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W. G. MOBLEY,.....Editor


## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**For Judge.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**JAMES ANDREWS,**
of Alexandria, the present incumbent, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of the Tenth Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Avoyelles, Rapides and Natchitoches, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For Judge.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**EDWIN G. HUNTER,**
of Alexandria, as a candidate for Judge of the Tenth Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Avoyelles, Rapides and Natchitoches, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For State Senator.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**JOHN C. RYAN**
as a candidate for the State Senate, from the 18th Senatorial District, composed of the Parishes of Rapides and Vernon, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For State Senator.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**J. W. MILLER,**
of Boyce, as a candidate for the State Senate, from the 18th Senatorial District, composed of the Parishes of Rapides and Vernon, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For Representative.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**B. H. LYONS,**
of Forest Hill, as a candidate for Representative in the Legislature, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For Representative.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**WM. POLK, JR.,**
of Mooreland, as a candidate for Representative in the Legislature, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For Representative.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**T. SPENCE SMITH,**
of Rapides Ward, as a candidate for Representative in the Legislature, subject to nomination by the Democratic party.

**For Sheriff.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**DAVID T. STAFFORD,**
of Alexandria, as a candidate for re-election to the position of Sheriff and Tax Collector, subject to the action of the Democrats of Rapides.

**For Sheriff.**

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Sheriff of Rapides parish, subject to Democratic usage. If elected, I will not ask for re election four years hence. GEO. O. WATTS.

**For Clerk.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**C. L. RANSDELL,**
the present incumbent, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of the District Court for Rapides parish, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

**For Magistrate.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**A. B. RACHAL,**
the present incumbent, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Magistrate of the Alexandria Ward, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

**For Constable.**

☞ We are authorized to announce
**W J. GILMORE,**
as a candidate for Constable of the Alexandria Ward, subject to Democratic nomination.

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—Ex-Congressman R. W. Dunham has been awarded $15,000 damages against Major E. L. Allyn, for the alienation of his wife's affections. In this country, a bullet would have been sufficient to have soothed the outraged feelings of the injured husband.

—The Judge of the Court, Bradley, the Grand Jury and some of the legal fraternity of the District of Columbia, actually desire to re-establish that wisely discarded relic of barbarism, the whipping post, for the punishment of petty offenders.

—What is the matter with Blanchard, that all the candidates, who are supposed to be friendly to him, are not only regarded with suspicion, but politically outlawed by the free silverites? In our opinion, he is a better Democrat and a more consistent advocate of free silver, than the little cabal of Rapides intriguers who, under the leadership of a life time office holder, have from interested motives, raised this *hue* and *cry* against his proposed candidacy for re-election.

## WHY NOT BOLTON?

While it is generally conceded that Governor Foster will have "a walk over" for the gubernatorial succession, it is time that we should be casting about for gentlemen possessing the requisite qualifications for the remainder of the State ticket. In this connection, we are gratified to note that favorable mention has been made of our esteemed parishioner, Hon. Geo. W. Bolton, for the office of Lieutenant Governor. As a member and speaker of the House of Representatives in the last General Assembly, he has acquired a reputation for ability and conscientious discharge of duty, not circumscribed even by the limits of the State.

In our opinion, no better selection for the Lieutenant Governorship could be made than that of Geo. W. Bolton. Fortified, as we have already said, by four years experience as Speaker of the House, he would make an admirable and dignified presiding officer of the Senate. With a full knowledge of Jefferson and Cushing's Manuals of Parliamentary Law impartially administered, he is calculated to preside over the deliberations of the Senate with grace and dignity and if there is any valid or substantial reason why he should not be nominated for that position, we shall be be glad to have our cotemporaries express their dissent.

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DURRANT CONVICTED. — Theodore Durrant, the young medical student, who has been on trial at San Francisco, Cal., for several weeks, charged with the murder of Blanche Lamont, a young school girl, was convicted last Saturday, the jury deliberating for only twenty eight minutes. While the evidence against him was purely circumstantial, it is no doubt a righteous verdict and one responsive to public sentiment, not only at the scene of the brutal and treacherous murder, but throughout the whole country. The murdered girl was seen alive for the last time in his company. Her partially decomposed body was found three days afterward in the belfry of Emanuel Church, to which he had free access. It is supposed that he inveigled her into this place, committed by force a criminal assault upon her person and then murdered her by strangulation—the points of his fingers being plainly visible upon her neck—to conceal and prevent any disclosure of his identity as the murderer. He is also indicted for the murder of Minnie Williams, another girl whose body was found in the same church and it is supposed was murdered by this arch fiend under the same peculiarly atrocious circumstances and from the same motive. Sentence will be passed upon him in a short time and a day fixed for his trial for the murder of Minnie Williams.

