

Lake Charles Commercial.

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LAKE CHARLES, CALCASIEU PARISH, LA., SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1883.

NO. 19.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

MARCEL A. FOURNET, Attorney at Law, Lake Charles, La., office in room Commercial building, Ryan street, between Pajo and Broad streets. July 9, 1881.

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.

A. GALLAUGHHER, Attorney at Law, will practice in this and adjoining parishes, and before the Supreme Court at Opelousas. Special attention given to the collection of claims. [July 28/83. Sep. 3, 1881-ly.]

MITCHELL & SINGLETON, Attorneys at Law, Lake Charles, La., will practice in this and adjoining parishes, and before the Supreme Court at Opelousas. Special attention given to the collection of claims. [July 28/83. A. R. Mitchell. M. M. Singleton.]

J. KEARNEY, District Attorney, 14th Judicial District, practices in the several parishes of the District. Office, upstairs in the Court House, Lake Charles. [July 9, '81-ly.]

The Peoples Drug Store.

W. A. Knapp, Ag't, PHARMACIST. MUNDAY'S OLD STAND—LAKE CHARLES.

Prescriptions accurately dispensed at all hours. [sept 28/82-ly.]

J. W. JOHNSTON, M. D., Physician and Surgeon. Graduate of Baltimore and Washington College.

Will practice his profession in Lake Charles and surrounding country. Nov. 3, 1883.

J. W. ANDERSON.



Office in Commercial Building, Ryan street, Lake Charles. [oct 20/82.]

COSMOPOLITAN RESTAURANT,

RYAN STREET, - LAKE CHARLES, C. SCHINDLER, Proprietor. Feb. 3, 1883.

THOS. BARNES, Boiler Maker & Blacksmith LAKE CHARLES, LA.

I AM prepared to do all kind of repairing of machinery, light and heavy sheet iron work, making briching, Furnaces and Smoke-Stacks. Repairing Boilers, both stationary and portable. Ship and Farm blacksmithing of all kinds. Work guaranteed. Location, on the Lake front, south-west corner of public square. [may 9/83.]

W. H. HASKELL, JR. D. F. LEVINGSTON,

HASKELL & LEVINGSTON Contractors, Carpenters and Builders, LAKE CHARLES, LA.

WE SOLICIT public patronage upon our merits as mechanics alone. Having been reared in this immediate section, we do not deem it necessary to cite references further than to request new comers to consult older citizens as to our qualifications and responsibility. [April 28 1883-ly.]

T. B. FERREN, Contractor and Builder, LAKE CHARLES, LA.

HAVING determined to resume contracting and building, the undersigned desires to inform the public that he is now ready to make estimates, render bids and take contracts for buildings of every description. Refers to work put up by him in various sections of Lake Charles. Terms as reasonable as possible, and live. Satisfaction guaranteed in every instance. T. B. FERREN. April 14, 1883-ly.

JOHN KELLER, Boot and Shoemaker, Ryan Street, next to Commercial Office. LAKE CHARLES, LA.

I am prepared to execute all work in his line, with neatness and despatch. Best of material used, and all work guaranteed. He solicits a share of the public patronage. Residence on Pajo street, former residence of Louis Schaffnit. July 25, 1882-ly.

The Best Sewing Machine IN THE MARKET IS "POE'S FAVORITE!"

They are Standard Singer Style and only \$25 to \$30.

A full stock on hand, and for sale by L. COOPER & CO., Bagdad. Dec. 31, 1881-ly.

NEW ORLEANS CHEAP CASH STORE, UNDER FRICKE'S OPERA HOUSE.

HAVING rented the whole lower portion of Fricke's Opera House, and having the largest stock of Goods ever brought to LAKE CHARLES.

We are determined to sell cheaper than any other store in Town.

BUYERS:

Will please not forget that besides having the largest line of Men's, Boys and Youths Clothing, Boots and Shoes.

Ladies fine Button Boots and Shoes a Speciality.

