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Town and Parish News.

—FOUR loaves of bread for five cents at V. Girard's Bakery, Jackson street.

—BARGAINS in Hardware and Agricultural Implements at Miller, Brady & Co's.

—THE Ducotah and her mocking bird whistle passed down yesterday morning.

—In the Durban murder case, the trial of which was concluded on Saturday last, a verdict of not guilty was rendered.

FOR RENT.—The two-story brick building on Front street, lately occupied by Ralph Walter. Possession given at once. Apply to Edward Weil.

—THE Texas and Pacific Railway Co. have reduced the price of tickets for Louisiana Day to Four Dollars for round trip, train leaving April 29th.

—Do you want anything in the hardware line? If so, go at once to Miller, Brady & Co's and buy what you need. Their goods are first class and their prices low.

—DR. S. H. Rushing, of this city, is prominently mentioned in connection with the appointment to the office of United States Marshal of this the Western District of Louisiana.

—FOR the 24 hours ending yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, the river at this point rose 4 3/4 inches; at that time it stood on the Government Gauge 19 feet 11 1/2 inches below high water of 1866, and 20 feet 2 1/2 inches above low water of 1881.

LOST.—At the Exchange Hall, on Thursday night, at the dance given after the Operetta performance, the gold setting out of a lancedie's cross breastpin, containing eleven diamonds. A \$50 reward will be paid for the return of the same to E. J. Sullivan, Alexandria, La.

—Messrs. Geo. Whitman and Ed. Synan, cognizant of the fact that Alexandria has long needed a skating rink, have undertaken to start such an enterprise, if we may so term it, and are going the rounds among the young men procuring signers to a subscription list. By agreement it is understood that each signer is to furnish his skates.

—THE following cases have been set for trial to-day: State vs. Jacob Irving Sr. and Jr., larceny. State vs. Sam. Cappell and Ed. Roone, arson. State vs. Frank Reeves, larceny. State vs. J. R. Helveston, robbery. State vs. J. R. Helveston, assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to murder.—State vs. B. A. Vaughn, mule stealing.

"A pebble in the streamlet dropped
Has changed the course of many
a river;
A dew drop on the baby plant,
Has warped a giant oak forever.
A liver surcharged with vicious
bile,
Off makes the boat of life careen;
It may be changed to its wanted
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—We learn that an attempt will be made at the present session of the Police Jury to increase the assessment of both the Morgan and Pacific Railroads. For the last few years neither company has had the roads assessed at more than \$4000 per mile, while in St. Landry Parish the Pacific pays \$7500 per mile. This road having 53 miles in the Parish the increased assessment will amount to quite an item.

Excursion to New Orleans via Morgan Railroad.

The Morgan Railroad Company will give the second Grand Excursion to New Orleans on Wednesday, April 29th. The train will leave here at 6:30 a. m. and arrive in New Orleans at 4:45 p. m.—Tickets will be on sale April 28th, at Four Dollars for the round trip. The excursion train returning will leave New Orleans, Sunday morning, May 3d.

—THE dance given at the residence of Mr. Henry Blanchard, at Cotile, on Friday evening last, in honor of Miss Vance, of New Orleans, was a long to be remembered affair and heartily enjoyed by all who were fortunate enough to be present. Among those who joined the merry throng was Hon. Newton C. Blanchard, who stopped off on his way to his home in the city of Shreveport. The music was furnished by Messrs. Chas. Moore, Jr., and Louis Gossens, of the Alexandria String Band.

—Mr. John C. Goulden was yesterday busily engaged in lettering the beautiful silken banner to be presented to the Juvenile Pacific Fire Co., as follows: "Presented by Mrs. C. Geiger to Juvenile Pacific No. 2, April 28, 1885. Young, But Willing." When completed the banner will be a beautiful piece of work, and we cannot bestow too high praise on Mrs. G. for the kindly interest manifested in our little firemen.

What Prohibition Has Done for Rapides.

