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WEDNESDAY, - - - - - - - FEB. 17

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

Griffin Boarding House.

If you want to be treated right when in Alexandria, go to the Griffin Boarding House.

—Our brains, our money and our reputation are all at stake, all depending upon the BUCKSKIN BREECHES for support. We aimed to make them the best working pants possible. We guarantee them to be the best pants made. Won't you test our sincerity?

PASSED THE SENATE.—The bill appropriating $250,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, to close the crevasse in Pass a Loutre, was called up last week by Senator Caffery and passed the Senate.

—Our people are growing more and more in the habit of looking to the Phoenix Drug Store for the latest and best of everything in the drug line. They sell Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, famous for its cures of bad colds, croup and whooping cough. When in need of such a medicine give this remedy a trial and you will be more than pleased with result.

DROUTH SUFFERERS.—The steamer Imperial, en route to Shreveport, landed here yesterday morning and was detained several hours taking on board six car loads of corn, for distribution to the drouth sufferers of North Louisiana.

—The little daughter of Mr. Fred Webber, Holland, Mass., had a very bad cold and cough which he had not been able to cure with anything. I gave him a 25 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says W. P. Holden, merchant and postmaster at West Brimfield, and the next time I saw him he said it worked like a charm. This remedy is intended especially for acute throat and lung diseases, such as colds, croup and whooping cough, and it is famous for its cures. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains nothing injurious. For sale at the Phoenix Drug Store.

The Disovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store, I began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial bottle at Eagle drug Store.

A Dramatic Performance.

In the near future the Alexandria Dramatic Club will produce a play at the Opera House in this city. The members of the Club were very much dissatisfied with their last performance, and propose to study and do their best at the forthcoming benefit, the time of which will be announced at an early date.

The Dramatic Company will produce Gustave Froman's famous three act comedy drama, "Jane," which had a tremendous run in New York City.

Presbyterian Church Services.

Rev. B. L. Price, Pastor, held services last Sunday for the first time, in the new Presbyterian Church, recently erected in this city The Reverend gentleman delivered a very able and instructive sermon to an unusually large congregation, taking as his text the eighth verse of the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. The music and singing was excellent, Mrs. H. H. Mobley performing on the organ, accompanied by the choir. Mrs. R. L. Randolph also sang a beautiful solo entitled "Abide With Me."

A SHOOTING AFFRAY

At the Stonewall Hotel—Several Shots Exchanged.

BOTH PARTIES WOUNDED.

A shooting affray occurred at the Stonewall Hotel, in this city, last Thursday morning, between F. G. Key, lessee of the Exchange Hotel before its destruction by fire and R. F. Curtis, representing I. L. Lyons & Co. wholesale druggists, of New Orleans. Several shots were exchanged and both participants wounded, though not dangerously. Curtis used a 38 calibre 5 shot Smith & Wesson revolver. Key had a double barreled derringer, both barrels of which were fired. Curtis was shot in the right hand, as he was in the act of drawing his weapon, so he informed a representative of the LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT. Key was shot just below the nipple on the left side, the ball striking a rib, and causing it to glance towards the back, where it was extracted by Drs. Rushing and Moseley. Curtis says that he ceased to fire after his antagonist had fallen to the floor, whereas Key, as positively declares that he shot at him twice while he was lying helplessly upon the floor.

Mr. Tom Charles, the proprietor of the Stonewall, the only witness to the collision, is doubtful as to who fired the first shot, but rather inclines to the opinion that the discharges were simultaneous. Each of the principals contend that the other was the aggressor and of course, the testimony of the one neutralizes that of the other.

Upon the preliminary examination of Curtis the next day, Judge Hunter admitted him to bail in the sum of $500, which was readily furnished. He also stated that he would place Key under the same bond, as soon as he was able to appear.

The cause of the rencontre appears to be the receipt the day before by Mrs. Curtis—who with her husband, was stopping at the Stonewall Hotel—of an anonymous and insulting note. Curtis called upon Key and charged him with having written and sent the note, which he denied, explaining that the letter was put in his box at the post office and after taking it out, he sent it to the lady by the porter of the Stonewall. This meeting between them occurred the evening before the morning of the personal collision.

Key says that he went to the hotel that morning in pursuance of his usual custom to board a "buss" for the depot, in order to bring in his guests, he having rented rooms since the fire from Mrs. Osborne and furnishing travelers with lodging and boarding on a limited scale. When he entered the corridor of the hotel, he saw Curtis coming out of the saloon, when the firing commenced with the result already indicated.