We also keep on hand an extensive stock of Dry Goods, NOTIONS, HATS, CAPS, SILK, SATIN AND LACE TRIMMINGS, ETC., ETC.

GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS, TRUNKS, VALISES, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, CLOCKS, FURNITURE, STOVES, &c.

And everything belonging to Housekeeping.

Our Goods are sold at prices that Defy Competition.

WE ARE EXCLUSIVE AGENTS for the NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE. CALL AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES.

Kaiser & Rawitzky, April 7, 1883.

KLOTZ & MARX,

CORNER RYAN AND DIVISION STS., LAKE CHARLES, LA.

Grand Opening

- OF -

Fall and Winter Stock,

-CONSISTING OF-

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, BOYS AND MEN'S CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, BOOTS AND SHOES,

Stoves, Saddlery and Furniture, ALL TO BE SOLD AT A VERY SMALL MARGIN.

-REMEMBER-

Our Grocery Department is Always Complete. KLOTZ & MARX. Oct. 13, 1883.

FALL AND WINTER STOCK!

J. FRANK,

HAVING REMOVED INTO THE SPACIOUS BUILDINGS FORMERLY occupied by J. Meyers & Co., has just received one of the largest stocks of GENERAL MERCHANDISE, Ever brought to Lake Charles.

DRY GOODS, FAMILY GROCERIES, LADIES DRESS GOODS, SATINS, SILKS, LACES, EMBROIDERIES, all of which are of the latest styles and fashion. A full stock of CLOTHING, LADIES BOOTS AND SHOES, (Philadelphia make) GENT'S (home made) BOOTS AND SHOES.

My motto is "Quick Sales and Small Profits." To give the public an idea how cheap I am determined to sell goods, I will give the prices of a few goods: NICE PRINTED LAWNS, 5 cts. per yard. GALICOES, 5 cts. per yard. All other goods will be sold at proportionate prices. A LARGE STOCK OF FURNITURE AND STOVES, will be sold at low figures. [April 14/83.]

Job work of all descriptions done with neatness and despatch at this office. Give us a call.

FOR SALE.—A house and lot, in a desirable portion of the town of Lake Charles. Cheap for cash. Apply at this office.

MISS L. WALSHE

(LATE OF NEW ORLEANS.) Bilbo St., between Broad and Pajo Sts., nearly opposite the M. E. Church.

Lake Charles, La., Fashionable Millinery, —AND— DRESSMAKING ESTABLISHMENT. Bridal Trousseau a Speciality.

Constantly in receipt of a Select Stock, in the Millinery line, from New York and New Orleans.

—ALSO— A full assortment in Hair Goods, Toilet Articles, Hair Dyes, &c. Combing made up in any desired style, at New Orleans rates.

FRIZETTES, WAVES, CURLS, &c., Renewed. Any and all shades of Hair accurately matched. Orders from the country promptly attended to. [Nov 5/81.]

HASKELL'S VARIETY STORE, Lake Charles, La., On Ryan Street, first door below the Haskell House.

Will keep constantly on hand a choice and carefully selected assortment of BOOKS AND STATIONERY,

Including Books of English and American Poets, Books of History, Travels, Fiction, Music, and Science; Gift Books for the old and young; Sheet Music, Stereoscopic Views, Albums, Engravings, Chromos, Blank Books of all kinds and sizes, etc., Letter, Commercial, Note, Legal Cap, Record and Foolscap Paper; Ink of all kinds and colors; Pens, Penholders, Pencils, Erasers, Paper Cutters, Paper Weights, etc., etc.

General News Depot. For the sale of the latest Newspapers, Magazines, Novels, etc.

CHOICE CONFECTIONERY AND FRUITS.

Nuts, Jellies, Fresh, Preserved, Dried and Canned Fruits, Standard Canned Meats and Vegetables.

Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes.

Pipes and all smoking articles, and Toys, Notions and Varieties, too numerous to mention.

This is the place to get your CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

The proprietor buys the best and sells the best of everything in his line, and his motto will be "Quick sales and small profits."

Genuine Singer and Peerless Sewing Machines.

