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No. 51 Departs:	3:15 a. m.

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Passenger No 1—	11:00 a. m.
Arrives at Alexandria:	3:45 p. m.
Freight No 3—	12:30 p. m.
Arrives at Alexandria:	6:00 a. m.
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Leaves Alexandria:	6:00 a. m.
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ALEXANDRIA, LA.

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GEO. O WATTS
NOTARY PUBLIC
—and—
REAL ESTATE BROKER,
ALEXANDRIA, LA.

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WILBUR R. SMITH, LEXINGTON, KY.



COMMERCIAL COLLEGE OF KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY.

WILBUR R. SMITH, PRESIDENT, LEXINGTON, KY.

Reference—1000 successful graduates, in various lines of business.

Award of Medal and Diploma at World's Exposition, St. Louis, Mo., 1904.

A Thorough, Intellectual and Honored College. Hundreds of students in attendance.

Business Course consists of Book-keeping, Business Arithmetic, Penmanship, Commercial Law, Merchandising, Banking, Joint Stock, Manufacturing, Lectures, Business Practice, Mercantile Correspondence, etc.

Short-hand, Typewriting and Telegraphy are specialties; have special teachers and rooms, and can be taken alone or with the Business Course.

Situations.—The demand for our graduates in all lines of business is increasing.

The Principal of the Photographic Department is endorsed as an accurate and practical stenographer in taking verbatim reports.

The Principal of the Telegraphic Department of this college was for a number of years, and as a good English scholar, endorsed by the U. S. R. R. and whose qualification is endorsed by the U. S. R. R. and whose qualification is endorsed by the U. S. R. R.

The Kentucky University Diploma, under seal, is awarded the graduates of this college.

Kentucky University is the outgrowth of the Transylvania University of One Hundred Years ago. Assets over \$100,000.

Literary Course Free. Students of this college are entitled to the use of the library of the University of Kentucky.

No vacation. Enter now. Graduates successful. For circulars address his President.

HEAR What a Prominent Citizen and Liveryman HAS TO SAY ABOUT DR. SYLVESTER'S CELEBRATED SPECIFIC

FOR BOTS, COLIC AND TYMPANITES IN HORSES, MULES AND COWS.

I have used Dr. Sylvester's Specific for Bots, Colic and Tympanites in horses and mules. I find its effect marvelous—acts like a charm. I have used several remedies, but nothing comes up to this.

IRVIN MCGINNIS.
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DO YOU WANT TO STOP TOBACCO?

YOU CAN BE CURED WHILE USING IT.

The habit of using tobacco grows on a man until grave diseases and conditions are produced. Tobacco causes cancer of the mouth and stomach; dyspepsia; loss of memory; nervous affections; congestion of the retina; and wasting of the optic nerve, resulting in impairment of vision, even to the extent of blindness; dizziness or vertigo; tobacco asthma; nightly suffocation; dull pain in the region of the heart, followed later by sharp pains, palpitation and weakened pulse, resulting in fatal heart disease. It also causes loss of vitality.

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YOU CAN USE ALL THE TOBACCO YOU WANT, WHILE TAKING "BACCO-CURO." IT WILL NOTIFY YOU WHEN TO STOP. WE GIVE A WRITTEN GUARANTEE to permanently cure any case with three boxes, or refund the money with 10 cent interest.

"BACCO-CURO" is not a substitute, but a reliable and scientific cure—which absolutely destroys the craving for tobacco without the aid of will power, and with no inconvenience. It leaves the system as pure and free from nicotine, as the day you took your first chew or smoke.

Sold by all druggists, at \$1.00 per box, three boxes, (thirty days treatment), and GUARANTEED CURE) \$2.50, or sent direct upon receipt of price. SEND SIX TWO-CENT STAMPS FOR SAMPLE BOOKLET AND PROOFS FREE. Eureka Chemical & Manufacturing Company, Manufacturing Chemists, LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

"OLD AND NEW YEAR DITTIES."

