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Professional Cards.

NOTICE.

MERCER CANFIELD, ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW, AND NOTARY PUBLIC, will practice his profession in this and the adjoining Parishes. Office on second street, opposite Court Yard Square, one door below McCloskey's store. Office at Alexandria, La. ap18

W. ORSBORN. W. P. SHROPSHIRE.

Orsborn & Shropshire,
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law,

WILL practice their profession in this and the adjoining Parishes.
Office in Alexandria, next Door to the Post Office. m18-1y.

LAW PARTNERSHIP.

WM. B. LEWIS. JNO. C. LEWIS. EDWARD T. LEWIS.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between Messrs. W. B. & J. C. Lewis, is this day dissolved, and a new one substituted therefor between Messrs. W. B., J. C. & E. T. Lewis, who will practice their profession in the parishes of Rapides, Avoyelles, Natchitoches and Catahoula. One of them will always be found at their office in Alexandria. Feb 23 '59-1y

H. S. LOSEE,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

WILL practice his profession in this and adjoining parishes.
Office 3d door below the Alexandria House.
jan12-1y ALEXANDRIA, LA.

W. B. HYMAN. A. CAZABAT

HYMAN & CAZABAT,
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law,
dec30-1y Alexandria, La.

EDGAR E. VOORHIES. JAMES GRAHAM

VOORHIES & GRAHAM,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

WILL practice in the Thirteenth and adjoining Districts. Offices in Alexandria and Marksville, La. [aug 10-1y

Law Notice.
J. H. & THOMAS OVERTON,
Attorneys and Counselors at Law.

HAVING associated themselves in the practice of their profession, will attend regularly the District Courts of the Parishes of St. Landry, Calcasieu, Rapides and Avoyelles, and the annual sessions of the Supreme Court at Alexandria and Opelousas. .... Office at Opelousas, La. ap27

J. N. RHORER,
NOTARY PUBLIC,
Office a the Court House, Alexandria, La.
March 30, 1858-1y

ROBT. B. LOTT,
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,
Alexandria, La.
Office on Third Street near the Methodist Church, and immediately in the rear of the Rapides House.
an12-1y

GEO. S. D. ANDERSON, M. D.
ALEXANDRIA, LA.
☞ Office one door south of the American Office, in the room lately occupied by Dr. Lamm.
August 17 1858-1y.

LEROY C. MORRIS,
(*Private Secretary to the Governor.*)
General Collecting Agent.
BATON ROUGE, LA.,

RESPECTFULLY offers his services in the above capacity. All orders entrusted to him for the collection of claims against the State, of what ever nature, will be promptly and faithfully attended to, and at a reasonable rate of compensation.

☞ He will also attend to the entering of Lands, where parties desiring the same, will furnish him with the requisite data as to locality, number of township, range, etc.; also, to the redemption of lands sole, or forfeited to the State, for non payment of taxes.

REFERENCES:
Baton Rouge, La—Gov. R. C. Wickliffe, and Hon. A. S. Herron.
Iberville Parish—Ex-Gov. P. O. Hebert.
New Orleans—Gen. M. Grivot, Gen. John L. Lewis, Hon. A. O. Ogden, Gen. Jno. Armstrong.
Carrollton—W. T. Scott, Esq.
Natchitoches—Dr. J. W. Butler.
Lake Providence—T. R. R. Hatch, Esq. ap13-4m

NOTICE.—ARCHIBALD M. GORDON, *CIVIL ENGINEER* and *SURVEYOR*, offers his services, in the above capacity, to the citizens of the Parish of Rapides. May 18, 1859-1y*

F. G. RANDOLPH & CO.,
RECEIVING, FORWARDING,
—AND—
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 50 COMMON STREET,
Dec15, 1858-1y *New Orleans.*

LANDRETH'S SEEDS
Of the Full Crop of this Year.

JUST RECEIVED—Button or Onion Toys, and a general assortment, at
ST. JOHN & GROVES.

