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WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26

If you have a good property to insure, go to J. W. Alexander and get a good policy on it.

The Mexican dollar is being utilized by the McKinleyites for all it is worth.

The menu of Key's Exchange Hotel is simply superb and cannot be equaled, much less surpassed, by any caravansary outside of the metropolitan cities.

Deputy Sheriff M. V. Lecaze and Mr. John Shevlin left for Jackson, La., Sunday morning, to convey to the insane asylum, Jas. H. Davis, an aged white man and Ben Walker, colored, each of whom had been interdicted by judicial process.

Parties desiring to rent seats or pews in the Jewish Synagogue for the coming holidays, will please call on or address, JOSEPH LEVY, Secretary, Aug 19-31.

Key's Exchange Hotel, Second street, Alexandria, La., is a haven of rest for the weary traveler. Here he can be supplied with all home comforts and at prices corresponding with the prevailing "hard times," superinduced by shortness of crops, on account of drought, etc.

PELL FROM A STEP LADDER.— Last Wednesday, while Horace Wallace, colored, about 75 years of age, was washing the glass front of the First National Bank, he fell from the step ladder upon which he was standing, to the concrete pavement below, breaking one of his legs and arms and sustaining other injuries.

A SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT.— The Concert given in West Alexandria last Thursday night, for the benefit of the new Catholic Church, now in process of construction, was numerously attended and a sum of money quite up to the expectations of the originators, was realized and donated to the church.

Six weeks ago I suffered with a very severe cold; was almost unable to speak. My friends all advised me to consult a physician. Noticing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised in the St. Paul Volks Zeitung I procured a bottle, and after taking it a short while was entirely well. I now most heartily recommend this remedy to anyone suffering with a cold.

BASE BALL.— A series of three games of base ball was played last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons, at the Duke park, in this city, between the Manfield and Alexandria teams, resulting in a victory each day for the home team. Sunday afternoon, a game was played at the same place, between the Lake Charles and Alexandria nines, the latter being again victorians.

The commercial traveler invariably seeks the best accommodations when he strikes a town.— That is the reason that Key's Exchange Hotel is universally patronized by the fraternity.

My little boy, when two years of age, was taken very ill with bloody flux. I was advised to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and luckily procured part of a bottle. I carefully read the directions and gave it accordingly. He was very low, but slowly and surely he began to improve, gradually recovered, and is now so stout and strong as ever. I feel sure it saved his life. I never can praise the remedy half its worth. I am sorry every one in the world does not know how good it is, as I do.— Mrs. Lina S. Hinton, Grahamsville, Marion Co., Florida. For sale at the Phoenix Drug Store.

A CHURCH STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.— Last Tuesday afternoon, just after the DEMOCRAT had gone to press, an alarm of fire was sounded. A thunder storm, followed by rain, was prevailing at the time. It was soon ascertained that a bolt of lightning had struck the Episcopal Rectory and had been communicated by means of the electric wires, to the church building, only a short distance off, setting the roof on fire. The ever vigilant hose companies were promptly on hand and with the unflinching supply of water now always on hand, soon extinguished the flames, without any material damage to the property.

Since 1878 there have been nine epidemics of dysentery in different parts of the country in which Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was used with perfect success. Dysentery, when epidemic, is almost as severe and dangerous as Asiatic cholera. Heretofore the best efforts of the most skilled physicians have failed to check its ravages, this remedy, however, has cured the most malignant cases, both of children and adults, and under the most trying conditions, which proves it to be the best medicine in the world for bowel complaint. For sale at the Phoenix Drug Store.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. C. L. Robinson, of Lamourie, was in town Monday. Mr. B. H. Randolph, of Forest Hill, was in town Monday. Judge James R. Moore, of Leconte, was in town yesterday. Miss Pauline Smith, of Robeline, is visiting friends in this city. Prof. D. B. and Mrs. Johnson, of Pollock, were in town last week. Mr. T. K. Smith, of Rapides P. O., was in town last Friday. Mr. W. L. Shackelford, Clerk of Court of Grant parish, was in town last Saturday.

Mrs. G. C. Brian, of Baton Rouge, is the guest of Mrs. H. G. Hochenedel, of this city. Mrs. Tullios, of New Orleans, was the guest last week of Judge E. G. Hunter and family. District Attorney A. R. Mitchell, of Lake Charles, was in the city last Thursday. Misses Katie Stafford and Pattie Hunter are visiting friends and relatives at Derry, La.

Mr. A. B. Watts, a prominent merchant of Pollock, spent last Sunday in the city. Capt. J. W. Texada was in town last Saturday, exchanging salutations with his host of friends. Mr. David Schwartz, of Hot Springs, Ark., is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Schmalinski. Misses Eliza and Lizzie Clements returned home Sunday from a visit to relatives at Bagdad, La.

