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-THE idea that a newspaper man should not hold office is ridiculous.

-FATHER Abram J. Ryan, the poet priest of the South, died at Louisville on the 22nd inst.

-Sheriff Duson, of St. Landry, will pay \$250 for proof that the burning of the Courthouse was accidental.

-Monroe can afford to put on airsshe is to have a cotton compress, an oil mill, and last though not least, a boss base ball club.

-The credit system, says Bro. Porter,

of the Natchitoches Review, is without doubt, the greatest curse that afflicts the people of this State. -THE Circuit system of this State, says the Ruston Caligraph, is a nuisance. It is

about as much service to the judiciary system as the fifth wheel would be to a with Mr. A. J. Lafargue on the Marks-

ville Bulletin. The pair will wake up things, editorially speaking, in that section from now out. -THE Shreveport Times thinks that the Louisiana State University should be

abolished, but if it is to exist sayeth that wise journal, we think Alexandria has every right to it. -When the Shreveport Times says:

"One man, a negro, has been convicted in Rapides of retailing liquor without a licencse"-that paper errs. Let the editor read Mr. Wickliffe's report in this issue. -"T'LL attend to it soon." Don't cheat

yourself in that way. Your hair is growing thinner, dryer and more lifeless every day. Save it and restore its original color, softness and gloss by using Parker's Hair Balsam while you may. -THE salaries of the Town officials of

Natchitoches range as follows: Mayor \$200 per year; Treasurer, \$150; City Mar-

convictions and 36 acquittals. Of those convicted, 5 were for murder, 2 for perjury, concealed weapons 29, rape 1, arson 1, retailing liquor without license 1.

-THOS. H. Handy and others, in the official journal of the State, give due notice of their intention to secure a charter for the Louisiana and Shreveport Lottery Company, at the session of the Legislature in May. Their capital to be one million dollars, and such right and privilege to continue until the year 1895, if not taken away at any general State election. Same shall be subject to the payment of

their own credit and that of the State. To do this, and no more, would bring golden opinions from the people and the crediters of the State .- [Farmerville Gazette.

friends there are pressing his claims to re cognition by the government. He says-"Senator Gibson called upon the President the moment he heard Judge Thomas C. Manning had not been re-appointed, particular place, commended him strongly and earnestly to the consideration of the president as worthy of any appointment president as worthy of any appointment in the gift of the administration, and as a representative of the Democracy of Louisiana, especially of the Red river valley."

THE EFFECTS OF PROHIBITION IN RAPIDES.

In conformity to the following reso ution of the Police Jury, introduced by Judge J. R. Thornton, District Atrish since its adoption in July, 1884:

this Judicial District is hereby requested to submit to this body a written report as to the practical result of the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquor in this Parish, with reference to the enfercement of the law in the Courts, the estimate of the cost to the Parish of prosecutions, and the effect of the prohibition as to the increased diminution of those crimes which are frequently committed by parties whill under the influence of intoxicating liquors. REPORT OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHN C. WICKLIFFE.

To the Honorable the President and Members of the Police Jury of the Parish of Rapides:—

Rapides:—
GENTLEMEN—I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the resolution of your honorable body, passed April 20th, 1886, (a copy of which is hereto attached,) requesting me to report to you the effect of "prohibition upon the criminal docket of this Parish, and an estimate of the amount that the prosecution for violations of the prohibition have cost the Parish of Rapides." In response to that resolution I beg leave to submit the following:

resolution I beg leave to addition upon lowing:

As to the effect of prohibition upon crime I do not pretend to give an opinion. I simply submit to you the following statistics, taken from the criminal records of your Parish, showing the number of cases disposed of April 1, 1882 to April 1, 1884, and from April 1, 1884 to April 1, 1886, the prohibition ordinance having been adopted in May, 1884. Offenses against propered in May, 1884. ed in May, 1884. Offenses against proper-ty are not so influenced, consequently an increase of indictments for offences against THE Circuit system of this State, says the Ruston Caligraph, is a nuisance. It is about as much service to the judiciary system as the fifth wheel would be to a wagon.

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THE Shreveport Times thinks that the tal 42. An increase of 14 cases of offenses against property, showing in my opinion, an increased vigilance of Grand Juries.
In the two years preceding April 1st, 1884, there were disposed of the following cases of offenses against persons: Assault and battery 12, assault with weapons intent to kill 13, manslaughter 4, murder 15, assault with intent to murder 9. Total 53. In the two years following April 1, 1884, there were disposed of the following cases of offences against persons: Assault and battery 9, murder 4, assault with intent to kill 11, wounding less than mayhem 1. Total 32. A decrease of 21 cases against persons, although there was an increased vigilance on the part of the grand juries. I beg leave to particularly call your at-

I beg leave to particularly call your attention to the crime of murder. Before prohibition 15 eases, since prohibition 4 cases—decrease 11 cases. Prior to the passage of the prohibition ordinance each Gaand Jury of your Parish had reported to it and examined about 180 cases. The last Grand Jury had reported to it and ex-amined 75 cases. Prior to the passage of the prohibition ordinance each Grand Ju-\$200 per year; Treasurer, \$150; City Marshall \$360; City Attorney \$80. A special
fund is laid aside for the Fire Dopartment
of \$200, \$350 for the streets, \$400 for sewerage.