At the lowest possible prices. —ALSO—

OIL STOVES, HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN LAMPS.

Sash, Doors, Blinds, Paints, Oils, Glass, &c., furnished at Galveston prices, freight and charges added. November 26, 1881.

F. Dawson, (DAVIDSON BUILDING.)

LAKE CHARLES, LA.,

KEEPS constantly on hand a full and complete assortment of

Family Groceries,

and hopes, by strict attention to business, and honest weights and measures, to merit a share of the public patronage. Remember that I Deal in Nothing but the Best!

Call and examine. FRANCIS DAWSON. Oct. 13, 1883-ly.

L. A. BLACK,

General Fire Insurance Agent, Opelousas, La., (SUCCESSOR TO J. P. HODGE.)

EVERY description of Fire Insurance taken at reasonable rates, and losses paid without delay. The following old reliable companies represented: Liverpool and London and Globe, of England; Home, Niagara and Continental, of New York; Fire Association, of Philadelphia, and Home Insurance Co., of New Orleans. March 24, 1883.

DAVID REIMS, —DEALER IN—

Beef, Veal, Pork & Mutton, RYAN ST., LAKE CHARLES.

Will supply the citizens of Lake Charles, and vicinity, with the best Beef, Veal, Pork and Mutton, that can be procured in the Parish, and will deliver the same free of charge, when so desired. [Oct 14, 1882.]

The Sailor's Sweetheart.

My love he is a sailor lad, He says he loves me true, For all my wealth of golden hair, Because my eyes are blue; And while he is upon the sea, Where raging billows roar, The village lads come wooing me At least a half a score, I list to what the laddies say, Of smiles they have no lack, And though I say nor yea nor nay, I think I'll wait for Jack.

There's Donald, and there's Robin Gray, Oh, you should hear them sigh, I smile at them and only say I'll answer by and by, They bring me trinkets from the fair, And ribbons bright like this; And oftentimes they humbly kneel And plead me for a kiss, But then I turn and look away Across the billows black, And softly to myself I say, I think I'll wait for Jack.

Ye bonnie stars shine out, shine out, Ye billows cease your way; O south wind rise and blow my love Within the harbor bar! No other lad can woo as he; My smiles are shallow smiles, For oh, my heart is on the sea Amid the western isles, And though I let the laddies woo I give no wooing back; I only do as lassies do Just while I wait for Jack. —Samuel Minturn Peck.

Is It Detraction?

[New Orleans Picayune.]

Ever since the Picayune and other advocates of honest government began to explore and expose the evil doings of some of the State officials, the ring journals have kept up a hideous howl about defamation, slander and all that sort of thing. They talk about a "campaign of detraction" and ring the charges on what they are pleased to term "trumped-up charges."

But is it detraction? Are the charges which have been made against high State officials mere unfounded rumors to injure a political opponent? Statements have been made that were decidedly damaging to the official probity of Gov. McEnery. Charges were made against State Register of Lands Richardson, one of the Governor's most important appointees, that showed him up in a very bad light; but were they vague rumors, or improbable stories, trumped up to injure a political opponent? By the testimony of the most irrefragable proof those charges were all true. By the confession of the Governor himself, who told the truth, if not the whole truth, as far as he went, the shortcomings of Mr. Richardson were known to the Executive before he appointed that thrifty individual to office. The Governor cannot appeal to public sympathy against his friends and appointees whose official conduct has brought discredit and disgrace on his administration.

He was not deceived in them, for he knew their character, and disregarded a solemn and special warning in making at least one appointment. Then we repeat the question: Is it detraction? Is it wrong to expose the misconduct of the people's public servants? On the contrary, is it not the duty of the public journals to inquire into these matters and declare all official crookedness and deformity?

