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—Valentines at Ferguson's, Jeweler.

--It used to be said that Henry Clay never got off his base. But the railroads, with the permission and assistance of the City Council, of New Orleans, pulled him off it last week.

—Comic and sentimental Valentines at Ferguson's, Jeweler.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE.—The LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT and Semi-Weekly *World*, one year for $1.50. The LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT and Detroit *Free Press* one year for $1.50. The LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT and Louisville *Courier Journal* one year for $1.60. The LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT and Semi-Weekly *St. Louis Republic* for $1.60. The LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT and *Home and Farm* one year for $1.10. The above are splendid combinations, any one of them being worth ten times the price of subscription.

—War has not yet materialized between Mexico and Guatemala, but the victorious Japanese are gradually marching—encountering but little opposition from the Chinese armies—towards the capital of the Celestial empire, which they will finally reach and capture, unless the preliminaries of a peaceful solution should be agreed upon in the interval. Whatever the result, it will be humiliating in the extreme to the Chinese, as they will be compelled to pay a very large indemnity, if they are not actually forced to relinquish a portion of their territory.

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THE FINANCIAL BILL REJECTED.—As we expected and predicted, the House of Representatives last week, rejected by a decisive vote the bill formulated upon the recommendation of President Cleveland, for the relief of the Treasury. The President has done all in his power to prevent financial disaster and the responsibility for his failure rests entirely upon the shoulders of the recalcitrant silverites and obstinate Republicans, who can discern no possible good to result from the adoption of any recommendation made by a Democratic President.

ANOTHER SPECIAL MESSAGE.—President Cleveland has transmitted a second special message to Congress relative to the financial situation, advising that Body that continued inaction will necessitate another and immediate issue of $62,400,000 four per cent. bonds, for the purpose of maintaining the gold reserve, of which the Treasury is being rapidly depleted. It is safe to predict, however, that there is but little patriotism pervading the breast of the average congressman and that the "free silverites," under the leadership of Dick Bland, will not hesitate to bankrupt the country, in order to defeat any recommendation of the President calculated to produce financial relief, thereby rendering necessary an extra session of the Republican congress.

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NEWSPAPER DESTROYED BY FIRE.—The building containing it and the outfit of the Boyce *Enterprise*, owned and published at Boyce, in this parish, by Mr. N. G. Watts, was entirely destroyed by fire about 7 o'clock last Thursday morning. The loss falls heavily upon Mr. Watts, as he had no insurance upon it. He thinks the fire was accidental and originated from the stove, in which he had kindled a fire a short time previous to the alarm and had gone to another portion of the town to transact some other business. He estimates his loss at $600, but thinks that he will be able to re-establish his paper. Mr. Watts also lost all of his clothing, except the suit which he wore at the time. By the strenuous exertions of the citizens, who immediately repaired to the scene of the fire upon the sounding of the alarm, it was confined to the *Enterprise* building, which belonged to the Joyner Bros., was valued at $125 and was also uninsured.

LLOYD DOTS.

Mr. R. L. Walker was a visitor to Alexandria on Monday.

Mr. J. L. Compton returned home from Franklin last week to remain.

Mr. H. H. Ferguson, of Lloyd, is visiting friends in Jackson.

It has been many years since the mercury has registered as low as during the past week. Wednesday but was like an April day. About night fall the wind began to blow from the west and by daylight it was bitterly cold—the mercury having dropped to 12°. The wind blew fierce all day and on Friday at sun rise the mercury stood at 8°—the lowest, a great many of us ever knew it. The cane men have one more blow struck them. They fear the stubble is so badly injured as to make it unprofitable to cultivate it. And then, too, the Lloyd *Gazette* says the bounty is a "dead note." Poor old sugar cane.

Master Albert Lewis' many friends were pleased to see his smiling face at Lloyd last Saturday and Sunday.

It is somewhat strange and very amusing to some people that some of the young ladies of the present day find a very striking resemblance between some of the beaux of our times and a "Tom cat." Now, we have always thought the "Thomas cat" an uninteresting, belligerent looking specimen, and fear the lads resembling him must have been in a very bad humor. Be warned, gentlemen, and cultivate amiability.