—The "Fencibles" is the name of a
military company organized in Baton
Review Our years friend Wm M Rhos. military company organized in Baton Rouge. Our young friend, Wm. M. Rhodus, who was here in Alexandria a few years back in the employ of Lane & Hazlehurst holds an important office in the above organization.

—It must pay to be boycotted in Morgan City. An attempt of this kind was rocently made on the Free Press there, but did not work worth a cent. To the contrary it worked in that journal's favor, as another printer had to be employed in the office—business improved at once.

One of our best informed contemps.

-One of our best informed contempo-in the Louisiana, with 58 parises tells us that Louisiana, with 58 percentage of convictions is higher than the parishes, expends annually upon her judicial system \$28,000 more than the State dicial system \$28,000 more than dicial system \$28,000 more than the State of Mississippi, with 98 counties. Our confere further adds that it is well to inquire into the causes of such a striking disparity.

—JUDGE E. North Cullom has written a very sensible communication to the editor of Marksville Bullelin, on the building of a court-house in the above named place. He favors the erection of a new building for that purpose, and is opposed to the contemplated patching up of the old rickety building there that has been in use for nearly half a century.

—DISTRICT Attorney D. C. Scarborough, of Natchitoches Parish, has recently compiled a statistical table of the crimes committed in the above named Parish from June 1st, 1884, to date, and sent it to the Attorney-General. By it we see that the total number of cases tried was 132; 96 convictions and 36 acquittals. Of those

lating the per centage of convictions in whisky cases I have used 18 as the numwhile yeases disposed of, while in estimating the cost of the prosecutions I have used 22 as the number of prosecutions.—
This is explained by the fact that in four eases there was a mistrial, the jury being unable to agree. I have the honor to be, gentlemen, very

respectfully, your obedient servant,
JOHN C. WICKLIFFE,
District Attorney Twelfth Judicial District of Louisiana.

Notice to Masons.

Prof. Will Willie, who it will be remembered by the members of our Lodge, was here in 1878 or 1879, and who made an un-\$40,000 annually into the State treasury.

—We suggest to our worthy general assembly that the organize and receive the Governor's message, that they abstain from the tinkering of our laws and refrain from the interviewing of John Barley Corn. That they adjourn within ten days after organization, and thereby save their own credit and that of the State. ure to thwart his designs upon the frater-nity in that State. The Professor stands To do this, and no more, would bring goiden opinions from the people and the creditors of the State.—[Farmerville Gazette.

—The Washington correspondent of the Picayune says that Judge T. C. Manning's the Picayune says that Judge T. C. Manning's the F. & A. M.—[Lake Charles & Echo.]

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Messrs. J. H. Scull & Bro., Pine Bluff, Ark., says: We enclose herewith a few testimonials on Hughes' Tonic. So far as and, without presenting his name for any narticular place, commended him strongly satisfaction than any other chill tonic w have sold. The increase in our sales, both wholesale and retail, is an indication that

COURTS OF APPEAL.

We have in the State of Louisiana six Courts of Appeal, composed of two judges each, and their annual salaries aggregate \$48,000. Outside of New Orleans there are five Courts of Appeal, and a great torney J. C. Wickliffe submitted the deal of the time of the judges is consumed report below. It shows clearly just to traveling from one courthouse to an what prohibition has done for our Pa- other. Under the Constitution of 1868, all appeals in cases where the amount in dispute exceeded the sum of \$500, were Resolved, That the District Attorney of his Judicial District is hereby requested ways kept up with its work in the coun-

try parishes. It now takes a Supreme Court of five ndges and five Courts of Appeal of ten judges to try appeal cases in the country Schnack's. Parishes. The additional appeals allowed by law are in cases where the amount in dispute exceeds \$100 and does not exceed \$500, which are counterbalanced by the lecrease in litigation since 1879. While we believe that it is necessary that there should be an Appellate Court, not only to relieve the Supreme Court, but to try cases where the amount involved would not justify the expense of trasnscript, printed briefs, etc., we think that outside of the city of New Orleans, one Court of Appeals, consisting of three Judges, would be sufficient to try all the cases that are now appealable to the five Courts of Appeal. Instead of traveling from courtouse to courthouse, the court should sit at Monroe, Shreveport, Alexandria and Opelousas twice each year, for trial of cases on the original records from the District Court. The salaries of the Judges should be \$5000 each, a saving of \$25,000 per annum as compared with the present system. The jurisdiction of this Court of Appeals should be increased to \$3000 .-The establishment of such a Court of Ap peals would enable the Supreme Court of the State to dispose of all cases within its appellate jurisdiction at its session in New Orleans, which might begin in October

and extend to Jane. Such a consummation would doubtless eliminate from our future reports "saddle bag" or "country" opinions, which do not rank very high as authority, at least in the estimation of the New Orleans bar. In fact, and truth, the oppressive heat of July and August, kerosene lamps and voracious mosquitoes are not (in the language of the lamented Justice S-) "con ducive to a judicial frame of mind." Under such circumstances, it is not strange that "Homer sometimes nods." The cor solidation of the Courts of Appeal would secure uniformity of jurisprudence and its

