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SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1897.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy are iting in the Lone Star State.

Judge C. Deballion, of Lafayette, tended court here last Tuesday.

District Attorney A. R. Mitchell ited New Orleans and Baton uge this week.

Messrs. H. B. Milligan and Geo. ck were registered in the Cresnt City Tuesday.

Miss Lena Woolman has rened from Baton Rouge, where e has been attending school.

Mr. Geo. Stem, traveling reprentative of the Singer Sewing chine Co., was in the city this ek.

Attorney General Cunningham s here Thursday on business nnected with the Reid embezement case.

Jonnie Davidson is home from ton Rouge, where he has been ending the deaf and dumb hool at that place.

Mrs. C. B. Croom is having her rniture packed preparatory to moving to her old home in ontgomery, Alabama.

Mrs. J. E. Goodlett left last Wednesday morning for an exnded visit with her daughter, rs. Frank Mornhinveg, in Opesas.

Prof. S. A. Knapp left last night r Washington to be present hen the rice schedule of the nate tariff bill comes before the ncus.

Col. Dick Harrison's friends ill be pleased to know that he now associated with the Daily ress as city reporter. He took harge of this department on the rst.

Miss Rona Keener left Wednesay morning for an extended visit mong friends in Cincinnati, Ohio. e join friends in wishing Miss ona a delightful visit and a safe turn.

Mr. and Mrs. Rosa left Thursay morning, via the Watkins oute, for their northern home, here they will spend the sumer, returning to the city by the ke early in the fall.

Our young friend, Jennings Gill, eturned home Sunday night from oughkeepsie, N. Y., where he has een attending college. Jennings now one of the handsome assistnts in the clerk's office.

Mr. Jesse M. Hutchins, who ecently disposed of his drug usiness at Welsh, is in the city aking arrangements to locate ermanently in this city. We extend Jesse and his family a hearty elcome among us.

Mr. W. H. Cline retired from he editorial sanctum of the American last Tuesday, and has resumed his former position as immigration agent for the Watkins Company. He was succeeded by Mr. Gerrard Harris, of Jackson, Miss.

Mrs. L. Abadie and daughter, Miss Addie, and son, Master Joe, who have been visiting among friends and relatives in the city by the lake, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cruikshank, left last Thursday morning for their home in Alexandria.

Miss Nona Fuqua returned last Saturday evening from an extended trip, visiting friends in North Louisiana. Her return has filled an aching void in the heart of a certain book-keeper which could not have been done otherwise, says the Press. By "Josh," we are glad to know that Miss Nona has returned.

Mr. Joe. M. Gerson, of the clothing firm of Gerson & Fox, of Houston, Texas, made his first business trip here this week, and scored a big success in booking orders for his wears. Mr. Gerson and his associate, Mr. I. Fox, are numbered among the most popular young business men in Houston, and are to-day receiving the lion's share of the trade in their line of business.

Cheap Excursions.

On account of the seventh reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, at Nashville, Tenn., from June 22nd to the 25th, the Southern Pacific Sunset Route will sell round trip tickets on June 19th, 20th and 21st, good for return ten days from date of sale. The fare from Lake Charles is $15.50.

On account of the 16th International Christian Endeavor convention, at San Francisco, Cal., from [illegible] this same [illegible] tickets from [illegible] July 1, 2 [illegible] and 5 [illegible] on the [illegible]

Next Sunday's Excursion.

Between one thousand and fifteen hundred excursionists will visit this city on Sunday, the 13th instant. The excursion train starts from Thibodaux, and reports from all along the line are to the effect that at every town and station the crowd will be enlarged by people anxious to visit the city by the lake. We extend a hearty invitation to one and all to shut-up shop and pay us a visit on the 13th. A programme of amusements has been decided upon, which is assurance enough for a royal good time for all.

Died From a Stab Wound.