JOHN CLUNEY,
GROCER—Alexandria, Louisiana.

HAVING rented the Store formerly occupied by S. Kibbe, on Second Street, opposite the Rapides Hotel he wishes to inform his friends and the public generally that he has made arrangements for receiving fresh supplies weekly, as follows:
Sugar Cured Hams, Side and Shoulder Bacon, Mess Beef, Mackerel fish, Sardines, Lard, Butter, Soap, Candles, Flour, Coffee, Teas, and Fruits of all kinds and of the best quality, and everything kept in a Wholesale or Retail grocery.
—*ALSO LIQUORS*—
Such as Cogniac Brandy, Irish Whiskey, Bourbon do., Wines, Porter and Ale, of best brands, also Cigars of the best quality, and the best of Confectionary and Pound Cake always on hand. All of which he offers at reasonable prices. jan 26-1y

$100 REWARD!

RUNAWAY from "Crighton" plantation, on Tensas River, parish of Condordia, sometime in March last, two negro men named **Charles** and **King**, of the following description:
CHARLES is twenty-three or four years of age, weighs about 140 pounds, 5 feet 6 inches high, light complexion, rather a down look, and speaks slowly when spoken to.
KING is twenty-five or six years old, weighs about 160 pounds, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, light complexion, speaks quick when spoken to; he is a very likely boy.
A reward of one hundred dollars will be given for their apprehension and delivery to the subscriber in Natchez, or fifty dollars each, separately.
June 15-2m THOS. H. STANTON.

W. K. STEVENS. D. H. M'ELROY

W. K. STEVENS & CO.,
(FORMERLY OF THE RED RIVER RAILROAD.)
Iron and Brass Foundry
—AND—
MACHINE SHOP,
On FRONT STREET, between the Store of H. ROBERTSON & Co., *and the Railroad Depot, Alexandria, Louisiana.*

WE WOULD respectfully announce to the Planters of Rapides and adjoining Parishes, that we have opened the above named establishment for the purpose of Manufacturing
Steam Engines,
Grist Mills,
Saw Mills,
Pumps of every description, Steam and Water Pipes of all varieties furnished and fitted to order, in the neatest possible manner.
Blow Cocks,
Steam Guages,
Mud Valves,
Steam Whistles,
—Water and Cistern Faucets.—
W. K. STEVENS'
PATENT LUBRICATOR,
and every variety of Brass or Copper Work.
Repairing done on Engines, Boilers, Saw Mills, Grist Mills, Cotton Gins, Sugar Mills, and every variety of Cast, Wrought Iron, and Brass Work. Old Cylinders bored and made as good as new.
We will also furnish the celebrated—
Metalic Packing,
for Cylinders, &c.
We will also, keep on hand, and make to order, any variety of *Plows, Sweeps, Iron Axles* for Carts and Wagons, with Boxes or Tubes to suit. Also—
Blacksmithing
done in all its branches.
We are also, prepared to do
—**Wood Turning**—
of all kinds, such as Wagon and Cart Hubs, Fellies, &c.
Planters, and others, interested in the Machine Business, would do well to call and take a look at our
MACHINERY
and examine our *Prices* before sending their orders or work elsewhere, as we are prepared to do all work in our line of business as *CHEAP*, we think, as can be done elsewhere.
☞ Orders from abroad promptly attended to, and thankfully received.
☞ All work done by us, warranted to give *entire satisfaction.*
We are Agents for the house of
W. R. DUNLAP & CO.,
Cincinnati, Ohio, and we are prepared to furnish Boilers, Engines, and every description of
Machinery
of their work, at
Manufacturer's Prices,
and guarantee them in every respect.
We refer to the following gentlemen:

J. R. Williams,	A. Prescott,
T. O. Moore,	J. Innis,
M. R. Ariail,	Capt. S. Wilson,
W. M. Sasser,	Jos. Chambers,
H. Robertson & Co.,	P. T. Hickman,
D. A. Smith,	S. B. Haygood.
G. G. McElroy,	

June 1, 1859-1y

News from the Seat of War!

