

One copy, one year, \$1.00
Six months, 50 cents

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

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

-The editor is indebted to the Sisters and Pupils of St. Francis Xavier's Academy, for an invitation to attend their Commencement Exercises, which were held at the Opera House, on Monday and Tuesday nights, June 25th and 26th, 1897.

-We learn from Dr. S. H. Rushing, the attending physician, that Richard Millard, aged nine years, (son of Mr. O. F. Millard, hardware merchant of this city,) who was kicked on the side of the face and head by a horse attached to the carriage of Mr. Josiah Chambers, on Friday last, has improved slightly, although the wound is still of a serious nature.

-Maybe you can find a chance to improve the BUCKSKIN BREECHES. Just because they are the best pants made doesn't preclude a possibility of improvement. We don't know how to make them any better—don't know how to get any more goodness into them. If you can tell us we'll do it. Nothing too small for consideration if it means improvement.

NEW MEAL.—Our good friend, Mr. Simon Weil, of Bayou Rapides, placed us under obligations last Saturday, with a sack of new meal, the product of corn raised by him on his plantation this year and ground upon his mill. This is the earliest new meal that we have heard of. It is of excellent quality and is far superior to bolted meal for making bread. His good wife, Mrs. Weil, will also please accept our thanks for a basket of the largest and most delicious tomatoes we have seen this season.

-Who does not know women and young girls who are continually in tears? Who always see the dark side? Who have frequent fits of melancholy without any apparent cause? The intelligent physician will know that it is some derangement of the complicated and delicate feminine organs. The young girl suffers, bodily and mentally, in silence. There is undue weariness, unexpected pain, unreasonable tears and fits of temper. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription exerts a wonderful power over woman's delicate organism. It is an invigorating tonic and is specific for the peculiar weaknesses, irregularities and painful derangements of woman. Careless, easy-going doctors frequently treat their women patients for biliousness, nervousness, dyspepsia, liver or kidney troubles, when the real sickness is in the organs distinctly feminine, and no help can come till they are made perfectly strong by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Send 21 cents in one cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 1008 page COMMON SENSE MEDICAL ADVISER, illustrated.

U. S. District Court.

The United States District and Circuit Court for the Western District of Louisiana, his Honor Judge A. Boardman presiding, with J. B. Beatty, Clerk, Charles W. Seal, District Attorney, and Alex Bernstein, Deputy Marshal, in attendance, convened in the court room of the government building, in this city, on Monday morning.

The following were drawn to serve as jurors: W. J. Calvit, D. I. Adams, Henry Geiger, R. O'Shea, John P. Kelso, E. J. Barrett, Lawson Mes, Charles S. Edmunds, L. Fernberg, Nathan Mayer, J. J. Sullivan, R. H. Whittington, Jerry Williams, D. F. McMichael.

The following proceedings were had:

United States vs H. C. Collier. Bond forfeited.

United States vs B. E. Thompson. Alias capias issued.

P. J. Gillen vs the Parish of Natchitoches. Exception to jurisdiction filed by defendant. Answer filed and case set for first day of the January, 1898, term of Court. This is a suit for \$20,000 for building Court House at Natchitoches.

United States vs T. J. Hickman et al. Continued.

United States vs Big Creek Lumber Co. Continued.

Mrs. Annie M. Rhode vs Joseph Sterkx. Continued.

Tudor Iron Works vs St. Louis, Avoyelles and Southwestern Railroad Company. Decree entered confirming report of J. R. Thornton, Master in Chancery, for supplies furnished during construction of road.

Court then adjourned until the fourth Monday in January, 1898.

The following visiting attorneys were in attendance: A. H. Leonard, E. H. Farrar and Phanor Brazier; also A. M. Hewitt, Deputy Internal Revenue Collector, and Sam Fry, U. S. Post Office Inspector.

Commencement St. Francis Xavier's Commercial College.

The fourth annual commencement of the St. Francis Xavier's Commercial College was held at the Opera House last Thursday night.

The institution, established four years ago under the supervision of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart has been considerably increased in enrollment, while the curriculum has been correspondingly advanced.

The exercises consisted of dialogues, recitations and one-act dramas, in all of which the performers acquitted themselves quite creditably. The graduates were: Messrs J. A. Peterman, L. French and J. T. Stafford, each of whom were presented with diplomas. Medals were awarded to J. A. Peterman, Tom Charles, George Holman and Edwin French.

Following is the program:

PROGRAM:

Greeting Glee.....Chorus

SCENE IN A BACKWOODS SCHOOL.