Bench of the State, will enter the political arena and make the race against Mch 24-6t. Congressman Blanchard for Represen tative of the Fourth District. Notwithstanding the enviable popularity W. M. Tuer

tion of the people, and either is a fair to satisfy a judgment in the above enti-representative of the intelligence of the intelligence of the District."

to satisfy a judgment in the above enti-tled cause, I have seized and will offer for sale, in front of the Justice's Court, be-tween legal hours, on

Mr. J. M. Norris, an old resident of great many years—at times could scarcely walk and had tried many remedies withont benefit, until he began taking Electric Bitters and anointing his hands and feet with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. This treatment afforded him great relief and he strongly recommends Electric Bitters or need a Blood Purifier. Sold by Jacob

-THE following bit of news we find it the Monroe Bulletin of the 21st inst. We tell Bro. Gayle that we think he is slight- importance to be transcted. ly mistaken. Judge Manning is going to practice law in New Orleans, where he has hosts of friends, Fand where a large practice is assured him-and then another thing-if Judge Manning was a candi folks would know something of it. Tell us Mr. Bulletin, where you learned this: We learn that Judge Manning will be a candidate for Congress in the Fourth district. If he does enter the race, he will, no doubt, make it lively for Mr. Blanchard, who had a walk over at the

-ONE "Emile Landner, formerly SHORTEST LINE to NEW ORLEAN and ALL POINTS in Louisiana, connected with the Louisiana Lottery Company," has given notice in the Capitolian-Advocate of his intention to Favorite Line to the North, East apply to the coming Legislature for a charter for the "Southern Lottery Company of Louisiana," with a capital of \$500,000, the charter to continue until 1895 .- Shreveport Daily

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-THE District Court at Shreveport decided that under authority of Act No. 66 of 1874, commonly known as the Courts of the Parishes of Rapides, the "pledge law," the lessor's privi-Grant, Natchitoches, Sabine, St. Lanlege is superior in rank to that of the dry and Avoyelles. furnisher of supplies.

-By the sugar crop report of the CAPITAL PRIZE, - - \$75,000 Picayune, published Monday, we learn that Rapides produced 3160 hogsheads of sugar and 5205 barrels of molasses. Being reduced to pounds the yield of sugar was 3,792,000 pounds, 3,004,000 pounds being open kettle and 688,000 pounds clarified sugar. Of the molasses 4205 barrels were open kettle and 1000 barrels centrifugal. The average yield of sugar per acre was 2.03 hogsheads.

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NOTICE.

LAND OFFICE AT NATCHITOCHES, LA., March 18, 1886. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof secure uniformity of jurisprudence and its decisions would have almost equal weight with those of the Supreme Court. Discretionary power should be vested in this Court of Appeals to certify to the Supreme Cont difficult or novel questions of law.—[Communication in Shreveport Times.

—WE find the following complimentary notice of Judge Thomas C. Manning in the Ruston Caligraph:—

"It is said that Judge Manning, who has just retired from the Supreme Supreme Governmentary notice of Judge Thomas C. Manning in the Ruston Caligraph:—

"It is said that Judge Manning, who has just retired from the Supreme Governmentary notice of Judge Thomas C. Township 5, North Range 4 West, Louisiana meridian, and names the following as his witnessees, viz: Jeff Jefferson, John Dixon, Louis Dearborn, Samuel Tucker, of Alexandria Post Office, and of Rapides Parish, Louisiana. Parish, Louisiana

W. E. RUSSELL, Register.

Constable's Sale.

C. W. WARD.

Parish of Rapides, Justice Court, Rigolet Ward.

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NOTICE.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., April 22, 1886.

President.

The stockholders of the Rapides Ceme tery Association are earnestly requested to all who suffer with Kidney Complaints to meet at the Town Hall, at the annual neeting to be held on

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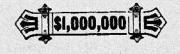
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, before the Honorable Judge, or in his absence, the Clerk of the District Court, at Alexandria, La., on the 22d day of May, 1886, and secure final entry thereof at the expiration of thirty days from the date of this notice, viz: Homestead Entry No. 1392 and additional entry No. 3011—Benjamin G. Pow-0,000 [4], for the North half of North-West quarter, South-East quarter of North-West quarter, and North-West quarter of North-Range 4 West, Louisiana meridian, and names the following as his witheseos, viz: B. G. Cleveland, Eli Cleveland, Alen Lewis and William Ward, of Cotile P. O. La. W. E. RUSSELL, P. O. La. April 21, 1886-6t. W. E. RUSSELL,

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be introduced at the next session of the
Legislature, in May, 1886, to exempt the
citizens of the city of Alexandria, La from the payment of Parish taxes.
T. CRAWLEY, Mayor.

E. WEIL, J. F. GARNER, L. B. Baynard, DEnnis Kelly. Jonas Rosenthal, Councilmen. Mch 31.-30d.

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