GREAT TRIUMPH
Of Liberty Over Austrian Despotism!!
Italy at Last Independent!

WE take this method of informing our numerous customers and the public generally, that we have, and are receiving by every boat, the finest and most
FASHIONABLE STOCK OF GOODS
ever brought to this market, comprising a well selected Stock of
Summer Goods,
Mantillas;
Parasols of all styles and colors;
English Bareges, Double Skirts;
French, do. do. do.
do. do. with Flounces;
French Jaconets;
Muslins;
and Prints of every manufacture; and a variety of Goods unusually found in a well kept Dry Goods Store.
Ready Made Clothing,
Shirts of every style—White, Colored, Linen and Marseilles.
Ladies and Gents Shoes;
Hats and Ladies Flats, &c., &c.
If you want BARGAINS—GOOD GOODS, and at the very LOWEST PRICES, be sure to call
—AT THE—
Cash Store,
Where you will find desirable Goods at
Eastern Prices,
Selected by an experienced buyer, our Stock will exceed everything in the market for
—Splendor and Cheapness.—
We have no old stock on hand, as we would rather sell BELOW COST, than keep over old Goods.
Our motto always was, and will be
Small Profits & Quick Returns!
☞ Call and convince yourselves, at
WINEHILL & GILBERT'S
CASH STORE,
June 8-tf FRONT ST., ALEXANDRIA.

JUST RECEIVED

A FEW Barrels **Old Virgin Whisky**, (best ever brought to this place.)
Otard and Cognac Brandies;
Claret Wine in Pint and Quart Bottles;
Champagne, " " " "
Old Port and Medaira Wine, by the gallon or bot.
Syrups, Assorted;
Pure Home Made Lemon Syrup;
Dried Beef; Beef Tongues;
Mackerel in Kitts; Rice; Tea; Coffee;
Loaf, Crushed and Pulverized Sugar;
Salt; Bacon; Soap; Candles;
Macaroni, and everything for FAMILY USE, which will be sold at *LIVING RATES.*
June 3, S. W. HENARIE.

FOR SALE.—2000 bbls., Corn on Flagland Plantation, apply to Mrs. HICKMAN.
500 bbls. Corn on New Hope Plantation, apply to J. N. Butler, ron the premises.
July 13-tf. P. T. HICKMAN.

Castor Springs,
(20 MILES WEST OF COLUMBIA.)
CATAHOULA PARISH, LOUISIANA.

MRS. ANDERSON & SON respectfully announce to their numerous friends and all other seekers of **Health, Pleasure and Recreation**, that they have newly fitted up their establishment at the **Castor Springs** and are prepared to offer better accommodations than ever to those who feel disposed to pay them a visit. The water possesses the very finest medical properties, as many heretofore afflicted with Dispepsia, Rheumatism, Jaundice, and other functional and organic diseases can testify.
The SPRINGS are situated in a pleasant, healthful, Pine Valley region, with an abundance of **Game**, and every facility will be afforded to chase and kill the silver footed deer.
The roads are good from almost any point, North, Jouth, East or West.
There are Bath-Houses provided for those who desire to test the efficacy of the water by bathing, and those who desire amusements will be furnished with *BALL ROOMS, BALL ALLEYS*, &c.
The proprietors are distinguished for their unwearied attention to the happiness and comfort of their guests, and their charges are more moderate than most places of similar resort.
June 8th, 1859.-6m

Bell Cheney Springs.