Characters.

Teacher.....George Holman

Pupils.

John Jones.....Jake Weil

Sam Walker.....Louis Treadway

Bill Smith.....Phillip Kramer

Jake Hicks.....Elmore Andrews

Jim Barnes.....Jake Goulet

Solomon North.....Menard Rachal

Legionals, Piano, Miss E. Crawford.

Budding Orators—Michael Kramer, K. Vangoesdenhoven, Edwin French, Albert Dodd, Ephraim Weil, Elmore Andrews.

The Spelling Bee—Humorous Song and Chorus—Wee Tots.

NEW BROOMS SWEEP CLEAN

Characters.

Noah Crusty, rich and crusty, Jeff Stafford.

Fred, his nephew, Jas Leekie

Jacob Trusty, his servant, E. Whittington.

New Brooms.

Tim Regan.....Tom Charles

Andrew Swipes.....C. Kramer

Jim Jimalong.....Jas Andrews

Alemaude, Piano, Miss E. Crawford.

March and Choice of Trades, Juniors.

Take Me Back Home Again, Song, Glee Club.

THE MAN WITH THE DEMI-JOHN.

A Temperance Sketch.

Characters.

Zekiel Short, (Corresponding Secretary of the Rocky Valley Peetotals), J. T. Stafford

Anti-Teetotalers.

Phil Carson.....L. French

Ned Hunter.....E. Aaron

Chick (an infantile darkey) E. Hochendel.

Spartans to the Gladiators—Declaration, Jas Andrews.

Sweet Home—Song.....Glee Club

Gondolier, Piano, Miss E. Crawford

Granting Diplomas.

Valedictory.....Justin A. Peterman

Barrett Light Guards Complete Organization.

The members of the Alexandria military company met last Wednesday night pursuant to notice at the City Hall to complete organization. The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. E. J. Barrett.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved and the roll of membership called.

The following non-commissioned officers were then elected: First Sergeant, J. L. Ross; Second Sergeant, W. O. Wood; Third Sergeant, Charles Turner; Fourth Sergeant, Jeff West; Fifth Sergeant, Seymour Hyams; Quartermaster Sergeant, J. F. Statham; Color Sergeant, Martin O'Shea; First Trumpeter, Emile Schuallinski; Second Trumpeter, Denny O'Shea; First Corporal, James Hyams; Second Corporal, Ben Roberts; Third Corporal, Jerome Weil; Fourth Corporal, L. M. Schilling; Fifth Corporal, A. Y. Compton.

Messrs. W. O. Wood, J. H. Hyams and L. A. Stafford were appointed as a committee on rules and regulations. A. Wettermark, Jr., S. Gugenheim and E. J. Barrett were appointed as a committee on finances.

The muster roll was signed by all the members present.

The name of the company was then chosen by ballot. The names of the twelve companies which enlisted in the Confederate service from Rapides parish, as well as that of the "Barrett Light Guards," were put in nomination, with the result that the latter was unanimously selected, in honor of Mr. E. J. Barrett, an ex-Federal soldier, Mayor of Pineville and a prominent merchant of Alexandria. Mr. Barrett, who was present, thanked the company for the honor conferred upon him and stated that as soon as the company was fully organized and mustered into the service of the State he would present the Barrett Light Guards with an appropriate flag.

The company will drill Tuesday and Friday evenings of each week. The first drill took place last night. Adjutant General Allen Jumeil thinks that he will be able to equip the company next month.

PERSONAL.

—Mr. P. H. Davidson, of La mothe, was in town last week.

—Mr. John Andrews, of Bayou Rapides, was in town Saturday.

—Mr. N. V. Bush, of Zimmerman, was in town last Saturday.

—Mr. Bernard Meyer, of Bayou Rapides, was in town Saturday.

—Dr. A. R. Browne returned Sunday from a week's visit to Pollock.

—Mr. Whitty Miller was greeted by his many friends in town last Saturday.

—Mrs. John T. Powers went to Baton Rouge last Friday to visit a sick relative.

—Miss Minnie Cooper, of Rapides P. O., is visiting the family of Mr. A. B. Rachal.

—Judge James Andrews went to Lamourie Monday, on professional business.

—Misses Nell Blackman and Jeannette Richardson ate visiting friends in Natchitoches.

—Hon. Julius F. Ariail and family left Monday for Big Creek, where they will remain during the summer.

—Miss Gertrude Genius, a former resident of this city, but now of Natchitoches, is the guest of Mrs. S. A. Evans.