The ring journals then should seek some other method of bolstering up their failing cause than by pleading persecution and defamation. It is absurd for them to affect to ignore the tainted reputation and damaged character of their political commodities when the odors of decomposition and corruption are offending the nostrils of the public. They cannot, by clamoring about detraction, put out of sight and existence damaging facts and damaging records. The facts are all facts, and the records are on file, and they place some mighty good men, so-called, in a most deplorable condition, which makes the henchmen howl. It is truly a bad business, unfortunate for the State and unhappy for the offending officials, and if we were seeking for a term with which to characterize the entire affair we should not have to go far to find something appropriate in plain and unmistakable Anglo-Saxon; but it would be straining the language terribly, in the light of the logic of the facts, to call them by the term "detraction." It is almost anything but that.

"You ought to be in our room now," said Amy; "we have a teacher that rules the roost." "Well," replied the high-school girl, "I'd be ashamed of myself; you should say, 'governs the horizontal perch on which the fowl repose,' not 'rules the roost.'" —Derrick.

Senator Marston Out.

[Baton Rouge Truth.]

State Senator B. W. Marston writes a lengthy letter to the *Coushatta Citizen*, placing his candidacy before the people of Louisiana. It appears from the following excerpts that he is in earnest. He says, speaking of the endorsement of the *Citizen*:

"This endorsement and the solidarity with which it has been received by my neighbors in the parish of Red River, and friends in the State have touched the tenderest string of my heart; and even if I so desired, I would not decline the honor of shrinking the responsibility."

Here is another: "The names of many distinguished gentlemen have been mentioned in connection with this nomination, and why it should be narrowed down betwixt Gen. Ogden and Gov. McEnery is an enigma to me, yet the two "big dailies" in the State seem to take this position. For one, seeking the office from ambitious and, I believe, patriotic motives, I would like to be heard."

He throws the glove as follows, after a tirade upon monopolies, fiscal agencies, the penitentiary, etc. "It is thought these issues will be virtually settled by the primary elections, and having no "big daily" at my back, I would respectfully invite Gov. McEnery and Gen. Ogden, or any other aspirants, to meet me upon the stump to discuss these questions before the people, believing they would like to understand them before their delegates are accredited to the nominating convention."

Senator Marston insists on being heard, and has entered the canvass with vim.

We notice that Colonel Jas. M. Hollingsworth, of Cade Parish, is proposed in several quarters for Democratic nomination for Governor, while the *Coushatta Citizen* has brought forward Senator Marston for that honor. Senator Marston has made a record in the legislature as an anti-monopolist and a friend of economy and the people, of which he and his friends may well be proud. Colonel Hollingsworth has never, we believe, held or sought a political office, but he is one of the foremost Democrats in the State; in the darkest days of Radicalism he was a light unto his people, and a brand that smote the enemy, hip and thigh. He was also a gallant soldier in the Confederacy, and is distinguished for his resolution of purpose and decision of character.—States.

While we do not believe that Gov. McEnery is corrupt or dishonest; while we do not believe that he has ever received a dollar that was not justly his own, yet it cannot be successfully contradicted that he has quietly permitted venal and corrupt men to rob and plunder the State. It is unquestionably true a powerful and gigantic ring exists in this State; it is equally true that the friends and admirers of our Executive have most signally failed to prove that their candidate is not a mere tool of that ring, but without any interest in the ill-gotten gains of their plunder; too weak to maintain the manly opposition to ring-rule which he manifested about the time he was made Lieutenant-Governor.—Morehouse Clarion.

THE NEXT HOUSE.—There will be 325 members of the next United States House of Representatives, instead of 293 of the last House. The Eastern States have the 75 they had in the last House; Western States have 109 instead of 92; the Southern States have 121 instead of 106. The Democrats have a majority of 64, or twice the number of new members. The Democrats will have 194 members in all. The East send 42, the West 51 and the South 101.

This story is told of an old hunter in Michigan who lost his way in the woods a number of times while the country was new. At length he secured a pocket compass and its use was explained to him by a friend. But shortly afterwards he lost his way again and lay out as usual. When found he was asked why he did not travel by the compass. He did not dare to be said. He wanted to go north, and he tried to make the thing point north, but it wasn't no use, 'twould shake, shake, shake round and point southeast every time.