Word was received here by Sheriff A. L. Lyons last Monday of the death of Joe Lehman, which occurred at the charity hospital in New Orleans last Sunday. It will be remembered that Lehman is the man who was stabbed in the abdomen during a saloon row with a man named Tom Baker, at Westlake, on Saturday night two weeks ago. Upon the advice of Drs. Perkins, of this city, and Smith, of Westlake, the wounded man was sent to New Orleans for treatment, and at first it was thought he would recover. Baker is in jail awaiting trial, and when informed of Lehman's death remarked, "that's sad, isn't it?"

Pleasure Seekers.

A jolly crowd of pleasure seekers left last Saturday afternoon for an outing on the beautiful banks of Big Lake, about eighteen miles south of town. The party was composed of the following: Mr. and Mrs. Pat Crowley, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Breaux, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hebert, and son Junior, Misses Nellie Costello, Bettie Sirmon, Lena McCormick, Bertha Schindler, Annie Crowley and Maud Wilbur, Messrs. William Cagney and Press Lyons. The party was joined next morning by Judge James A. Kinder, Judge R. H. Odom, Messrs. Jno. H. Poe and Thomas Costello. They all reported an enjoyable time and promised themselves to go again at no distant date.

Closing Days of School.

Miss Lallie Bryan, the accomplished daughter of Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan, of this city, who is attending school at Waco, Texas, kindly remembered the COMMERCIAL with an invitation to be present at the graduating exercises of the music class of '97, Baylor University, which will take place this evening at eight-thirty o'clock. The following pupils compose the graduating class: Mrs. Downs Marshall, Misses Lizzie Westbrook, Rosa Weathered, Pearl Welborn, Bertha Lattimore, Maude Ballew, Nettie Williams, Mable Cranfill, Maude Tunnell, Margaret Kendall, Kate Lawless, Lallie Bryan.

We are in receipt of a neat invitation which reads: "The senior class of the Louisiana State University and A. and M. College requests the honor of your presence at its commencement exercises, Wednesday, June 16th, 1897, at eleven o'clock. University Pavilion, Baton Rouge."

Getting Down to Business in a Business-Like Manner.

One of the most important moves our business men have yet taken towards the advancement of Lake Charles and the parish of Calcasieu generally, was the organization of the Lake Charles Commercial Club last Monday night. The object of which is to advance the industrial, agricultural, commercial and manufacturing interests of this city and vicinity. This organization is composed of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens in this section, which is assurance enough that nothing of interest to this section will ever be overlooked. The club is officered by Messrs. Arad Thompson, president; H. C. Drew, first vice-president; L. Kaufman, second vice-president; N. E. North, secretary, and Frank Roberts, treasurer.

The next meeting of the club will be held next Monday evening to receive and act upon the reports of the different committees appointed at last Monday night's meeting. Every citizen of this city and parish is deeply interested in the work planed by the Lake Charles Commercial Club and recognizes in it a brighter future for the city of Lake Charles and the parish of Calcasieu.

Call and examine J. P. Clerk's refrigerators before purchasing, and be convinced that they are [illegible] and [illegible] on the [illegible]

The M. E. Church South, Entertains.

One of the most enjoyable events of the season, occurred at the Broad Street M. E. Church Tuesday night in the form of a combination Sacred Concert and a free for all ice cream and lemonade sociable. The spacious house of worship was comfortably filled when the Lake Charles orchestra struck up a charming medley, and a look of expectancy could be seen on the happy faces of the entertained. Following the opening number by the orchestra, a full chorus rendered "Come unto me" in a manner which held the delighted audience spell bound—this selection was composed and written by Professor Schmidt, and in itself possesses much merit.