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A NEGRO RAPIST INCINERATED.—It is one of the unwritten laws of the land, especially South of Mason & Dixon's line, where ancient chivalry and gallantry still prevails, that whomsoever—whether of white or black complexion—shall forcibly deflower the chastity of wife, mother, sister or daughter, shall pay the penalty with the forfeiture of his life at the hands of Judge Lynch. But this should be accomplished within the provisions of christian limits. Shooting to death or hanging is a sufficient atonement for this vilest and most unpardonable of all species of crimes known to the criminal catalogue. Hence, we are compelled to express our reprobation at the unparalleled atrocity and inhumanly fiendish torture which characterized the burning at the stake, at Tyler Texas, last week, of the negro who criminally assaulted and then murdered the defenseless victim of his lustful passion. Death, quickly administered, either by the hempen or shot gun route, is the penalty for the commission of this species of crime. But the christian sentiment of this enlightened age should never resort to inhuman and unnecessary torture to usher into eternity, this class of malefactors.

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DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The Democratic Executive Comittee of Rapides Parish, has been called by the Chairman, Capt. James Jeffries, to meet at the Court House, in Alexandria, at 11 a. m. to-morrow, presumably for the purpose of fixing the time and designating the manner of selecting delegates to represent the Parish in the State convention to be held at Shreveport, on the 18th of December, to nominate State officers.

## A Reply to "Old Democrat."

BAYOU RAPIDES, Oct. 25, 1895.

*Editor Louisiana Democrat:*

In the issue of the *Town Talk*, of October 19th, there appeared a communication from a correspondent who writes over the nom de plume of "Old Democrat," and makes political allusions to all the candidates for the Legislature, with the exception of my friend, Ariail, who seems to be the only fortunate one to escape the *bratum fulmen*, or in more ordinary parlance, the harmless thunderbolt of his antithetical animadversions.

I refer, Mr. Editor, more especially to the following paragraph in the Weekly *Town Talk*:

"At present it is said that Mr. Julius Ariail is the only independent candidate for the Legislature before the people, and if elected he will wear nobody's collar, and this is the man the people up our way will support for one. Are there not others who will come out? Let the people bring them out and see to it that Rapides Democracy will resent any dictation from Caddo parish."

Now, my friend, "Old Democrat," (for I take you to be my friend, purporting, as you do, to come from Bayou Rapides—perhaps a neighbor of close proximity—or, per chance, from a more distant, yet not so genial a locality—Alexandria), whilst I agree in much that you have said, I must be permitted to dissent, when you announce that Mr. Ariail is the "only independent candidate for the Legislature before the people, and if elected, the only candidate who will wear nobody's political collar."

When I announced my name as a candidate, and whilst the language of the announcement could have been couched in more elegant diction, it certainly was expressed in no ambiguous, equivocal or uncertain tone or tenor; and now Mr. Editor, if you will be kind enough to give space, for the edification of "Old Democrat," and in response to several communications from friends in different portions of the parish, I will again state my position in this campaign.

1st. I am a free silver Democrat, favoring the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to international agreement. Am pledged to the support of no man for the United States Senate, but if elected, will vote for no man who is not an out spoken and unequivocal free silver Democrat. I believe that this question is and should be one of the supreme issues in the present campaign, and members of the General Assembly should be pronounced free silver men. I am not one of those who believe the elimination of the silver question is necessary or essential to the preservation of the autonomy of the Democratic party.

The great majority of free silver Democrats of this State, armed in the holy cause of free silver, and the imperishable principles of Jeffersonian Democracy, in my opinion, are invincible by any force that our enemy, the Republican party, can bring against us, if we use the vigilance, the energy and the means, that the God of Nature hath placed in our power.

The complex character of our government, both State and National, has necessitated the formation of political parties, which in their objects and principles, almost forbid and prevent a purely State campaign. The National parties are the parties in the States, and the organization and principles of the National parties are those of subdivisions in the States;—hence, national politics are so interwoven with individual prosperity, so intermixed with the general welfare, and so bound up with the success of every citizen of every State, that it is impossible to eliminate National issues from State issues. Therefore, fellow citizens, let us not lie supinely on our backs and hug the delusive phantom of hope that the goldbugs are holding out to us, but rather let us buckle on our armor and keep our lamps trimmed and burning as preliminary and preparatory to the great contest to take place for the Presidency in 1896.

