; for the relief of the families they may leave after them; as also for stimulating each other to a more constant observance of the duties of religion and the general promotion of moral and intellectual improvement.

Officers—President: Matthew McCluskey; Vice President: Michael Kane; Secretary: J. R. ... Chaplain: Rev. M. King; Treasurer: M. ... Meetings held third Sunday of each month in the basement of St. Mary's Cathedral. Number of members, 135.

ST. MARY'S LADIES' SOCIETY—Adjoining St. Mary's Hospital is St. Mary's Hall, a wooden building 60 by 30 feet, erected by the St. Mary's Ladies' Society for their meetings. St. Mary's Society, which was founded by the Sisters of Mercy, 1859, for the purpose of promoting piety among the Catholic females, has within the last year been converted into a Mutual Benevolent Society. Its numbers between five and six hundred members. The officers of the Society are selected from the Sisters of Mercy. Chaplain: Rev. Michael King.

SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY—Organized 1839. The object of this society is to support their sick countrymen, and to procure employment for those who are in want of it.

Officers—President: J. P. Schulthess; Vice President: P. A. Giannini; Treasurer: Alfred Borel; French Secretary: Ant. Borel; German Secretary: T. A. Fehmann; Physicians: A. Rottanzi, M.D., and Edw. Staub, M.D.; Collector: Peter Croce.

WAITERS' UNION BENEVOLENT SOCIETY—Organized July 2d, 1863. Meetings held at Metropolitan Hall the first and third Monday evening of each month. Number of members, 300. The object of this union is the maintenance of a fair rate of wages, the encouragement of good workmen, the prompt payment of their earnings, and to prevent all persons in their line of business from working for less than the established rates of wages; a charitable regard for the sick and disabled, and the burial of the dead.

Officers—President: James McKew; Vice President: Charles Whelan; Treasurer: Edward Phelan; Secretary: Cornelius McAleer.

Protective.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE—Rooms at Merchants' Exchange, 521 Clay Street. Organized April, 1850. Regular meetings 2d Tuesday of each month. Annual meeting for the election of officers in May.

Officers—President: James DeFremery; Vice Presidents: C. Adolphe Low, of C. A. Low & Co., and J. Y. Hallock, of J. Y. Hallock & Co.; Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarian: Wm. R. Wadsworth, Room 7, 402 Front Street, up stairs; Committee on Appeals from June 1, 1862, to May 31, 1863—President: James DeFremery; *ex officio* Chairman: Albert Dibble; Charles F. Lott of Dickson, DeWolfe & Co.; Jas. B. Roberts, of Roberts, Morrison & Co.; J. Friedlander: Wm. H. Stowell; Rodman Gibbons, of Rodman Gibbons & Co. Committee of Arbitration—Chairman to June 1, 1863: W. Frank Ladd, of C. W. Brooks & Co.; E. F. Stone, of Morgan, Stone & Co.; L. B. Benchley, of L. B. Benchley & Co.; N. Pierce, Agent Southern Packets: F. Castle, of Castle Brothers. Four members elected quarterly.

RATES OF COMMISSIONS, CHARGES, ETC.

[Revised and adopted October 13, 1857.]

SCHEDULE I.—Rates of Commission and Brokerage, to be Charged where no Express Agreement to the contrary Exists:

On purchase of stocks, bonds, and all kinds of securities, including the drawing of bills for payment of same.....	2½ per cent.
On sale of stocks, bonds, and all kinds of securities, including advances in bills and guarantee.....	2½ "
On purchase of gold, silver, gold dust, or platinum.....	1 "
On purchase of foreign exchange with indorsement.....	3½ "
On purchase of foreign exchange.....	1 "
On purchase of foreign exchange, when desired.....	2½ "
On sale of merchandise from domestic Atlantic ports, with 2½ per cent. guarantee.....	7½ "
On sale of merchandise from foreign ports, with guarantee.....	10 "
On goods received on consignment, and afterwards withdrawn, on invoice cost.....	2½ "
The receipt of the bill of lading to be considered equivalent to receipt of the goods.	
On purchase and shipment of merchandise with funds in hand, on cost and charges.....	5 "
On ditto without funds in hand, on cost and charges.....	7½ "
For collecting and remitting delayed or litigated accounts.....	10 "
For collecting freight by vessels from domestic Atlantic ports, on amount of freight list or charter party.....	2½ "
For collecting freight by vessels from foreign ports, on amount collected.....	5 "
For collecting general claims.....	5 "
For collecting the general average, on the first \$20,000, or any smaller amount.....	7½ "
Ditto on any excess over \$20,000.....	2½ "
For collecting and paying or remitting money from which no other commission is derived.....	2½ "
On purchase or sale of vessels.....	2½ "
For entering, clearing, and transacting ship's business, on vessels with cargo or passengers from foreign ports:	
On vessels under 200 tons register.....	\$ 50
of 200 to 300 tons register.....	100
of 300 to 500 tons register.....	150
over 500 tons register.....	200
on vessels from domestic Atlantic ports where no other commission is earned, according to tonnage.....	50 to 200
For disbursement of vessels by consignees with funds in hand.....	2½ per cent.
For ditto without funds in hand.....	5 "
For procuring freight or passengers.....	5 "
For chartering vessels, on amount of freight actual or estimated, to be considered as due when the charter parties are signed.....	5 "
But no charter to be considered binding till a memorandum, or one of the copies of the charter, has been signed.	
On giving bonds for vessels under attachment in litigated cases, on amount of liability.....	2½ "
For landing and reshipping goods from vessels in distress, on invoice value, or in its absence on market value.....	5 "