Miss Helen Harp rendered a beautiful solo, "Nearer my God to Thee," with her usual grace and elegance. The select reading by Miss Zena Thomson, was probably as finely rendered article as Lake Charles people have ever listened to. Miss Thomson possesses rare talent and has received her education in this line, from the best of instructors. Miss Edith Philson next came forward and seated herself at the piano. Miss Philson is too well known in Lake Charles as an accomplished musician, to need further comments from us. Mrs. and Miss Braden followed Miss Philson in one of their characteristic duets, after which Miss Keeny rendered by request, "The Soliloquy." Miss Keeny is an elocutionist of some note and her rendition of the above selection met with general satisfaction. The concert was at this juncture, concluded by another chorus entitled "Guide me, Oh Thou Great Gehova!" one of the prominent features of this beautiful selection, was a solo by Mrs. Reams whose superb voice thrilled the entire audience.

The congregation then adjourned to the lawn where ice cream and lemonade was dispensed by the wholesale. We are not in possession of the figures, but are reliably informed that the entertainment and sociable together, netted a very satisfactory sum. The management is to be congratulated upon the complete success of the enterprise.

The Parish Looses Again.

The suit of the Commercial vs. the Parish of Calcasieu was decided by Judge S. D. Read last Wednesday in favor of the plaintiff. The suit was brought for the payment of a bill for publishing the proceedings of the police jury last July, at which session the Press was elected the official organ, and also (two weeks later) printed by that organ. Our bill was rejected and the Press' claim paid, hence the suit. The question is now, will the parish be able to recover the amount paid the Press, after being instructed to do the work, or will that amount be charged to profit and loss account? If so, this is a dead loss of over one hundred dollars to the tax payers of Calcasieu parish for nothing more or less than a bit of spiteful prejudice on part of the police jury against the COMMERCIAL. Ha, gentlemen of the police jury, you should not let prejudice govern you when discharging your duties as public officials. You all were not elected by the people to reward friends and punish enemies, but to discharge your duties in an honorable and just manner to one and all alike.

Besides the above suit the parish will have to pay twenty or thirty dollars cost in the suits brought against the parish by Dr. J. G. Martin and Constable L. O. Dees to recover claims that were rejected by the police jury. Both these suits have been decided by the courts.

The COMMERCIAL contends that if the members of the police jury would have to make good these losses out of their pay they would use better judgment in the discharge of their duties in the future than they have in the past.

Fourth of July.

Arrangements are now under full headway, by a committee of indefatigable men, for a Fourth of July celebration at Hoo-Hoo park. There will be $275.00 in purses, divided as follows: 2.30 trot or pace, $150.00; 1-2 mile running, 2 in 3, $100.000; 1-4 mile running, ponies, 2 in 3, $65.00. Besides these races there will be various other kinds of amusements to entertain the guests. The dummy train will then be making regular trips to the park.

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The Dunkards to be Given a Pressing Invitation to Make Their Homes Around Lake Charles.

E. Hamand, traveling passenger agent of the Kansas City, Watkins and Gulf Railroad, arrived in the city last night from Lake Charles, en route for Frederick, Md., where is now in progress the annual meeting of the Dunkards. He registered at the Grunewald and leaves this morning for the convention, where are some 10,000 of the people of that faith who will remain in session for two weeks.

It is Mr. Hamand's purpose, as well as that of the road he represents, to induce to this state as many of the people of this convention as possible, with the purpose of having them see and appreciate the manifold advantages of the Lake Charles country and locate there.

Quite recently he was enabled to inaugurate a colony at Bon Air, on the K. C., W. and G., railway, and it promises to grow space. He goes not only with the credentials of his road, but with the certificates of the Dunkards already located there as to the reliability of any and all statements he may make regarding the country the road is endeavoring to settle with the best kind of citizenship.

"The Dunkards are a splendid people," said the traveling agent of the road to the Picayune man last night. "They are as a class of the highest integrity. Their honesty is proverbial. They are not averse to settling in the country, and their industry and thrift, frugality and plain dealing have been instrumental in enabling them to make garden spots of all the country they so far settled in the United States. They operate strictly on a cash basis. It is the rare exception when you find one of the faith asking for a day's credit. They discourage the system and believe it, if not wrong, certainly not for the best of either the debtor or the creditor. They dress very plainly. In religion they insist that the Bible is to be taken verbatim et literatim. There are no frills to any of their constructions of the text, and they think that the whole Bible is to be accepted as it is.