THIS delightful watering place, situated in the Parish of St. Landry, in a beautiful rolling Piney Woods, distant about 36 miles from Opelousas, will be opened on the 15th of June next, for the reception of visitors.
These Springs are favorably known among the people of Western Louisiana as mineral waters of great efficiency in Chronic Diseases of various kinds—their medicinal virtues having been fully tested by innumerable cures they have performed.
The services of an excellent Cook, a good Steward and polite and attentive Servants have been secured, and a fine Band of Music engaged for the season.
Two lines of Omnibusses will connect with the Opelousas boats on and after the 15th of June, to take passengers to the Springs.
Persons visiting the above establishment may have their letters and papers sent to them to "Bayou Chicot, P. O." and we will send for them.
Board and lodging per month....$35 00
" " " week..... 10 00
" " " day..... 2 00
Children and Servants, half price.
PATIN & DELAHOUSSAYE,
June -2m PROPRIETORS.

U. WESTBROOK, G. W PASSEL.

U. WESTBROOK & Co.,
CARRIAGE MAKERS & REPAIRERS,
CORNER OF BAYOU ROBERT AND SIXTH STREET,
ALEXANDRIA,

WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Rapides and adjoining parishes, that they still carry on the Carriage business in all its branches,
PAINTING,
TRIMMING,
WOODWORKING AND BLACKSMITHING.
Having on hand a large assortment of MATERIAL of the best QUALITY, they will endeavor to do all work entrusted in their hands with dispatch, and to suit the most fastidious, at moderate prices.
In addition to our former business, we will keep on hand an assortment of BUGGIES and HARNESS, which we will sell at New Orleans prices and terms.
Give us a call before sending your orders to New Orleans. July 6-1y.

CHEAP FOR CASH
—OR—
GOOD SHORT PAPER!
Groceries! Groceries!!

THE subscriber on Front Street, opposite the Ferry Landing, having removed from his old stand, one door below, into O. W. Nalley's building, still keeps on hand a very general and complete assortment of
Family and Plantation Groceries,
such as are usually applied for in this market, consisting, among many other articles, of—
Sides Shoulders and Hams; Corned Beef, of excellent quality, Salt, Flour, Sugar and Coffee, Tea; Tobacco, Mackerel, Sardines, Cheese, Lard, Soap, Candles, Yeast Powders, Crockery ware, Brandies, Whisky, Wines and Cordials. Irish Potatoes, Onions, &c.
"Prompt customers and low per-centage," is the proper motto. Goods might be sold much lower in Alexandria, if merchants were not compelled to tack on extra per-centage to cover the losses from bad sales; I have determined to abandon that system, and hereafter, sell only for CASH or SHORT GOOD PAPER, by which plan I shall be able to sell *LOWER* and make more money than those who follow a different practice.
June 8, 1859-y JACOB WALKER.

HORSE SHOEING and
BLACKSMITHING.

MR. J. M. RUMMELL takes pleasure in informing the public that he is permanently located here and has established his Blacksmith Shop on Third Street, in the rear of the Ice House. He will pay special attention to Horse-Shoeing, and promises entire satisfaction to planters and others.
☞ Those who wish to have their horses well, safely and neatly shod, will do well to give me a call. May 11, 1859-1y

INSTRUCTION IN FRENCH.

E. BERTE ST ANGE who has been engaged as teacher of French in the families of General Thomas and Dr. Casson of this Parish, and who can furnish all desirable testimonials of his experience and ability, desires an engagement in Rapides or an adjoining parish. He will teach Latin, French, Spanish, the rediments of English and Arithmetic. His method of teaching is thorough and exact. June 29, 1859.-tf

BRECKENRIDGE REFINED ILLUMINATING COAL OIL!!

THIS celebrated Oil, makes the best and cheapest Light in use, and is for sale by the subscriber by the barrel or gallon, also Camphene, and Burning Fluid or Spirit Gas; together with
COAL OIL LAMPS,
in every variety of style, from Kitchen to Parlor; *CAMPHENE* and *SPIRIT GAS* or *FLUID* do, the celebrated
Franklin Lamp.
for burning Lard or kitchen Grease. A general assortment of Glass and Paper Shades, Wicks, Cans, Fillers and Chimney Brushes &c; will be sold cheap for cash, at the New Lamp Store,
28 CAMP STREET, NEW ORLEANS.
☞ Orders promptly attended to.
July 13,-3m. ARTEMON HILL.