Miss Jennie Hickman, of Bayou Rapides, was in town last week, the guest of Miss Katie Stafford. Mrs. R. M. Quigley, of Mansfield, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Ferguson, of this city. Mr. Mayer, of the commercial firm of Mayer & Weinberg, doing business at Lamourie, was in town last week.

Mrs. R. P. Hunter returned Monday from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Hertzog, of Derry, Natchitoches parish. Major W. J. Deen, of Glenmora, the efficient sergeant-at-arms of the Police Jury, gave us an appreciated call yesterday. Capt. C. H. Teal, the Democratic wheel horse of Colfax, Grant parish, gave us an appreciated call last week.

Mr. Isaac Sokolosky, of Texarkana, was in town last week, visiting the family of his father-in-law, Mr. Julius Levin. Mr. H. G. Wunch, the prominent Lee street merchant, left Saturday morning on a visit to friends at Baton Rouge, his former home. Master Mason, son of Mr. Duncan Graham, left Sunday night for Mobile, Ala., where he will matriculate as a student of Spring Hill College.

Miss Nellie Schnack returned home last week from a visit to Miss Laura Andrews, at the summer home of Judge Andrews in the pine woods. John H. Dawson Esq., of Boyce, was to be seen upon the streets of Alexandria on Monday, pressing the digits of his legion of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie O'Shea returned last week from the White Sulphur Springs, in Catahoula parish, where they had been rusticated for some time. Hon. J. F. Aerial, who is passing the heated term with his family at Big Creek, came to town last Friday morning on business and returned in the afternoon.

Cards have been issued announcing the marriage, on Wednesday, Sept. 2nd 1896, of Mr. Thos. Supple, of Plaquemine, La., and Miss Annie Hickman, daughter of Mr. George W. Hickman, of Fairmount, La.

Col. Jas. C. Wise, a veteran Democrat of Rapides parish, was in town last week and gave us an entertaining call. The Colonel is sanguine of the election of Bryan and Sewall and does not believe that any combination of causes or forces, however influential and powerful, could prevent it.

POLICE JURY.— The Police Jury of Rapides Parish convened Monday pursuant to adjournment at the July session. The afternoon was consumed in a general discussion as to the best means of eradicating the glanders on the Sauford plantation and preventing its spread to contiguous places, the disease having reappeared among the stock on that place. Proceedings will be reported in full next week.

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Bryan and Sewall Club Organized.

A large number of voters of this city met on Friday night, Aug. 21st, at the court house to organize a Bryan and Sewall Club. Judge W. F. Blackman opened the meeting calling Col. J. C. Wise to the chair. Col. Wise was elected temporary chairman and R. C. Jarreau, Secretary.

On motion, the temporary organization was made permanent. Five vice-presidents were appointed as follows: H. H. White, Geo. O. Watts, E. J. Sullivan, Jno. C. Ryan and T. Stafford.

The following Committee on Resolutions were appointed, who will report at the next meeting of the Club: G. A. Staples, W. H. Blackman, J. F. Aerial, H. H. White and B. M. Bryan. Then a Committee as follows was appointed to solicit members: L. L. Hooe, J. C. Blackman, E. J. Sullivan, Jos. Levin, T. N. Miles, C. M. Kilpatrick and J. M. Edwards.

Judge J. R. Thornton, L. L. Hooe and C. L. Randall were appointed a Committee to invite speakers to address the next meeting of the Club. Calls were then made for a speech from Judge Blackman, who responded, saying a few words only. The Judge said that he was gratified as a Democrat, to see the interest taken in the campaign by his fellow Democrats, regardless of all past differences that may have been. He spoke only a few seconds as it was too warm to do much talking.

The names of 176 members were enrolled. All Democrats are asked to send their names to the Secretary, or to the gentlemen above appointed, to be placed on the roll. The meeting then adjourned to meet again on Wednesday evening, Sept. 2nd, at 8:30 o'clock at the court house. This will be a public meeting. All voters of the parish are invited, and the ladies especially.