"Recently President Watkins donated a $500 lot in LakeCharles, on which they may erect a church.

The settlement we are seeking to establish at Bon Air really possesses a host of advantages, and if they take hold of it they will show its resources in a marvelous manner. We have had great uphill work in getting the first ones to locate there, but now the colony threatens to grow rapidly, for we have their word as to the advantages of the locality, and they never exaggerate or deal in untruths for any purpose. They very much resemble the old-time Quakers.

"The sections of the north where they are in the greatest numbers are becoming over crowded, and when the advantages for farming are compared to this the region of Lake Charles affords, no one can for a moment contend that the comparison is fair to the former. The bitter weather of the winter alone in the states of Illinois and Indiana affords a remarkable contrast to the people who are in a position to make comparisons. The Dunkards are a very progressive people, and under the stimulus of the superior advantages of Louisiana they will doubtless accomplish what will seem to others marvels.

"The Lake Charles country is developing wonderfully. There is no false boom about it, but steady and substantial development. Though the rest of the state is progressing, there is not, to my mind, any other section which is making the rapid strides that Lake Charles is.

"I look to see material results from this visit to the annual meeting of these good people. While they will profit by the new location, the new location will profit in every respect, for they are ideal citizens, and good, honest Americans in every sense of the word."—Picayune, June 1.

Mysteries.

A five cent Mistery Social will be held by the Junior Epworth League on the lawn of the Broad Street Church, on Monday, June 7th, at 7 o'clock the fun will begin. Young and old are invited. Admittance 5 cents. Refreshments 5 cents.

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Sheriff's Sale.

12th Judicial District Court, Parish of Calcasieu, State of Louisiana.—Nos. 2808 and 2809.

Marx & Blum vs. Poe & Bahel et al.
Bertrand Adoue, Assignee, vs. Poe & Bahel et al.

BY VIRTUE of two writs of fieri facias issued and to me directed by the Honorable Court aforesaid, I have seized, and will offer for sale, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, without the benefit of appraisement, at the Court House door of said parish, in the city of Lake Charles, Parish of Calcasieu, State of Louisiana, on

Saturday, June 12th, 1897,

between legal hours, the following described property, situated in the parish of Calcasieu, State of Louisiana, and belonging to W. A. J. Rollins, to-wit:

The South half of Section Twenty-four (24) Township Two (2) S. R Six (6) W, the North half of the Southeast quarter, the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter, and the southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, and the East half of the Northwest quarter; and the Northeast quarter of Section Twenty-two (22), the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section Twenty-three (23) Township (2) S. R Seven (7) W, and the Northeast quarter, and West half of the Southwest quarter of Section Thirty-five (35) Township (2) S. R Seven (7) West, containing [illegible] acres, more or less.

And also the following belonging to Wm. Bahel, and situated in the town of Lake Charles, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Nine (9) in Block (2) Nine, Bilio and Ann Lawless Subdivision of the North half of the Northeast quarter of section Thirty-one (31) Township (2) S. R Eight (8) W, together with all the improvements, rights, ways and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

Terms: Cash on day of sale.

[illegible] A. L. LYONS,
Sheriff of Calcasieu Parish, La.
Charles Allen, Lake Charles, La., Bar [illegible]
[illegible] Bank, Attys for Plaintiff.
May 5, 1897.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, May 3, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before C. Mayo, U. S. Commissioner, at Lake Charles, La., on June 21, 1897, viz:

RODOLPH GORDON,

for himself and other heirs of Lucretia Gordon, widow, who made homestead entry No. [illegible], for the W½ of Sec. 32, Tp 12 S., R 14 West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Ignace Rodrigues, Chas. F. Robins, Joseph L. Miller, Amedee Short, all of Calcasieu Parish, La.

G. M. [illegible] BRUMBY, Register.

May 5, 1897.—6t.

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