

Chester A. Arthur

The following brief biography of the man who is so near to the presidency, is taken from the Atlanta Constitution:

As to the birthplace of Chester Allan Arthur, there has been a dispute, which, during the late campaign, attained considerable importance. It is generally conceded, however, that he was born in Fairfield, Franklin county, Vermont, October 5, 1830. His father, William Arthur, was a Protestant Irishman. In America he became somewhat famous in the ministry of the Baptist church.

Young Arthur had good advantages in early life. At the age of eighteen he graduated at Union college and began to teach school. He ceased teaching and spent two years in the study of law at Ballston Springs. Again he taught school, until in 1851 he had \$500 with which he went to New York to practice law, entering the office of Erastus D. Culver, and was soon admitted to a partnership. In 1857 he went west, but soon returned to New York, and resumed the practice of his profession. His most notable case was the celebrated Lemmon suit, associated with Mr. Everts, in which the validity of the fugitive slave law in Virginia was destroyed.

His only service during the war, outside his profession, was for a brief period on the staff of General Hunt, in the Army of the Potomac, as inspector of New York troops in the field. Mr. Arthur's career in politics does not present any evidence of great ability in that department. He was a member of the Saratoga convention that founded the Republican party in New York. He figured conspicuously as a local politician in New York City, and in 1871 he was nominated by President Grant to be Collector of the Port of New York. This valuable position he held until July 12, 1878, when he was removed by President Hayes for alleged use of the office for political purposes. He returned to the practice of law as a member of the firm of Arthur, Phelps, Knewel & Ransom, in New York city. At Chicago Conkling secured the nomination for the vice presidency as a rebuke to the Hayes administration, and his career as the second official in the republic is considered as having been entirely under the supervision of his imperious friend. Recently he has been at Albany more than at New York, and has seemed more anxious to secure the re-election of Conkling than to serve the people who chose him for the high office he fills.

The Contest at Albany.

[New Orleans Times.]

In a reply to a question as to what effect the attempt to murder President Garfield would have on the contest at Albany, and on the Republican party, the venerable Thurlow Weed said: "I think it will affect the contest at Albany very decisively one way or the other. If the president survives his wounds there will be two friends of the administration elected as senators beyond a doubt. If Mr. Garfield dies, I think Mr. Conkling will have things pretty much his own way. I do not think he can be one of the senators himself—in fact, I feel pretty sure of that—but he will have great, almost controlling, influence through Arthur, if Arthur should be called on to assume the executive chair. On the other hand among its general effects, if President Garfield lives, it will seal the political fate of Mr. Conkling effectually, beyond the possibility of his recovery. With Garfield dead, Arthur would be president and Conkling would be supreme. Of course there would be great repugnance, even opposition to it. It would result in incalculable injury to the Republican party, and the Democratic party would profit by it. The Republican party would be practically demoralized. I cannot see how the material interests of the country would be seriously injured by Mr. Garfield's death. It would temporarily have a depressing effect, and stocks would be very sensitively acted on by it. But it could not turn back the great prosperity of the country or neutralize the great achievements of the treasury administration in reference to the public debt. That administration has given a forward impulse to our prosperity which cannot be overcome for years to come. I believe the business of the country, after a brief season of shock, would go on as usual. While I should also deplore very much seeing Gen. Arthur elevated to the presidency, I think, nevertheless, that the duties of the office would be honestly discharged by him. But I do not like the political association it would involve. I know Gen. Arthur intimately, and while I utterly disapprove of his course in Washington, and more recently at Albany, I have confidence in his official integrity. I trust to God that he may not come to the presidency; I sincerely hope he may not."

List of Jurors.

The following is a list of the jurors drawn to serve at the next session of our District Court, to be held on Monday, August 29, 1881:

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| Columbus B. Bilbo, | A. G. B. Havens, |
| Peter Platz, | Pierre McNeil, |
| Ignace Rodriguez, | James Andrus, |
| Zephirin Langley, | Wm. H. Rowe, |
| James H. Jackson, | Lawrence Chaney, |
| Valerien Michel, | Geo. D. Gilley, |
| Lewis A. Ford, | Honor Craver, |
| Jos. Corbello, | John W. Max, |
| Ones. Rover, jr., | Frank P. Gilley, |
| A. M. Lindsey, | Isaac McClelland, |
| S. W. B. Colvin, | Henry J. Moss, |
| A. B. Lindsey, | Walter R. Lyons, |
| J. J. Granger, | Ivan A. Perkins, |
| Simeon Collins, | D. E. Langley, |
| Walter S. Cole, | H. J. Chaney, |
| John Mier, | Chas. M. Drew, |
| G. W. Richardson, | W. L. Fairchild, |
| Jas. M. Reeves, | B. H. Harmon, |
| M. M. Massey, | James M. Lacey, |
| John Hagar, | Francois Hebert, jr., |
| Oscar S. Lyons, | Hiram Cole, |
| Charvey Barbe, | Lastie G. Guillory, |
| J. S. Derrough, | James Holland, |
| J. Goodman, sr., | Caspar Schindler, |
| John M. Reid, | Thos. J. Gordon. |

A Thanksgiving Day Recommended.