There is a merry "jingle" in the air. It must be wedding bells.

"Two souls with but a single thought,
Two hearts that beat as one"

It is pleasant to know that there are men brave enough to enter into matrimony in the face of such hard times. Surely he intends to leave Sugar Cane alone, and "a sadder but a wiser man" return to the Fleecy staple. M —— you have our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations, long life and happiness to you and your fair bride.

And as we are on the subject matrimonial, I will just remark that after all the misfortunes that have befallen the sugar planters there is a prominent gentleman of that profession on Bayou Boeuff, (and one old enough to know better too) contemplating the same thing.

Mr. W. R. Simms, who lost his house by fire two weeks ago has rebuilt and moved into his new house.

Mr. Ed. Seymour was a visitor to Lloyd last week.

Mr. C. M. Wells' little family or family of "little people" are quite sick with "Grippe." We trust they will soon be quite well.

"Valentine's day" will soon be with us and the dainty little missiles of love will soon be carrying sweet messages of love to absent ones. 'Tis sweet to think when we are separated from those dear to us that we can hold pleasant converse with them through the mails, and yet how sadly disappointed we are when the direct message comes, "no letter."

BUSY BEE.

Feb. 11, 1895.

—Millionaire Cleveland enjoys the distinction of being the richest President of the United States. He is also the only President that ever speculated on Wall street. —Monroe Bulletin.

It is a very easy matter to formulate newspaper charges against a public official, but it is much more difficult to produce legal proof in substantiation of such charges. Now, while we have a contrary opinion on the subject, if our esteemed brother of the *Bulletin* will be kind enough to make public his authority for the statement, that Mr. Cleveland is the richest President of the United States and the only one who ever speculated on Wall street, we may possibly, if it is convincing, conclude that he is correct and has not been animated in the publication of same, by a desire to fill up space in his paper or manufacture political capital against the President. We have always been under the impression—whether well founded or not—that the "Father of His Country" was the richest President of the United States.

Mardi Gras.

Excursion tickets will be sold to New Orleans on account of Mardi Gras, at rate of one fare for the round-trip on February 23d, 24th and 25th; limited for return passage to March 18th 1895. For further information, call upon ticket agent of Texas & Pacific Railway.

Circuit Court of Appeals.

TUESDAY, FEB. 5.

The Circuit Court of Appeals, Third Circuit of Louisiana, met in and for the parish of Rapides, in accordance with law, Their Honors, Judges Blackman and Lewis presiding.

Jules P. Turregano vs. Nathan Mayer. Brief filed by both parties and case submitted without argument.

D. T. Stafford, tax collector, vs. Geo. A. Staples. Motion to dismiss appeal filed by plaintiff. Brief filed by plaintiff.

John S. Sullivan vs. Joseph Sterkx. Motion for rehearing filed by defendant.

H. A. Boyce, Ex r. vs. J. W. Ford, Jos. Hoy, Tutor, warrantor. This case argued orally by Robert P. Hunter for defendant and warrantor, and by L. J. Hakenyos for plaintiff, and submitted on the briefs filed.

John S. Sullivan vs. Joseph Sterkx. Case argued orally by R. P. Hunter for plaintiff and L. J. Hakenyos for defendant and submitted on the briefs filed.

D. T. Stafford, Sheriff, vs. Geo. A. Staples. Case argued orally by L. J. Hakenyos for plaintiff and J. F. Arilail for defendant.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6.

The Court of Appeals met pursuant to adjournment, Judges Blackman and Lewis presiding.

Geo. O. Watts vs. F. M. Welch. This case argued orally by E. G. Hunter for defendant and submitted on the briefs in the record.

Dennis McManus vs. Texas & Pacific Railroad Company. This case argued orally by R. P. Hunter for plaintiff and by M. C. Moseley for defendant, and submitted on briefs in the record.

THURSDAY, FEB. 7TH.

The Court met pursuant to adjournment, Judges Blackman and Lewis presiding.

Vincent Scott, Treasurer, etc., vs. Wash Figgins. This case argued orally by Julius F. Arilail for plaintiff and by W. W. Whittington and L. J. Hakenyos for defendant and submitted on the briefs in the record.