Let us see to it, that the Republican party, the party of corruption, usurpation—the party of the classes and not the masses—always favoring combined capital and centralized government; the party that we well remember during the dark days of reconstruction, when dark fraud, open rapine and unprotected murder, cried out against us—let us see to it, I repeat, that this party does not ascend again to power; for if, perchance, it should again get control of the reins of government in this State, it were better for us, that we should welcome the fierce waters of deluge in which perished the ante diluvean world; it were better for us that we should thrice welcome the fires from Heaven, which smote and consumed Sodum and Gomorrah; so that in God's providence, a new, a wiser and better race of people may repopulate this North American Continent.

On the success of the Democratic party, depends the peace and prosperity of this State and nation; not the peace that comes from combined capital and centralized government, but that peace and prosperity which comes from constitutional liberty, free government and civil law. Not the peace that reigned in Warsaw, that heralded the doom of the liberties of a nation, but that peace which comes from a good and quiet government, "distributing its blessings like the dews of Heaven, unseen and unfelt, save in the beauty and freshness, which it contributes to produce."

Fellow Democrats, between now and the election in April next, we have now, as in the past, a great duty to perform. Slander, vituperation and misrepresentation, cannot prevent us from doing that duty. As much as the Democratic party has accomplished, its mission is not yet fulfilled. We must continue that party in power, not only to hold the vantage which the people have gained during its supremacy in this State, but to continue its reforms, to cut down expenditures, to reduce extravagances in every quarter, and to maintain the rights of the American people to self-government, so that this great structure may be handed down to our children unimpaired.

Let us then arouse from our lethargy, shake off our masterly inactivity; put our shoulders to the wheel and work for a common interest and the common good, and on the 16th of December and April next, let us go forth in one solid phalanx to the ballot box, the great arbiter of all our difficulties, both State and National, and there swear on the altar of liberty that this eternal country shall be free.

In conclusion, Mr. Editor, let me assure "Old Democrat" that I am not mad with him, nor will I call him hard names, as my friends Ryan and Lyons did.

There is an old aphorism: "Those whom the Gods wish to destroy, they first make mad." I am not a candidate for destruction, but for the Legislature, without any entanglements.

T. SPENCE SMITH.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.—The following transfers of real estate have been registered in the Recorder's office during the past week:

Mrs. M. A. Cheney to Sherman Cook, 360 acres of land in Sections 20, 28, and 29, T. 1 N. R. 1 W. Price, $360.

John Earheart to Mrs. Mary V. Compton, lots 2 and 8, in square 8, Sunset Addition. Price, $140, and to assume the debt due the Alexandria and Pineville Building and Loan Association.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following Marriage Licenses have been issued by the Clerk of the Court during the past week:

Whites.—Walter Flaherty and Miss Elizabeth Morace.

Colored.—Louis Ester and Julia Roberts.

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FREE SILVER BARBECUE.—The free silver barbecue at Lecompte last Friday was attended by about two hundred people. Addresses were made by Messrs. J. C. Ryan, J. F. Ariail, E. G. Hunter, Wm. Polk Jr., Geo. O. Watts, and Judge W. F. Blackman.

—It may as well be understood, first as last, that the LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT neither knows, nor recognizes any candidate, who fails to announce in its columns.

WILL BE IMPEACHED.—It is reported that all the necessary legal preliminaries have been arranged, for the institution of impeachment proceedings against District Attorney Butler, of New Orleans. While it appears that the exaction and reception of fees in criminal cases in which he had entered *nolle prosquies*, is not an indictable offense, in the opinion of the Grand Jury, yet the Citizens' Committee conceive that the Grand Inquest has committed an egregious error and will endeavor to rectify this mistake, by the impeachment and removal from office of this discredited official.

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—It seems that the equanimity of President Cleveland and Ambassador Bayard has not been in the least ruffled or disturbed by the uncomplimentary, but rather late disclosures of Sir Lionel Sackville West, at that time British Minister to Washington, who was recalled by his government during the first administration of Mr. Cleveland, on account of officious intermeddling with the political affairs of this country.

—It is only a question of time—and not very remote at that—when the conquest of Madagascar and its permanent occupation by French troops will be an accomplished fact. A protectorate has thus far been established, but annexation is sure to follow. When it is known that the area of Madagascar is 230 000 square miles or nearly four times that of England and Wales, the extent of the French conquest may be readily realized.