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$4 00 per Annum.....In Advance.
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[From Hymns of the Ages.

EVENING PRAYER.

I come to Thee to-night,
In my lone closet where no eye can see,
And dare to crave an interview with thee,
Father of love and light.

Softly the moonbeams slide
On the still branches of the shady trees,
While the sweet sounds of ev'ng on the gentle breeze
Steal through the slumbering vine.

Thou gav'st the calm repose
That rests on all—the air, the birds the flower,
The human spirit in its weary hour,
Now at the bright day's close.

'Tis Nature's time for prayer:
The silent praises of the glorious sky,
And the earth's orisons profound and high,
To heaven their breathings bear.

With them my soul would bend
In humble reverence at Thy holy throne,
Trusting the merits of Thy Son alone
Thy sceptre to extend.

If I this day have striven
With Thy blest spirit, or have bowed the knee
To aught of earth, in weak idolatry,
I pray to be forgiven.

If in my heart has been
An unforgiving thought, or word, or look,
Though deep the malice which I scarce could brook,
Wash me from the dark sin.

If I have turned away
From grief or suffering which I might relieve,
Careless the cup of water e'en to give,
Forgive me, Lord, I pray.

And teach me how to feel
My sinful wanderings with a deeper smart,
And more of mercy and of grace impart,
My sinfulness to heal.

Father my soul would be
Pure as the drops of eve's unsullied dew,
And as the stars whose nightly course is true,
So would I be to Thee.

Not for myself alone,
Would I these blessings of Thy love implore,
But for each penitent the wide earth o'er,
Whom Thou hast called Thine own.

And for my heart's best friends,
Whose steadfast kindness o'er my painful years
Has watched to sooth afflictions griefs and tears,
My warmest prayer ascends.

Should o'er their path decline
The light of gladness, or of hope or health,
Be Thou the solace, and their joy, and wealth,
As they have long been mine.

And now, O Father! take
The heart I cast with humble faith on Thee
And cleanse its depths from each impurity,
For my Redeemer's sake.

COMMERCE OF OUR METROPOLIS.

In accordance with ancient custom the Delta of the 1st September issues an "Annual Commercial Statement," being a summary of the movements of domestic produce for the year ending Aug. 31, as indicated by the trade of New Orleans. Though unable to give the report in full, we extract some of its leading items:

COTTON—The receipts of Cotton at this port during the year have been 1,778,739 bales, including 101,206 from Mobile and the seaports of Florida and Texas. The exports of the year have embraced 1,777,168 bales, of which 994,668 to Great Britain, 256,594 to France, 182,101 to the north of Europe, 147,392 to other foreign ports, and 196,413 to domestic ports North. The stock remaining on hand this day, including all in presses and pickeries, and on ship board not cleared, is 28,542 bales. The receipts at this port last year were 1,678,291 bales, including 109,046 from Mobile and the seaports of Texas and Florida. The exports last year embraced 1,660,179 bales, of which 1,015,586 bales to Great Britain, 236,287 to France, 115,867 to the north of Europe, 125,394 to other foreign ports, and 168,742 to domestic ports North. An increase is thus shown of 100,448 bales in the total receipts at this port, a decrease of 20,918 in the exports to Great Britain, an increase of 20,307 to France, 66,548 to the north of Europe, of 21,998 to other foreign ports, and 32,670 to domestic ports.

Statement of Cotton for the year 1858–59.