Columbus, Ohio, July 11.—Governor Foster has sent the following telegram to the Governors of the States and Territories:

Governor's Office, Columbus, Ohio, July 10, 1881. To H. M. Plaisted, Governor of Maine: Present indications strongly encourage hopes that the President will recover from the effects of the horrible attempt on his life. It must occur to all that it would be most fitting for the Governors of the several States and Territories to issue proclamations setting apart a day, to be generally agreed upon, for thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God for the blessed deliverance of our President and for this great evidence of His goodness to the Nation. If this suggestion meets your approbation permit me to name the Governors of New York, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Maryland and Ohio as a committee to fix upon a day to be observed. Please reply.

A Railroad Boom—Another Line to the Future City of the State.

[Special to the Galveston News.] Henderson, Texas, July 11.—There is a considerable boom in railroad matters in East Texas. Charters are being filed from Marshall to Sabine Pass by several companies, and a company is soon to be organized here, known as the Longview, Henderson and Sabine Pass Railroad Company. The charter and land donation were granted from this place to Center, Shelby county, by the Fourteenth Legislature, for either a broad or narrow gauge. It is yet uncertain whether the company will select the narrow or broad gauge system. If they organize under the narrow-gauge system the line will connect with the Brennon, Herndon and Douglass narrow gauges, south, and the Texas and St. Louis system at Pittsburg or Gilmer, north. Longview will be a point in the charter, making her a considerable railroad center. This line will penetrate the long leaf pine section in the south, and the flour region in the north. Sabine Pass is said by knowing ones here to be the coming city of the State.

The Burnside Estate—A Will Found.

[Special to the Galveston News.] New Orleans, July 11.—The will of the late John Burnside, the millionaire sugar planter, about which there has been so much speculation both here and in the North, was found to-day. It was dated April 28, 1857. The opinion prevails in some quarters that there is a later testament, but as a careful search failed to unearth it, the document discovered this afternoon will be admitted to probate to-morrow. The exact contents will not be known until that time, but what has been divulged by those present when the document was read creates genuine surprise. Persons who it was thought would get the bulk of the large fortune receive comparatively small sums. After these come smaller bequests to various charitable institutions in the city, and the vast bulk of the Burnside estate goes to Oliver Biernie, of Virginia, who is executor of the will and residuary legatee. Biernie was Burnside's original partner in business forty years ago, and it was in his father's employ that the millionaire started in life. The discovery of the will disposes of numerous claimants to relationship to the dead planter, who were springing up in all quarters upon the spread of the report that no such paper existed.

The First Bale of New Cotton.

[Special to the Galveston News.] Houston, Texas, July 11.—The first bale of new cotton, weighing 425 pounds, which was sold to-day at auction at the Cotton Exchange, brought \$425, one dollar a pound. The bidding was very brisk, and elicited considerable competition among cotton factors and others. The sale was started by Col. Jordan, of the Houston and Texas Central Railway, at 50 cents per pound, and was run up to \$425. F. Cargil bidding \$410, A. L. Steele \$415, Geo. L. Porter \$420 and A. Harris \$425, the winning bid. After the sale at the Cotton Exchange several baskets of champagne were opened and drank in honor of the occasion.

Many of our Confederate soldiers remember that gallant Frenchman, the Count de Polignac, who was at this Department during the war. He is now serving as Chief of Staff of the French expeditionary corps in Tunis, with the rank of Colonel. His name is closely connected with the memorable battle of Mansfield War seems to be the chief pleasure of his eventual career.—[Natchitoches Vindicator.]

The bridge now being constructed across Berwick's Bay will be something handsome. There will be nine spans, 158 feet apart; the drow span will be 270 feet on the Berwick side, on a pier of 70 piles. Each pier will contain 24 piles; over this a handsome structure of iron, 13 feet above the water—90 feet piles being driven in centre pier, 145 feet piling will be used for some of the piers.—[Morgan City Review.]

A Change to Vermilionville.

[Houston (Texas) Post.] Judge J. F. Crosby, vice president and general manager of the T. & N. O., has been called to New York to confer with Huntington, presumably upon some new arrangement to be made in the management of the consolidated line in which the T. & N. O. forms a link. It is feared that Judge Crosby will probably be removed from this city, if he be retained in the management under the new arrangement. Mr. Terry, of the T. & N. O., intimates that the headquarters of the new line will be removed to Vermilionville, the terminus of the Louisiana Western in Louisiana, from the fact that the laws of that State are more favorably disposed toward railroad enterprises.