Spencer R. Thorpe vs. Dennis McManus. Motion on rehearing on motion to recuse Judge Blackman, filed by plaintiff. Resignation of J. G. White as Judge *ad hoc* filed. Motion to disallow and strike out, and disallow motion for rehearing, filed by defendant. Case continued by order of the court.

FRIDAY FEB. 8TH.

The Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit met pursuant to adjournment, their Honors Judges Blackman and Lewis presiding.

John S Sullivan vs Joseph Sterkx. Re-hearing refused.

Jules P Turregano vs Nathan Mayer. On re-hearing. Ordered that the judgment heretofore rendered remain undisturbed.

H A Boyce, Executor vs J W Ford, Jos Hoy, Tutor, Warrantor. Judgment of lower Court affirmed in so far as it decrees the right of Plaintiff to recover the land sued for. Further ordered that that part of the judgment condemning the Tutor Warrantor to pay defendant the value of the land is reversed and set aside. Further ordered that the case be remanded to the lower Court to be reopened as between the defendant and warrantor for the introduction of evidence and such amendment of Tutor's answer as the facts require. Plaintiff to recover cost in both Courts.

Joseph Aertker vs Albert Booze. Judgment of lower Court affirmed with costs in both Court.

D T Stafford Sheriff and Tax Collector vs Geo A Staples. Appeal dismissed at appellants costs.

SATURDAY FEB. 9TH.

The Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, their Honors Judges Blackman and Lewis, presiding, met pursuant to adjournment.

Vincent Scott Treasurer, et als vs Wash Figgins. Re-hearing granted.

Geo O Watts vs F M Welch. Judgment of the lower Court amended and increased so that Plaintiff recover from Defendant the sum of $500, 8 per cent. interest and attorneys fees.

Dennis McManus vs Texas and Pacific Railway Co. Judgment of lower Court reversed, with judgment in favor of Defendant. Plaintiff's suit dismissed at his cost in both Courts.

The Postal Telegraph Co.

The Postal Telegraph Co., which is soon to open an office in our city, is making all the necessary arrangements to string their wires at an early day. The poles have been received for a portion of the line, and have all been distributed between this city and St. Catharine creek, (where the camp is) along the Washington road. It is the purpose of the company, so it is said, to start the work of building their line at the Natchez end and work eastwardly to the main connection on the route of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad. It is believed that after the Postal establishes its office in this city, it will lay a cable across the Mississippi river at this point, and extend its wires to Alexandria, La., a consummation most devoutly to be wished, and then Natchez will be always assured of connection, by telegraph, with the outside world under any and all circumstances.—Natchez Democrat.

Lands Belonging to Louisianians in Texas.

We know of many thousand acres of land in Texas awaiting the rightful owners, who are living or ought to live in Louisiana and who went to Texas. Write to Yeagley Bros., Denton, Texas or their Agent, Gen. Geo O. Watts, Alexandria, La., and you will soon be informed about your lands. Nearly all persons who went to Texas in an early day had lands granted to their heirs.

PROGRESS OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

The Cause Has Advanced Twenty Years In The Past Twelve Months.

The past year has been one momentous in results to the advocates of equal suffrage. A brief recapitulation is sufficient to show that the cause has advanced 20 years in the past 12 months through practical illustration of the workings of political equality. In less progressive localities the question has been discussed and public interest aroused, which is the first step toward actual results.

In November, 1893, the women of New Zealand were enfranchised, voting at all the elections for all candidates. They secured the return of better men in several districts than had ever been elected before and ordained the retirement of others who, they claimed, did not represent the best social and political elements and were prejudicial to the best interests of the colony. Having been qualified to vote, they disbanded their franchise league and organized the Political Educational league and have devoted their time to a careful study of colonial politics. One amusing feature of the year in New Zealand has been a stormy debate in parliament as to their eligibility to membership in that important body. The women themselves had expressed no desire for such advancement, but the honorable members, anticipating this finally, were looking the inevitable in the face.