The strangest part of the unfortunate collision, however, is. that the letter, which seems to have been the innocent cause of all the trouble, was not even incidentally alluded to, much less produced in evidence on the prelimmary examination. People of an inquisitive disposition will naturally wonder why its contents were suppressed.

At this writing Mr. Key is doing well and his many friends hope to see him upon the streets in a few days.

—A man may dress as well as his own good judgment and the assistance of an artistic tailor may elect. He may take his "tubs" but if digestive organs are out of order, he will have an unwholesome appearance. His complexion and the white of his eyes will have a yellowish cast. His tongue will be coated, appetite poor, his teeth rusty, his breath abominable. He is one big, unmistakable sign of constipation. The quickest, surest, easiest way to cure this trouble is to take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They are made of refined, concentrated vegetable extracts. Nothing in the least harmful enters into their composition. They hunt down all impurities, and "make them move on." They are the product of many years' study and practice. Dr. Pierce cannot afford to put forth a worthless article.

Address with 21 cents in one-cent stamps, to cover cost of mailing *only*, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and get a copy of the "Medical Adviser.

—The DEMOCRAT is in receipt of the Catalogue for 1897, of the Leinster Stock Farm, located two miles from Bunkie, on the T. & P. and S. L. A. & S. W. Railroads, G. W. Seutell, proprietor.

PERSONAL.

—Mr. Leroy A. Calhoun, of Glenmora, was in town last week.

—Mrs. Emily Archinard, of Shreveport, is in town visiting relatives.

—Mrs. J. M. Armstrong returned last week from a visit to New Orleans.

—Mr. W. J. Wheless, traveling agent of the *Shreveport Times*, was in town last week.

—Mr. J. B. Pickles, a member of the School Board from the Lamourie ward, was in town last Friday.

—Master Neal Davidson, son of Mr. P. H. Davidson, left last week for Baton Rouge, where he will enter the State University as a cadet.

—Mr. L. J. Hakenyos returned from New Orleans Monday night, whithe he had gone on professional business.

—Mrs. Sokolosky, of Shreveport, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Levin, returned home Sunday.

—Hon. John C. Ryan, left for New Orleans yesterday morning, to argue a case on appeal to the Supreme Court from Grant Parish.

—Hon. G. W. Bolton returned from New Orleans Friday night, where he had been attending the annual session of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M.

Arrested for Highway Robbery.

Constable W. J. Gilmore arrested last Friday night and committed to jail, two negroes, Cartisse Frank and Lavigne Gautier, whom he had reason to suspect as being the principals in the series of hold ups and highway robberies recently perpetrated in the suburbs of Alexandria.

They were visited at the jail the next day by Clarence Howard and John Connell, two white men, who positively identified them as the same parties who held them up recently with firearms and robbed them of their money and watches.

These highwaymen are outlaws, who deserve and should receive the full penalty of the law, if not a more summary justice.

Constable Gilmore is entitled to the gratitude of the people, whose lives, as well as valuables, have been put in jeopardy, by the lawless acts of these desperadoes, for ferreting out and bringing them to justice.

These negroes were driven out of Avoyelles parish several years ago by the regulators, on account of alleged competition with white labor.

There must have been something radically wrong about them or they would not have developed into veritable Robin Hoods in such a brief period of time.

HYMENEAL.

LILLY—BOHANNON.—Mr. J. P. Lilly and Miss Josephine Bohannon were married at the Court House, Alexandria, La., on Wednesday, Feb. 10th 1897, Judge E. G. Hunter tying the nuptial knot. The contracting parties reside at Woodworth, the groom being in the service of the Rapides Lumber Co.

DIED.

BOLTON.—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bolton, formerly of Pineville, died at Lake Charles, La., on Thursday morning, Feb 11th 1897. His remains were brought here and interred in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Pineville the next day.

POLLETT.—J. W. Pollett died at the family residence on Bayou Rapides, on Sunday, Feb. 14th 1897. His remains were interred the next day at McNutt's Hill Cemetery, Bayou Rapides. The deceased was a native of Maryland and was 85 years of age.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

District Court—Parish of Rapides.

NO. 730.—WHEREAS EDWARD Plauche has made application to this Court to be appointed Administrator of the Succession of Middleton Plauche, deceased: Notice is hereby given to all whom it doth or may concern, to show cause within ten (10) days from the date hereof, why the same should not be granted.

By order of the Court.

Clerk's office, Alexandria, La., this 12th day of February, 1897.

L. S

C. L. RANSDELL, Clerk.

Feb. 17, 1897.

NOTICE.