We clip the following from the New Orleans *City Item*, of date April 19th. It will prove of interest to those who favor and support prohibition, and will good cheer to the members of the W. T. T. U.:

The report of the Grand Jury of Rapides Parish to Judge Blackman is an interesting and gratifying document. The jury informs the Court that their duties and responsibilities have been very much lightened by the decrease of crime. That out of sixty-two cases presented twenty-seven were ignored and true bills found in the others for comparatively trivial offenses. "The public," says the report "have certainly cause to congratulate themselves on the continued decrease of crimes in our midst, where riot and bloodshed no longer stain our fair land." A comparison with the work laid before the last Grand Jury sustains this hopeful view. Then some of the most heinous crimes known to the law occupied the grand inquest while the investigations at the present term of Court have been chiefly confined to petty offences. The sheriff reports that but for some old cases left over, "the jail could have been opened, as a sail to the breeze."

Now, the Jury declares, and their testimony is amply corroborated by abundance of evidence, that Rapides Parish in general, and Alexandria in particular, owe this gratifying change for the better to the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors. In that Parish, as in every other in the State, the gravest crimes, such as murder, public brawling, and even robbery, are committed by the poor victims of a depraved appetite for strong drink. Where drunkenness is tolerated, disorder prevails; but where temperance rules, decency and peace have their permanent abiding place.

What has been done in Rapides might be done here as well and with as gratifying results. Could we relieve the docket of our Criminal Courts from the cases provoked directly or indirectly by rum, one judge would be sufficient and the position would be comparatively a sinecure to what both judges now find it. Cut off from the Parish Prison the entries on account of rum, and we should soon have there rooms to rent. The police force, now found so inadequate, would, were the city put under a strict regimen of temperance, be more than sufficient; and the officers of the force, many of whom are now fearfully addicted to drinking, would soon be known as models of good behavior.

The people of Rapides now boast that they really have a Sabbath, a day of rest, and not of tumult and desecration. They can take their little ones anywhere without subjecting them to the horrible sight of drunken blasphemers who, maddened by liquor, are making every place of public resort an intolerable nuisance. We indulge the hope that at no distant hope the Grand Jury of this Parish may have occasion to repeat the cheerful and hopeful congratulations of the inquest of Rapides. We may not hope for absolute prohibition, but there well may and should be regulations to restrict and control the present wide-spread habit of drinking to excess at all times and in nearly all places. Dissipation is both dangerous and disagreeable. It is moreover fearfully expensive to the individual and the community, while temperance is safe, economical, and altogether desirable.—What it has done for Rapides it will do for Orleans or any other Parish that gives it a trial.

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Sheriff's Sale.

Abraham Heyman }
vs. John S. Butler. } No. 3123.

Twelfth Judicial District Court, Parish of Rapides, La.

By virtue of and in obedience to an order of sale issued by the Honorable the Twelfth Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of Rapides, La., in the above numbered and entitled suit commanding me to sell in accordance with law the property now under seizure in said suit, I shall offer for sale at public auction, at the Clio plantation, on Bayou Rapides, in Rapides Parish, La., between the hours prescribed by law, on

Saturday, the 2d day of May, A. D. 1885,

the following described property, to-wit:—

A certain tract of land or plantation situated on the right descending bank of Bayou Rapides, in Rapides Parish, La., and known as the Clio plantation, bounded above by lands of Benjamin Cooper, formerly the Sasser place, and below and in the rear by the Evariste Archinard place, fronting on Bayou Rapides, guaranteed to contain not less than four hundred acres of land, together with all the seed cane now on said Clio plantation, as also the blacksmith and carpenter's tools, and all farming implements now on said Clio plantation, as well as all the household and kitchen furniture now in the said Clio plantation residence, and the following personal property, to-wit:

- Six Mules,
- Four Head of Cattle,
- Five Cane Wagons,
- One Wagon,
- Three Carts.

Also another tract of land in the same Parish and State, being the North (1/2) half of Section two in Township three, North Range two West, containing three hundred and eighteen 90-100 acres.

Also another tract of land in same Parish and State, being the lot or South (1/2) quarter of Section forty-three in Township four, North Range two West, containing one hundred and forty-seven acres;—the two last described tracts constituting the wood land belonging to the said Clio plantation.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash, subject to appraisalment. D. C. PAUL, Sheriff.

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