The dog law goes in force from and after next Monday. All dogs found running at large without muzzles, after that day, will be either shot or poisoned.

We send a copy of the three first issues of the COMMERCIAL to a great many persons, in this and adjoining parishes, not knowing whether they will all wish to subscribe or not. We hope they will, and get others to do likewise. All who have not already subscribed, and who wish to do so, will please notify us as soon as possible, and forward the money with their names. All Postmasters are authorized to act as agents.

The best 5 cent cigar in town is to be found at the Post Office. Call for the "Jessie."

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining unclaimed in the Lake Charles Post Office, June 31, 1881.

- Ladies' List.**
Ewing, Melissa Mrs.
Foreman, Rosalia
Green, Carrie Mrs.
Hollbrooks, M. Z. Mrs.
Hollingsworth, A Virginia
Reeves, Ann Mary Mrs.
Reeves, Mary Mrs.
See, Mary Mrs.
Winfrey, Lidia Mrs. (Col).
- Gentlemen's List.**
Anderson, A.
Barros, W.
Batisse, Demonsville
Boswell, J.
Bailey, John
Clark, J. W.
Carb, J. B.
Dugas, Jules
Dassimbret, J.
Fruje, W. F.
Harris, Alfred
Hubbins, Louis
Hall, E.
Hes, H. S.
King, I. F.
Krouse, H. C.
Lee, W. S.
Lyons, C.
Mena, Jos.
Moold, Ed. F.
McGinnon, D. S.
O'Sullivan, D.
Pendleton, T. M.
Reeves, B.
Sander, George
Seal, James H.
Summers Thomas
Thomas, Jerry
Thompson, J. A.
Welsh, Albert
Williams & Pharr
White, J. S.

Andings, Martin
Blanger, Joe
Bart, Chas. J.
Ballard, W. L.
Campbell, B. F.
Cooper, Allen B.
Coopman, Lucien
Donovan, D. O.
Donahoe, D. W.
Dobbertin, F. A. cap.
Houston, John
Harrington, H. H.
Harper, Thos.
Jackson, G.
Kirkwood, Wm.
Lourie, J. S.
Lee, Henry
Moore, P. D.
Moss, Alzenith (col)
More, White Willie
Neal, James F.
Perkins, W. H.
Riley, J. W.
Richards, E. W.
Schindler, Charley
Slaydon, E. A.
Twomey, Wm.
Thompson, J.
Thompson, Geo. H.
Williams, A. Hiram
Wright, W. H.

Arrivals and Departures of Mails.

POST OFFICE, LAKE CHARLES, LA.
New Orleans, New Iberia, and all points East and North, arrive daily at 11:5 p. m., and leave daily at 3:30 a. m.
Galveston, Orange and the West, arrive daily at 3:5 a. m., and leave daily at 11:5 p. m.
Leesville, Sugar Town, Dry Creek, arrive Tuesdays and Saturdays at 7 p. m., leave Mondays and Thursdays at 6 a. m.
Cameron, Rose Bluff, Johnson's Bayou, arrive Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7 p. m., leave Mondays and Thursdays at 6 a. m.
Hickory Flat, arrive Tuesdays at 7 p. m., leave Mondays at 6 a. m.
W. H. HASKELL, P. M.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

GABRIEL A. FOURNET, Attorney at Law, Lake Charles, La., office formerly occupied by Louis Leveque, on Court House Square.
July 9, 1881-ly.

GEORGE H. WELLS, Attorney at Law, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, La., Practices in Calcasieu, Cameron and Vernon parishes; and in Orange and Jefferson counties, Texas.
July 9, 1881-6m.

A. J. KEARNEY, District Attorney, 14th Judicial District, practices in the several parishes of the District.
Office, in Lake Charles, at the Haskell House.
July 9, 1881-ly.

J. C. MUNDAY, M. D., Surgeon, Physician and Obstetrician.

FELIX BELLOCO, SCHMIDT & ZIEGLER, WHOLESAL GROCERS, IMPORTERS, Nos. 42, 51 & 55 Pelozo St., 39, 41, 43 & 45 Fulton St., New Orleans.
July 9, 1881-ly.

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July 9, 1881-ly.

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—AND— BOARDING HOUSE, Corner of Moss and Lawrence Sts., LAKE CHARLES, LA. JNO. COSTELLO.
July 9, 1881-1f.

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July 9, 1881-1f.

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An elegant two-horse hack by Willie Haskell, for the accommodation of the public, is run between the Railroad Depot and the city.
July 9, 1881-ly.

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July 1881-1y.

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Fresh and Pickled Beef, &c., west side of the Lake shore. Regular customers liberal patronage heretofore, he solicits a continuance.

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July 9, 1881-ly.

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