Passing away, saith the world, passing away. Count beauty and youth sapped day by day. Thy life new—contineth in one stay. Is the eye waxen dim? Is the dark hair changing to gray?

That hath won neither laud nor glory? I shall clothe myself in spring and leaf and May. Thou, root-stricken, shalt not rebuild thy decay. On my bosom for aye. Then I answered, Yes.

Passing away, saith my soul, passing away. With its burden of fear and hope, of labor and play. Fearless what the past doth witness and say—First in thy cold; a moth is in this array. A canker is in thy bud; thy leaf must decay. At midnight, at cockcrow, at morning, one certain day. Lo, the heliogram shall come and shall not delay. Watch thou and pray. Then I answered, Yes.

Passing away, saith my God, passing away. Winter passeth after long delay—Now grasses on the vine, new figs on the tender spray. Turtle-calls thence in heaven's May. Though I tarry, wait for me, trust me, watch and pray. Arise, come away. Night is past, and, lo, it is day. My love, my sister, my spouse, thou shalt hear me say. Then I answered, Yes.

Effectively Passed. In the days when daguerreotypes were first introduced the nervousness of being "taken" must have rendered the average sitter to a condition of submission to the operator.

Not so with a certain New England judge of whom Mr. J. A. Willard tells a story. He had all the airy self command of modern posers before the camera. In the summer of 1840 daguerreotyping was still an experiment, and the artists were willing to take pictures of noted persons to hang outside their doors as a sample of their work.

A gentleman walked into the room of such an artist one day and said: "Mr. —, I am Mr. Justice — of the justices' court. I understand you take pictures of distinguished men to exhibit to the public."

"Yes, sir. Be kind enough to take a chair. How would you like yours taken?"

"I should like to be taken as in my courtroom."

"Assume your attitude, sir, and tell me when you are ready."

He placed himself to his satisfaction, and looking very stern said, pointing his finger in the direction of the supposed criminal: "Prisoner, where— Take me now, sir."

He was taken, and the artist then said, "How otherwise would you like to be taken?"

"I should like to be taken in the bosom of my family. John, bring me the Bible." The artist gave him a Bible. He opened it and said: "We will now read the ninety second psalm. Take me now, sir."

He was taken, and both pictures were after hung at the entrance door.

Drove an Eighteen-in-hand.

Some years ago a well known New Yorker, one of the Livingston family, who had lived for many years in Florence, used to drive six-in-hand there every afternoon. He was a very eccentric individual and gradually increased the number of his horses until strangers in Florence would note with amazement every afternoon on the Cascade a white headed gentleman driving an extraordinary procession of horses harnessed together, two and two, sometimes as many as 18. It was one of the sights of Florence. Old Mr. Livingston toiled his team safely for a few years, but finally they bolted and ran away. Nothing could stop 18 horses, and the smashup was something terrific. After that the authorities of Florence forbade Mr. Livingston to drive more than four, and in disgust he shook the dust of Florence from his feet and never returned.—San Francisco Argonaut.

An Off Day.

Miss Newago—What was done at the New Woman International Progressive club today?

Bachelor Girl—Nothing. You see, Mrs. Sweetie happened to come in with her baby, and before we all finished kissing the little cherub it was time to adjourn.—Pick Me Up.

No Familiarity There.

Mrs. Blues—Do you have to treat your cook as if she were a member of your family?

Mrs. Greys—Goodness, no! We have to be very kind and polite to her.—Oakland (Cal.) Times.

Elegance is something more than ease; it is more than a freedom from awkwardness or restraint; it implies, I conceive, a precision, a polish, a sparkling, spirited, yet delicate.—Hazlitt.

Trivial Things Uppermost.

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IMPROVING ONESELF.

Read Aloud For a Few Moments Each Day and Look After Your Speech.