SINCE THE LATE FIRE ON FRONT street, my friends and patrons will find me located in the rear of the LOUISIANA DEMOCRAT office, on Johnston street, Alenandria, La.

R. P. HARPER.

(1-27-1mo.)

JUDGMENT.

The State of Louisiana—Parish of Rapides—10th Judicial District Court—January Term, A. D, 1897.

MRS. FLORENCE GREENWOOD vs. COLEMAN GREENWOOD. } No. 4655.

THIS CAUSE BEING CALLED PURsuant to previous assignment, and trial had, and by reason of the law and the evidence being in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendant, it is ordered adjudged and decreed that the said plaintiff, Mrs. Florence Greenwood do have judgment against the defendant Coleman Greenwood, her husband, dissolving the community of acquets and gains heretofore existing between them.

It is further ordered that she be separate in property from her said husband, and that she have the control and administration of her separate estate free from and independent of his control.

It is further ordered that she have judgment for the costs of these proceedings to be taxed.

Thus done read and signed in open Court on this the 8th day of February A D, 1897.

E. G. HUNTER, Judge 10th Judicial District of Louisiana.

Filed February 8th, 1897.

C. L. RANSDELL, Clerk.

SEAL } A true copy of the original on file in this office

C. M. KILPATRICK, Deputy Clerk.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Rapides—Tenth Judicial District Court.

GUS GEHR vs. JOHN P. GROGAN. } No. 4626½.

BY VIRTUE OF AND TO SATISFY A Writ of Fieri Facias, issued from the Honorable the Tenth Judicial District Court, and to me directed as Sheriff of the parish of Rapides, La., commanding and authorizing me to seize and sell the property, rights and credits of Defendant, I have seized the hereinafter described property, and will offer same for sale at Public Auction to the last and highest bidder, at the Store lately occupied by Defendant, situated at the corner of Lee and Fourth streets in the Town of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, La., between the hours prescribed by Law, on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, A. D., 1897,

the following described property to-wit:

One Lot Groceries and Liquors.

Terms of Sale—Cash, subject to appraisement.

D. T. STAFFORD, Sheriff, Parish of Rapides, La.

Feb. 10, 1897.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

Parish of Rapides—Tenth Judicial District Court.

C. W. OWEN vs. HIS CREDITORS. } No. 4587.

SURRENDER.

PURSUANT TO A COMMISSION AND order of sale issued from the Honorable the Tenth Judicial District Court, and to me directed as Sheriff & Ex-Officio Auctioneer of the Parish of Rapides, La., commanding and authorizing me to sell for Cash, according to law, the personal property surrendered in the above entitled Insolvency as shown by the Schedule, I will offer for sale at Public Auction, to the last and highest bidder at the store occupied by the said Insolvent, C. W. Owen, at Theoda, Rapides parish, La., between the hours prescribed by law, commencing

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY, 20TH, A. D., 1897,

and continuing each succeeding day, Sundays excepted, until said sale is completed, the following described property, to-wit:

Stock of General Merchandise

Terms of Sale—Twelve month's Credit for what the property will bring. Purchasers to furnish good and solvent bond bearing 8 per cent. per annum interest, all costs to be paid in cash and deducted from purchase price.

D. T STAFFORD, Sheriff & Ex-Officio Auctioneer, Parish of Rapides, La.

Feb. 10, 1897.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

Parish of Rapides—Tenth Judicial District Court.

CHARLES GERST & CO. vs. THEIR CREDITORS. } No. 4615.

WHEREAS, WALTER C. JOHNSON, Syndic of Charles Gerst & Co., Insolvents, has this day filed in the above numbered and entitled record a Final Account of his administration as such Syndic, praying that the same be approved and homologated and that he be discharged and his bond cancelled.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it doth or may concern, that the said Final Account will be approved and homologated and made the Judgment of this Court and the said Syndic will be discharged and his bond cancelled unless opposition is filed thereto within the delay prescribed by law.

By order of the Court.

SEAL } Given under my hand and seal at Alexandria, La., this the 12th day of February, A. D. 1897.

C. L. RANSDELL, Clerk.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

District Court—Parish of Rapides.

NO. 729.—WHEREAS EDWARD Plauche has made application to this Court to be appointed Administrator of the Succession of Milton Plauche, deceased: Notice is hereby given to all whom it doth or may concern, to show cause within ten (10) days from the date hereof, why the same should not be granted.

By order of the Court.

Clerk's office, Alexandria, La., this 12th day of February, 1897.

L. S

C. L. RANSDELL, Clerk.

Feb. 17, 1897.