—The dictionary doesn't give you any better word to apply to the BUCKSKIN BREECHES than "BEST." Best in this case means care in cutting, best thread, stay-on buttons and perfect fit. They will wear as well as the jeans will allow. We use a better grade of Jeans than the other manufacturers. We use a Jeans that has almost no wear out to it. You can get your money back if you find them anything other than best.

—Dr. Nannie A. Stevens, of Wichita, Kansas, has filed a suit for divorce against her husband, asking for a dissolution of the conjugal contract, among other reasons assigned, because her husband would not stay at home and attend to the baby, while his sponse was practicing medicine and lecturing in favor of the ballot and other rights now arbitrarily withheld from woman by the "Lords of Creation."


**It May Do as Much for You.**

Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill. writes that he had a severe Kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected. He tried many so called Kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began use of Electric Bitters and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to the cure of all Kidney and Liver troubles and often gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statement. Price only 50c. for large bottle at Mrs. C. Geiger's Drug Store.


—When you hear an old political hack, who has been in office for twenty years, reeking all over with corruption and whose sides, if not bottom, are actually covered with official barnacles, yelling in stentorian tones, for "Reform," with a big R., you can safely set it down that he wants a longer lease of official life for himself or desires to find a soft berth for one of his kinsmen.

—A mulatto named Judson owns the town of Judson, on Johnson's Island in the Mississippi river, a little north of Memphis, in which there is not a single white man, the owner ruling out the inferior race. There are in the town six stores, a few shops, two churches and a school. The island, the soil of which is quite rich, is eight miles long.—[Daily States.


**Knights of the Maccabees.**

The State Commander writes us from Lincoln, Neb., as follows: "After trying other medicines for what seemed to be a very obstinate cough in our two children, we tried Dr. King's New Discovery and at the end of two days the cough entirely left them. We will not be without it hereafter, as our experience proves that it cures where all other remedies fail."—Signed F. W. Stevens, State Com.—Why not give this great medicine a trial, as it is guaranteed and trial bottles are free at Mrs. C. Geiger's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.


—It seems that a truce has been tacitly agreed upon between the Monroe *News* and *Herald* of that city or they have exhausted all controversial material, as they have waged an incessant editorial warfare against each other from the birth of the *Herald* till the last few days.


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[Cincinnati Enquirer, June 13, 1895.]

The great Wallace Shows exhibited in Covington yesterday, showing a fair business in the afternoon and to a packed house at night. This was the first opportunity people here have had to see this show for some years, and they could scarcely realize what a mammoth affair it has become. It has grown till it now equals in size any on the road, and, to use a circus localism, is the "best hooked up" ever out. It is bright and shining as a new coin from the front door back. Everything is of the highest class, and no "sloppy weather" details are tolerated. The horses are unquestionably the handsomest that ever traveled with a tented entertainment, and their trappings are fit for the equipage of a king. The first of the three bands in the parade is drawn by eight blacks, all half brothers, and there is not fifty pounds difference in the largest and smallest. The ring stock is perfect, and the hippodrome sprinters are thoroughbreds. There are about fifty ponies, one of which is the mother of a ten-days-old colt. This youngster is but twenty-four inches high and weighs less than fifty pounds. All the stock is fat and sleek.

The menagerie is a rare collection of the finest that money could secure. Each specimen is a perfect one. There are five huge elephants, the herd being headed by Diamond, whose weight is nearly 200 pounds greater than that of the famed Jumbo. There are lions, tigers, hyenas, leopards, camels, llamas, yaks, pumas, zebras, birds, reptiles and monkeys galore

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All the attaches of the show are courteous, and patrons are made to feel like guests.

If Mr. Wallace continues on these lines—maintaining a high standard of everything, conducting a clean show, and pursuing his broad-gauge business methods, he is assuredly the coming showman of America; he can look forward to a brilliant future in the business. He has made his name in Cincinnati, and can return here at any time and be assured of tremendous business, for his attraction is worthy of it.

Will exhibit at Alexandria, November 11th 1895.

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INDEPENDENT

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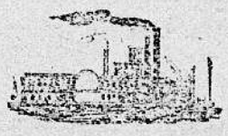

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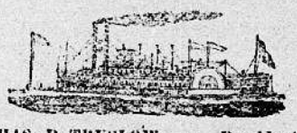

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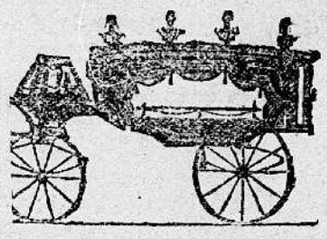

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