	Bales.
Stock on hand September 1, 1858.....	30,471
Received during the year.....	1,774,739
Made from waste, damage, &c.....	10,000
	1,815,210
Exported during the year....1,777,168	
Burnt..... 11,500—	1,788,668
Stock on hand September 1, 1859.....	26,542

The Cotton market has been unusally regular during the past year; the extreme range of prices for middling being 10¼@11c. in portions of February, May and June, and 12½@12¾c. ℔ lb in the latter part of September and the middle of April. The opening rates in September were 11¼@11½c., but they advanced ¼c. during the first three days, and ⅛@¼c. further at the close of the month. They then fell off to 11¼@11½c. in October, and to 11@11¼c. in November; improved in December to 11¼@11⅝c., but declined in February to 10¼@11c. ℔ lb. The tendency was then upward until the middle of April, when we quoted middling at 12¼@12½c., but the rates fell off to 10¾@11c. in the middle of May, and these were also our quotations during the early part of June. An advance of ⅛c. was realized about the middle of that month, and the market was steady at 11¼@11½c. during the next six weeks, when the rates further advanced to 11½@11¾c., which were the ruling figures during the latter part of July, and part of the month of August, even running lists of clean Cottons bringing a fraction above our outside quotations. Within the last few days, however, the maket has worn a drooping tendency, and lower prices have been accepted.

We quote as follows, for old crop and new crop, at the close of the year:

Inferior.....(old crop).....		6 @ 7
Ordinary..... " "		8 @ 9
Good Ordinary..... " "		9½@10
Low Middling.....(new crop)...		11 @11¼
Middling..... " "		11¼@11½
Good Middling..... " "		12 @12¼
Middling Fair..... " "		12¼@12½
Fair..... " "		—@—
Good Fair..... " "		—@—
Good and Fine..... " "		—@—

The rates for low middling, middling and good middling for each week during the year, are shown by Table 10, and those for the preceeding year by Table 12.

The rates of Freight to Liverpool, and Foreign and Domestic Exchange at this port, are given in Table 11.

Table 4 shows the receipts and exports of Cotton at this port each year for the last twenty-two years, and Table 5 the total crop each year during the same period.

The first receipt of the new crop was two bales from Texas, which arrived on the 27th of July. The first arrival last year was also from Texas, embracing two bales, on the 25th of July, two days earlier. The total receipts of new to the close of the year are 8,756 bales against 5,235 last year, 131 the year before, and 23,282 in 1852. The sales of new have amounted to about 7,000 bales, mostly at a range of 11¼@11½c. for low middling, and 12@12¼c. for middling to good middling, but closing at 11¾@12¼c. for middling to good middling.

Table 13 shows the date upon which the first bale was received at this port each year since 1844, with the receipts of new cotton to the 1st September following, and the total crop of the succeeding year.

In a subsequent part of the report are the following interesting tables showing the movement in our great staple for the past twenty years:

Receipts and exports of Cotton at New Orleans each year for Twenty-three years.

RECEIPTS. Years.	Bales.	EXPORTS. Years.	Bales.
1836–37.....	505,818	1836–37.....	588,969
1837–38.....	772,726	1837–38.....	708,313
1838–39.....	578,514	1838–39.....	579,174
1839–40.....	954,445	1839–40.....	949,320
1840–41.....	822,870	1840–41.....	821,288
1841–42.....	740,155	1841–42.....	749,267
1842–43.....	1,089,042	1842–43.....	1,088,870
1843–44.....	940,854	1843–44.....	895,375
1844–45.....	979,238	1844–45.....	884,616
1845–46.....	805,376	1845–46.....	1,065,857
1846–47.....	740,550	1846–47.....	724,508
1847–48.....	1,213,805	1847–48.....	1,054,807
1848–49.....	1,152,352	1848–49.....	1,167,303
1849–50.....	927,792	1849–50.....	938,541
1850–51.....	995,048	1850–51.....	997,458
1851–52.....	1,430,103	1851–52.....	1,435,961
1852–53.....	1,665,047	1852–53.....	1,614,131
1853–54.....	1,422,677	1853–54.....	1,424,578
1854–55.....	1,287,888	1854–55.....	1,274,029
1855–56.....	1,764,613	1855–56.....	1,795,616
1856–57.....	1,517,448	1856–57.....	1,516,922
1857–58.....	1,678,291	1857–58.....	1,560,179
1858–59.....	1,774,739	1858–59.....	1,777,168

Total crops of Cotton during the last twenty-two years.