Self improvement suggests at once thought of self. Why? Because if we are to be of any value to each other in this world we must know our capabilities. A lady of limited education not long since was heard to say: "I cannot accomplish much. I am not educated and might just as well give up ever trying to do anything." The fact that she realized her lack of ability to perform something beyond the ordinary was a long step toward improvement, yet to give up or despair is not only foolish, but actually weak. Where there's a will there's a way. Every well balanced person surely has the will and should therefore make the way. Make up your mind to do a thing and at once set about it, and here seems wise the suggestion that a few acquaintances unite forces and in a quiet and informal manner meet together and read and discuss good books, as reading is the first and best means toward self improvement in a literary sense. You need not be an elocutionist to do this. Read to your friends as you would relate an occurrence or converse upon any reasonable topic.

Read, then let your auditors in turn ask questions, and if any real thinking is done it will not be at all difficult to arrive at a clear understanding of the subject in hand. To be able to listen attentively is an accomplishment, and one should, if lacking in that respect, cultivate the habit, as there is no better help toward a good memory. Bring your mind to bear directly upon the work before you. Think and digest, and you will in a short season of such diligent practice be the one most agreeably surprised at the good results. By reading good English with the idea of self improvement you will accustom yourself to the use of the same in your conversation. Carelessness in speech is inexcusable in any person making a pretension to refinement. The young girl who uses slang not only retards her own improvement, but her influence is detrimental to those with whom she comes in contact, whether in the home, school or workshop.

It does not require any effort to be commonplace, but it is commendable in every one, no matter what their opportunities may have been or station in life may be, to desire to attain to a higher standard. We owe it to ourselves to so improve each hour that we become conscious of the value of time and should fully realize that it is never too late to learn. To think otherwise is a mistake. Select a book by advice of some one who is capable of understanding your needs in such direction. Profit by any and every well meant suggestion, and you will reap a rich harvest in due time. Read for improvement, and if you are in the right spirit you will be highly entertained also.

With an improvement of self will come respect and due appreciation of those about us.

Waste not even time, for if we wish to overcome ignorance and progress in life we must contract habits of industry. Make the best use of the opportunity before you and reflect are you really inclining toward self improvement. If you are, you will pass the good advice along.—Ladies' Every Saturday.

A Grim Wager.

Wagers have sometimes taken a grim form. It is credibly recorded that in the last century a wager was laid for one of a party of gay revellers to enter Westminster abbey at the hour of midnight. He was to enter one of the vaults beneath the abbey, and in proof of his having been there he was to stick a fork into a coffin which had recently been deposited there.

He accomplished his object and was returning in triumph when he felt himself suddenly caught and was so overcome with terror that he fell in a swoon. His companions, not being able to account for his long absence, found him in this condition. The fork which he had fastened into the coffin had caught and pinned his long cloak and so occasioned a fit of terror which nearly proved fatal.

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Proceedings of the Police Jury.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., July 1, 1895.

The Police Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present—W. P. Flower, President; and Messrs. Randolph, Wilson, Hardner, White, Sorelle, Texada, Johnson and E. F. Johnson.

The Clerk, Mr. L. C. Sinford, being unavoidably absent, W. W. Whittington was chosen clerk pro tem, to act for him.

The Jury resolved itself into a board of reviewers, and proceeded to examine the tax assessment until 5 o'clock, p. m., when it adjourned until to-morrow, July 2, at 9 o'clock, a. m.

Attest: W. W. WHITTINGTON, Clerk pro tem.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., July 2, 1895.

The Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present—W. P. Flower, President; and Messrs. Randolph, Wilson, Hardner, White, Sorelle, Texada, Johnson and T. K. Smith, Jr.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved. The Jury then proceeded to examine the assessments, as a board of reviewers, until 5 o'clock p. m., when it adjourned until Wednesday, July 3, at 9 o'clock, a. m.

Attest: W. W. WHITTINGTON, Clerk pro tem.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., July 3, 1895.

The Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present—W. P. Flower, President; and Messrs. Randolph, Compton, Wilson, Hardner, Sorelle, White, Texada, Johnson and Smith.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Texada: Be it Resolved, by the Police Jury, of the Parish of Rapides, that Section No. 36, of the laws of the Parish, be amended so as to read as follows, to-wit: That the limits of all public ferries in the Parish of Rapides shall be two miles either way, up and down stream, from the point of crossing; and it shall be unlawful for any person to in any manner interfere with the privileges of the lessee of any public ferry, within said limits, by crossing for hire or free, any person, stock, parcels, vehicles or merchandise; and any person or persons violating this provision, shall be prosecuted before a court of competent jurisdiction, and on conviction, be fined not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars, or imprisoned not less than five days nor more than ten days, or both at the discretion of the court.

Be it further Resolved, That this shall not be construed to include or embrace within its provisions any person or persons keeping boats for private use for himself or family, or guest of his house.

Be it further Resolved, That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its publication.

On motion of Mr. Wilson: Be it Resolved, by the Police Jury, of the Parish of Rapides, that, Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Police Jury of the impossibility and the bad condition of the public road, between the T. & P. Railroad track and Bayou Robert, near the Chambers switch and crossing, and showing the necessity of a change in said road; be it

Resolved, by the Police Jury, that Geo. L. Wilson, John F. Davis, Henry Rougeou, S. J. Dann, David Weinberg and B. M. Rougeou, be, and are hereby appointed a jury of freeholders to lay out, change and alter the said public road so as to make same suitable for travel to the greatest advantage of the public, and with as little prejudice to enclosures as possible.

On motion of Mr. Sorelle: Resolved, That the report of the commissioners appointed to let out the building of the bridge over Hemphill creek, on the Burra's Ferry road, be received, and the bond of the contractor, Morgan F. Terrell, be accepted, and his bill for \$54 be approved.

On motion of Mr. Hardner: Resolved, That the sum of fifteen dollars be appropriated out of the pauper fund of 1895, for the relief of William Conaughton, an indigent person, and that Dr. J. A. White be appointed his disbursing agent.

On motion of Mr. Wilson: Resolved, That the attention of Mr. W. J. Morris, the contractor, is hereby called to the condition of the Canal bridge, and its need of repairs, and if said bridge is not repaired at once it will be done at his expense or his bondmen.

The Jury then adjourned until Thursday, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Attest: W. W. WHITTINGTON, Clerk pro tem.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., July 4, 1895.

The Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present—W. P. Flower, President; and Messrs. Randolph, Compton, Wilson, Hardner, White, Sorelle, Texada, T. K. Smith, Jr., Absent—E. F. Johnson.

The Jury then adjourned, to-day being a no dies, until Friday, July 5, 1895, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Attest: W. W. WHITTINGTON, Clerk pro tem.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., July 5, 1895.

The Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present—W. P. Flower, President; and Messrs. Randolph, Compton, Wilson, Hardner, White, Sorelle, Smith, Johnson and Texada. The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

Mr. E. J. Hardner in the chair. On motion of Mr. Flower: Resolved, That the sum of \$300 be appropriated out of the general fund of 1895, for the repairing of the plank road, on Bayou Robert, and that Wm. Harris, C. M. Flower and C. S. Kay, be appointed a committee to have said repairs made.

On motion of Mr. White: Resolved, That the sum of \$50, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated out of the bridge fund of 1895,

to build a bridge across the Dillard Slough, at Hineston crossing, on the west side of Calcasieu river, and that J. M. Goldman, H. S. Hathaway and John Padyette, be appointed commissioners to let out and receive the same according to law.

On motion of Mr. White: Resolved, That the sum of \$90, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated out of the bridge fund of 1895, to build a bridge across the Sandy Slough, on west side of Calcasieu river, at Strother's crossing, and that W. B. Goldman, H. J. Mathis and Shad Lott, be appointed commissioners to let out and receive the same according to law.