The following Democrats have signed their names to the roll as members of this Club: W. F. Blackman, D. T. Stafford, W. French, C. M. Kilpatrick, L. J. Hakeyous, C. A. Schnack, D. I. Adams, L. A. Stafford, C. D. West, S. B. Staples, C. M. Waters, J. S. Davis, Victor Rigds, C. E. Kinoyor, J. E. Dugger, Fol Mayer, C. J. Blackshear, J. M. Edwards, A. A. Johnson, S. L. Conerly, A. Jarreau, Sidney Schmalinski, John J. Ferguson, Chas. S. Miles, J. R. Thornton, W. W. Whittington, Jos. Levy, W. Whittington Jr, G. A. Staples, H. H. White, R. H. McGinsey, E. G. Hunter, L. B. Baynard Jr., J. P. Grogan, R. O. Simmons, John Callaghan, John Allain, A. P. Williams, E. R. Webster, J. W. Alexander, Jno J. Bailito, M. W. Ballito, B. L. Lockett, C. C. Swayze, Moses Mayer, Thous. N. Miles, G. O. Watts, E. H. McCormick, C. L. Randall, J. B. Thigpen, C. B. Stewart, S. E. Smith, Mmes Rosenthal, Sam Fellows, H. R. Roberts, W. H. Edlington, J. L. Conella, J. W. Murphy, R. G. Maddox, A. O. Hudson, W. W. Ashton, Isaac Rosenthal, E. J. Sullivan, E. L. Cavanna, J. C. Wise, J. W. Chamberlain, M. Frite, L. E. Simons, Jno. T. Martin, P. K. O'Brien, Mary Heyman, A. Baer, John Blackman, Oscar Cheney, A. Rachal, Chas. Edmonds, R. E. Tilden, J. F. Miller, John Graham, John Schorn, G. D. Duke, Ido Ball, Nelson Terrell, Willie O'Shea, Henry Feigler, Y. Golger, H. H. Mobley, A. B. Rachal, E. P. Mulvibrill, L. V. Marye, F. G. Key, John Sherria, R. T. Hyason, J. M. Willson, Tom Sample, Ben Wall, Lockett, T. F. Sailer, H. S. Gossett, Henry Sterka, L. P. Whittington, M. V. Lacaze, E. F. Lockett, Victor Marye, John Lawies, Richard O'Shea, L. F. Gossett, W. W. Blackman, M. Hirsch, John L. Young, E. B. Osborn, Brynton Armstrong, W. E. Taylor, Hy. Schwartzburg, Wm. S. Ridge, J. Williams, J. J. Thorburn, C. Freeman, Joe Ball, J. L. Sanford, Tom Treadway, J. W. Hickman, P. T. Kerrigan, Julian Rachal, John Nunnerly.

"For five weeks I lived on cold water, so to speak," writes a man who suffered terribly from indigestion. He could hardly keep anything on his stomach. What stayed, wasn't properly digested and gave him terrible pangs. This is not an uncommon case. Dyspeptics don't get enough nourishment. They are generally thin and weak. They may eat enough, but they don't digest enough. Much of what they eat turns into poison. If this keeps on there's no telling what disease they may get next. That's why it is best to take Shaker Digestive Cordial, as soon as symptoms of indigestion appear. It cures all the evils of indigestion, and prevents the evils which indigestion causes. Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

Guests of Key's Exchange Hotel are always supplied with clean and comfortable beds, a desideratum always eagerly looked forward to and appreciated by the exhausted traveler.



Taken under medical direction, in connection with the right medicine, they will help effect a cure. No women who suffers at all from so-called "female weakness" should attempt athletics of any sort. She should first get herself into possession of strong and hearty health by taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. After she is thoroughly well, exercise and diversion will help to keep her well. The cure should come first. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is designed and recommended for copy the one thing. It acts directly upon the set of organs. No matter what is the matter with them, it will cure it. It will not cure anything else. It is a wholesome tonic, an invigorating nerve, or nerve-food as well as a healing medicine, and thousands of perfectly well women have found that by taking it regularly during the period of pregnancy, the danger and pain of parturition were much lessened, and in many cases, almost entirely obviated.

In every American household, there should be a copy of Dr. Pierce's great work, "Common Sense Medical Advice," 100 pages, illustrated. One copy for ten cents, on receipt of two cent stamps to pay for mailing only. World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

New Election Law. In this issue we commence the publication of the new election law. It is quite lengthy and will require several weeks, but will be continued weekly until it has been published in extenso. The presidential and congressional election on the 1st Tuesday in November will be held under this law. It is quite complicated and virtually in effect imposes an educational qualification, as it is impossible for an elector who cannot read, to comply with its provisions. Indeed, it is necessary that even voters of education and intelligence should familiarize themselves in advance with its requirements, otherwise they will experience difficulty in the preparation of their tickets in the limited time allowed by the law.

We believe we can safely say that it will disfranchise more of the illiterate vote, than the suffrage amendment, which was so unceremoniously rejected at the last election, would have done. Copies of the DEMOCRAT containing the law should be preserved, until it has been published in its entirety.

Marvelous Results. From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at the Eagle Drug Store. Regular size 30c. and \$1.00.