The example of New Zealand proving so salutary, the enfranchisement of women was also discussed in both the parliament of Victoria and New South Wales, in both of which colonies it will probably be adopted during the present year. In the Hawaiian republic the representative women of Honolulu, headed by Mrs. Whitney, the wife of the editor of The Pacific Advertiser; Mrs. W. O. Hall and Mrs. W. C. Wilder, wife of the vice president, and ably counseled by the Hon. Lorin C. Thurston, made an appeal for the franchise under the constitution. The forces of conservatism were too strong to be overcome at once, but they secured a provision for the extension of the franchise in the future by popular vote instead of by an amendment of the constitution.

In the United States a year of unprecedented activity among women was introduced by the citizens of New York, headed by Mrs. Stanton and Miss Anthony, to have the word "male" stricken from the constitution. While the main purpose was defeated, the contest was of incalculable benefit in enlightening the public mind and solidifying the suffrage forces. More than 500,000 names of representative men and women were appended to the petition submitted to the constitutional convention. Women of social influence and of the highest culture and position opened their houses for suffrage meetings, in which they personally participated. Permanent organizations, of which these women are still the leaders, are continuing the work of agitation and education, which they will not relinquish until they have entirely accomplished what they have pledged themselves to do.

In Wyoming and North Dakota women superintendents of public instruction were elected. The campaign in Colorado was a revolution against the old established political methods. The women carried on the most brilliant meetings everywhere, organized clubs, and by precept and example induced the men to do their part. They cast 60 per cent of the entire vote of the state. They elected as their own representatives Mrs. A. J. Peavey, state superintendent of public instruction, and Mesdames Klock and Cressingham members of the general assembly.

In Illinois each party nominated a woman candidate for university trustee, an office for which women were entitled to vote. The women were thoroughly organized, having the co-operation of their respective state central committees, and were furnished with headquarters and others facilities for carrying on their work. Meetings were held that were largely attended, the most notable of which was that in Central Music hall on the evening of Oct. 10. Nearly 50,000 women registered and voted in spite of discouraging and confusing legal complications. As in New York, the greatest interest was shown among the educated classes, women of position and culture taking a profound interest in the campaign, working and voting for their chosen candidate. The Republican candidate was elected by something like 151,000 majority, and the event was celebrated by one of the most brilliant banquets ever given in Chicago.

The vote upon the suffrage amendment in Kansas was in the negative, but this, as in New York, is only a temporary defeat. In Nebraska also there was much interest, clubs being formed for political discussion and work which must result in future good. In view of all these facts it can no longer be asserted that women do not want to vote, and that they would not vote if they could. Wherever they have been permitted to take part in practical politics—in New Zealand, New York, Colorado or Illinois—a marked and unmistakable change for the better has been brought about. With the present rapid change in public opinion their enfranchisement throughout the whole civilized world is a matter of but a few years.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Mrs. Celia Whipple Wallace.

Mrs. Celia Whipple Wallace, the wealthy Chicago woman who has bought the beautiful Tiffany chapel that attracted so much attention at the World's fair, is a woman remarkable for her business ability and executive power. Much of her time and money is devoted to the advancement of women, but she is so averse to anything that savors of publicity that she refuses to come before the public if she can possibly avoid it. Mrs. Wallace bought the Tiffany chapel with the purpose in mind of presenting it to some church or institution as a memorial to the Wallace family. The price paid for the chapel was $50,000.—Chicago Post.

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Parish of Rapides—Tenth Judicial District Court.

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To Whom It May or Doth Concern:—

Notice is hereby given that Moab L. Ryland, Administrator of the above numbered and entitled Succession, has this day filed his partial account and that if there be no opposition filed thereto within the delays required by law, that said partial account will be duly homologated and he will be authorized and empowered to distribute the money in accordance therewith.

By order of the Court.

L. S. Given under my hand and seal as Deputy Clerk, this February 5th, A. D. 1895.

C. M. KILPATRICK,
Deputy Clerk.

Feb. 6-2t.

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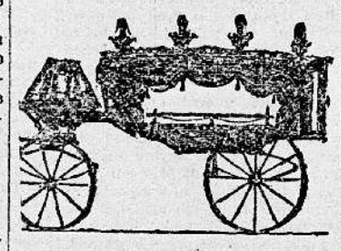

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