On motion of Mr. Smith: Resolved, That the report of the commissioners, appointed to let out the building and receiving of the bridge built by Mr. A. E. Stuckey, across Belleview Bayou on Avoca Plantation, for the sum of \$350, be received, and that he paid the above amount and his bond be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Texada: Resolved, That the attention of E. M. Lambright, the contractor, and his bondsmen, J. D. K. Woodard, Willis Perkins, Obey Johnson and Jerry McGuire, be called to the condition of the dam that divides the waters of Bayou Rapides and Bayou Jean de Jean, and that they be and are hereby notified that if said dam is not repaired within 30 days from the publication of these proceedings, it will be done at their expense by the Parish.

On motion of Mr. Hardner: Resolved, That Capt. C. J. Birstow, Assessor of the Parish, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to employ counsel to assist the Parish Attorney, when he deems it necessary, in the defense of all tax suits that may be brought for the reduction of assessments.

On motion of Mr. Wilson: Resolved, That the sum of \$30 be appropriated out of the bridge fund of 1895, to repair the bridge across the causeway, on road leading from Jett's Hills to Woodworth, and Henry Rougeou, Dave Weinberg and J. F. Davis, be appointed commissioners to let out and receive same.

On motion of Mr. Wilson: Resolved, That the sum of \$50 be appropriated out of the bridge fund of 1895, to repair the bridge over Bayou Boeuf, known as "Robinson's" bridge, and bridge over Dry Bayou, on road leading to Wade's gin, and that J. F. Davis, J. B. Pickles and Henry Rougeou, be appointed commissioners to let out and receive the same, and that the commissioners be authorized to sell the old lumber and report same to this Jury.

On motion of Mr. Randolph: Resolved, That the report of the commissioners appointed to let out the building of the bridge across the Big Slough, at the Joe Willis' crossing, on the Calcasieu river, be received, and the bond of the contractors, R. H. and L. J. Eldred, be accepted, and their bill for \$145 be approved and paid.

On motion of Mr. Wilson: Resolved, That the report of the committee of freeholders, appointed by this Jury to lay out, change and alter the public road at the Josiah Chambers switch and crossing be received, and that Mr. L. M. Texada, road contractor, be authorized and instructed to proceed at once to have said road put in condition for the use of the public.

Be it further Resolved, That the Clerk of this Jury be instructed to notify the proper authorities of the Texas & Pacific Railroad Company to make the necessary crossings over their road and right of way, and if they fail to do so, then said road contractor proceed to have said crossings made at the expense of the said Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Sorelle: Resolved, That \$50, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated out of the bridge fund of 1895, to build a bridge over Mill Creek, at the crossing between Messrs. S. S. Aiken and A. McArthur, and that S. B. Rougeou, S. S. Aiken and G. Greenhaw, be appointed as commissioners to let out the same according to law.

Mr. Hardner called for the year and says, when Mr. Sorelle voted yes, and Messrs. Randolph, Hardner, Compton, Wilson, Johnson and Texada, no. Messrs. Smith and White asked to be excused from voting. The motion was lost.

On motion the Jury adjourned until to-morrow, at 8 o'clock a. m.

Attest: W. W. WHITTINGTON, Clerk Police Jury, pro tem.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., July 6, 1895.

The Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Present—W. P. Flower, President; and Messrs. Randolph, Compton, Hardner, White, Sorelle, Smith, Texada and Johnson. The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

On motion of Dr. Sorelle: Resolved, That the report of the Finance Committee be accepted, and a Committee appointed to burn the vouchers turned in by the Treasurer as paid, which was done, and the vouchers were burned.

The following estimate of expenses for the year 1895, was made:

Jurors and witnesses.....	\$ 4,000
Magistrates and constables.....	3,500
Police Jury.....	600
Police officers.....	60