Years.	Bales.	Years.	Bales.
1837–38.....	1,801,497	1848–49.....	2,728,595
1838–39.....	1,360,530	1849–50.....	2,066,706
1839–40.....	2,177,835	1850–51.....	2,305,266
1840–41.....	1,634,945	1851–52.....	3,015,027
1841–42.....	1,680,574	1852–53.....	3,352,889
1842–43.....	1,378,875	1853–54.....	2,930,022
1843–44.....	2,030,409	1854–55.....	2,857,388
1844–45.....	2,394,503	1855–56.....	3,527,845
1845–46.....	2,400,537	1856–57.....	2,939,519
1846–47.....	1,178,657	1857–58.....	3,113,962
1847–48.....	2,347,631	1858–59.....	3,800,000

The next great staple, almost exclusively the product of our own State, is summed up as follows:

SUGAR—The Sugar crop has been large, although the yield was reduced by the disastrous overflow which took place in the spring of 1858, and by an early fall frost, which led planters to cut and windrow their cane in the early part of November. From these causes, a loss of probably 60,000 hhds. has been sustained—that from the overflows alone being estimated at full 50,000. Still, the product has been larger than in any previous year, except in 1858, when it amounted to nearly 450,000 hhds.

Table 18 gives the production of each parish for the last two years, with the total crop, as estimated by Mr. P. A. Champonier, in his annual reports.

Table 20 exhibits the total crops of Louisiana Sugar during the last 22 years.

The receipts of Louisiana Sugar at New Orleans during the commercial year ending to-day, embrace 256,871 hhds, against 202,927 last year, 62,374 the year before, and 155,820 in 1855–56. The exports have been 107,922 hhds., against 68,227 last year, 9126 the year before, and 51,817 in 1855–56. The stock on hand in the State is about 3000 hhds., against 1500 at the close of last year.

The year opened with a small stock and full prices, fair to fully fair ranging at 9a9½c. per lb; but a large decline soon followed, and during the next three months the rulling rates were 5¾a6c. per lb. An advance of about 1c. was realized in January, but subsequently the tendency was downward, and in May and June the range was 5¼a5¾ and 6c. per lb. In July, the rates advanced to 6¼a7c., but subsequently fell off to 6¼a6¾c. per lb., and within the last few days to the range of our quotations, as follows:

Inferior.....	4 a4¾
Common to good common.....	5 a5¾
Fair to fully fair.....	6 a6¾
Prime and choice.....	6¾a7¼
Centrifugal, etc.....	6 a8
Refined.....	8¾a9

Table 21 gives the range for fair to fully fair for each month during the last two years.

The imports of foreign Sugar during the year have been light, embracing 644 hhds. and 18,106 bbls. and boxes from Cuba, and 370 boxes and bags from Brazil, against last year 1128 hhds. and 11,387 boxes and bbls. from the West Indies, and 30 boxes and bags from Brazil.

MOLASSES—Mr. Champonier estimates the yield of Molasses for the year at about 24,337,700 gallons, against 19,578,790 last year, showing an increase of 5,808,970 gallons.

The receipts at this port during the year from the interior, embrace about 353,129 bbls., against 337,119 last year, and 84,571 the year preceding. The exports have been 145,348 bbls., against 136,321 last year and 24,887 the year before.

The market opened in September at 31c. per gallon for prime reboiled, and advanced during the month to 33a34c., but fell off in October to 26a27c., advancing again to 32a34c. in February, and to 37a38c. in May. The rates declined 4a6c. in June, but advanced in July to 38a40c., fell off again in August about 2c., and close at 36a38c. per gallon.