CITY OF HICKMAN SUNK NEAR MEMPHIS.— The City of Hickman, one of the magnificent palatial steamers of the Anchor Line, bound from St. Louis to New Orleans, struck an obstruction at Island 40, near Memphis, in 13 1/2 feet of water, on the 23rd instant and immediately went to the bottom. No lives were lost. The Hickman cost \$100,000, but was insured for only \$20,000. The sunken steamer carried forty cabin passengers and 1400 tons of freight. The Anchor Line has been quite unfortunate, having had the steamers Arkansas City and City of Monroe wrecked in the recent St. Louis cyclone.

AN INSTRUCTIVE SERMON.— Rev. B. L. Price, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, delivered an instructive and impressive sermon Sunday morning on the subject of the X-Rays. His text was taken from the 1st chapter, 10th verse of Ecclesiastics. The elucidation of his subject by the Reverend gentleman, showing a similitude between the unseen, but penetrating effect of the X-Rays and the invisible, but infallible power of the Deity, was intensely interesting and is universally pronounced by those who heard it, to have been one of the best clerical efforts ever delivered in the pulpits of Alexandria.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.— The following transfers of real estate have been registered in the Recorder's office during the past week: Mrs. D. Heyman to Dr. W. T. Clopton, of Morrow, La., house and lot in West Alexandria. Price, \$1500. Mrs. Clapp to Mrs. Ella Bissat, lot of ground in Clapp Addition, this city. Price, \$250.

The table of Key's Exchange Hotel is always furnished with rich butter and milk, the product of a herd of fine Jersey cows, belonging to the proprietor.

Meeting Democratic Parish Executive Committee.

The Parish Executive Committee met by special call, on Saturday, August 22nd, at 12 m., the following members being present: E. J. Sullivan, W. F. Blackman, G. A. Staples, B. P. Pittman, W. W. Brashar, John Gill, W. E. Taylor, E. J. Hardner, Jos. W. Texada. On motion of Judge Blackman, it was Resolved, That a grand ratification meeting of the Democratic party be held at Alexandria on the 18th day of September, at 11 a. m.

The following committee was appointed to provide for and take charge of the meeting: G. A. Staples, H. H. White, E. J. Hardner, L. L. Hooe, J. W. Alexander. The following committee was appointed as a Campaign Committee: J. R. Thornton, Sidney Schmalinski, B. Turner, P. J. Sleet, M. S. Trimble, Joe Lawrence, Wm. Poik, Jr., W. H. Readman, C. M. Shaw, Col. J. C. Wise, D. T. Stafford, Dr. Sam Meeker, Wright Stafford, J. W. Miller. Committee on invitation for orators: W. F. Blackman, H. H. White, Bertrand Weil.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the Chairman of the Executive Committee be authorized to call a Parish Convention for the purpose of sending delegates to the Congressional Convention when it is called; and to fix basis of representation from each ward for the Parish Convention. The Committee then adjourned to meet again on the day when the Parish Convention meets.

E. J. HARDNER, Secretary. State Board of Education Appointed. Governor Foster has appointed the following gentlemen as members of the State Board of Education: First district, Albert Voorhies, New Orleans; second district, C. E. Levy, New Orleans; third District, Judge Clegg, Lafayette; fourth district, D. C. Scarborough, Natchitoches; fifth district, T. M. Wade, Texas; sixth District, C. Tate, Tangipahoa.

The State Board subsequently convened and selected the Parish Boards. The following were appointed for Rapides parish: C. A. Schnack, R. W. Bringhurst, E. J. Hardner, J. B. Pickles, W. W. Brashar, J. E. Collins, J. F. Smith, S. Mallett, S. Blum. We presume the Secretary of the old Board will issue a call for a meeting of the new Board immediately.

Electric Bitters. Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed in the Spring, when the languid exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alternative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, Ladigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. Only fifty cents per bottle at the Eagle Drug Store.

ARRESTED FOR SHOOTING INTO A DWELLING HOUSE.— Jas. Grayson and Preston Petty, two white men, charged by affidavit with shooting into the residence of Mr. B. Ryland, one night last week, while the members of the family were sitting on the gallery; were arrested by Constable M. W. Bailito, at Beaver Dam, on Red river in this parish, last Friday, brought to town and committed to jail to await a preliminary examination.

BORN: To Mrs. H. B. Chase, of Alexandria, on Friday morning, Aug. 21, 1896, a son. To Mrs. Sam Weil, of Alexandria, on Sunday morning, Aug. 23, 1896, a son. To Mrs. A. R. Browne, of Alexandria, on Saturday, Aug. 15, 1896, a son. To Mrs. T. B. Cruise, of Lamourie, on Sunday, Aug. 16, 1896, a son.

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