Table 22 shows the rates for prime and choice plantation reboiled at the beginning of each month during the last two years.

The receipts of foreign Molasses in the United States for the year ending December 31, 1858, were 26,552,064 gallons, against total receipt in 1857 of 26,498,517 gallons, and the total consumption of this description in 1858 was 24,795,374 gallons, against a consumption of foreign in 1857 of 23,266,444 gallons.

Production of Sugar in each Parish in the last two years.

PARISHES.	1858—1859 No. Sugar Houses	1858—1859 Hhds. of Sugar	1857—1858 No. Sugar Hou's	1857—1858 Hhds. of Sugar
Rapides.....	36	17,133	34	11,651
Avoyelles.....	19	6,413	17	4,213
West Feliciana..	15	6,471	15	4,289
Pointe Coupee..	54	18,213	54	11,466
East Feliciana...	6	1,500	7	681
W. Baton Rouge.	54	21,633	54	15,697
E. Baton Rouge.	47	12,250	49	7,369
Iberville.....	122	38,879	125	26,055
Ascension.....	55	28,444	56	20,112
St. James.....	83	27,302	84	19,168
St. John Baptist.	63	11,271	60	11,308
St. Charles.....	34	9,146	34	10,985
Jefferson.....	24	3,143	24	7,742
Orleans and St. Bernard	24	6,566	25	4,776
Plaquemines.....	44	12,433	46	12,816
Assumption.....	148	32,725	150	22,165
Lafourche Int...	74	8,866	74	14,333
Terrebonne.....	81	22,815	80	14,600
St. Martin.....	77	13,048	171	63,160
St. Mary.....	173	44,634	71	8,002
Vermillion.....	14	862	14	791
Lafayette.....	7	1,286	8	763
St. Landry.....	44	7,388	45	5,233
Cistern Bottoms.	...	9,252	...	7,209
Total.....	1,298	362,296	1,294	279,697

Of this total of 362,296 hhds. 308,417 were brown Sugar, made by the old process, 44,578 refined, clarified, etc., and 9252 Cistern Bottoms. The weight of the crop is estimated by Mr. Chomponier at 313,796,000 pounds, against 307,666,700 pounds last year.

Crops of Louisiana Sugar for twenty-two years.

Year.	Hhds.	Year.	Hhds.
1837.....	65,000	1848.....	220,000
1838.....	70,000	1849.....	298,000
1839.....	115,000	1850.....	211,000
1840.....	87,000	1851.....	226,000
1841.....	90,000	1852.....	322,000
1842.....	140,000	1853.....	449,324
1843.....	100,000	1854.....	346,635
1844.....	200,000	1855.....	281,127
1845.....	186,000	1856.....	73,976
1846.....	148,000	1857.....	279,697
1847.....	240,000	1858.....	362,296

Prices of Fair to Fully Fair Sugar for each month during the last two years.

DATE.	1856–57	1857–58
September.....	7¼a9¼	11 a11½
October.....	5¼a7½	3¾a 5¼
November.....	5¼a6	4½a 5¼
December.....	5¾a5¾	4¾a 5¾
January.....	6¾a6¾	4 a 5
February.....	6 a7	5 a 5¾
March.....	5¾a6¼	5¼a 6¾
April.....	5¾a6¾	6¼a 7
May.....	5¼a6¼	5¼a 6¼
June.....	5¼a6	6 a 7
July.....	5¾a6¾	6½a 8¼
August.....	6 a7	9 a 9½

Prices of Prime Molasses at the Beginning of each month for the last two years.

DATE.	1856–57	1857–58
September.....	30a31	58a62
October.....	33a34	50a56
November.....	26a27	27a28
December.....	27a28	20a21
January.....	28a29	19a20
February.....	33a34	23a24
March.....	31a32½	29a30
April.....	31a32	25a27
May.....	37a38	29a31
June.....	31a34	27a29
July.....	33a35	26a28
August.....	35a40	30a32