—Hon. B. C. Dean, Mayor elect of Boyce, was in town last Saturday, exchanging salutations with his legion of friends.

—Sheriff Stafford informed us Monday that his youngest son David, had been prostrated with continued fever for 22 days.

—Mr. C. L. Ransdell, Clerk of the District Court, returned home last Thursday from a visit of several weeks at Hot Springs, Ark.

—Judge E. G. Hunter returned Friday evening from Natchitoches, where he had been for several weeks holding the regular jury term of the District Court for that Parish.

—Messrs John Hunter, Mason Graham and Duncan Stafford, who have been attending Spring Hill College, near Mobile, Ala., returned home last Thursday to spend vacation.

—Messrs. C. A. Schneck, Bernard Ehrstein, "Grand Father" John Prescott, Major Fred Scip and Major E. B. Penilton spent several days last week, fishing on Big Creek.

—Mr. Sandidge Whittington, who has been attending the Commercial College of Cheney Bros., at Bowling Green, Ky., for the past session, returned home a few days ago, having graduated with the first honors of the institution.

—Mr. W. W. Whittington returned last week from an extended Northern tour in the interest of the Ancient Order United Workmen. While absent, he also represented Jeff Davis Camp No. 6, of Alexandria, at the annual U. C. V. reunion at Nashville.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Grayson, of Harrisonburg, arrived in Alexandria Sunday night. Mrs. Grayson will be the guest of her mother, Mrs. Dr. Ashton, for several weeks. Mr. Grayson is an erstwhile resident of Alexandria, but is now associate editor and one of the proprietors of that sprightly, able and instructive journal, the *Catahoula News*. Being unsuccessful in his efforts to employ a compositor temporarily, he was compelled to return to Harrisonburg this morning, otherwise he would have remained some time with his relatives and many friends in this city.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.—

The following transfers of real estate have been registered in the Recorder's office during the past week:

Daniel F. Clark to Oliver Peart, 40 acres of land, with all the improvements thereon, in Sec. 17, T 2 N., R 2 E. Price \$120.

James A. O'Shea to Julius P. Ariail, lot 3 of square 25, in Alexandria, fronting 106 feet 8 inches on Fourth street, and a frontage of 106 feet 8 inches on Fulton street. Price \$1000.

Esau Snowden to M. J. Dulane, one acre of land in Sec. 17, T 2 N., R 2 W. Price \$15.

Mrs. Ruth A. Clark to E. S. Gunter, 1 1/2 acres of land in Sec. 26, T 1 N., R 2 W. Price \$25.

D. T. Stafford, Sheriff, to Wirt Collins, the undivided one-fourth interest in and to a certain piece of land, on Bayou Boeuf, containing 21 and 80-100 acres. Price \$272 50. Property seized in suit Edward Plauche vs Montfort Plauche.

Mrs. Anna G. Boyce to Boyce Cotton Seed Oil and Manufacturing Co., Ltd., donation of sufficient land for a side track from the T. & P. track at Boyce to the grounds of the said Company. Also donation of three acres of land on the right descending bank of Red river, one acre front running back three acres deep, to be used as a site for cotton seed oil mill.

—A certain amount of warmth is necessary for the growth and abundant yield of cotton, but we are having now entirely too much heat even for that tropical plant.

The True Remedy.

W. H. Bepine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, colds, whooping cough, etc." It is safe to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged upon you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at the Eagle drug store.

FOUND.—A carriage lamp, on the Bayou Robert road, which the owner can have by calling at this office, proving property and paying for this advertisement.

BORN:

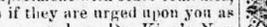
To Mrs. John Nunnerly, of Pineville, on Wednesday morning, June 23d, 1897, a son.

To Mrs. R. O. Simmons, of Alexandria, on Sunday morning, June 27th, 1897, a daughter.

NECROLOGICAL.

Miss Hattie, only child of Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Lobdell, died at the family residence, Alexandria, La., on Tuesday morning, June 22d, 1897. The deceased was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin, 35 years ago, but had resided in Alexandria for eight years.

TEXAS



Only Line

From Central Texas with Through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars Daily Without Change

TO THE

NASHVILLE

GENTENNIAL.

GREATLY REDUCED RATES.

7-Hours Quickest Time-7

2 FAST TRAINS 2 DAILY

To Memphis, Nashville, St. Louis, Chicago and THE EAST AND NORTH.

Take advantage of the opportunity to visit your Old Home for little money.

SEE NEAREST TICKET AGENT.

H. P. HUGHES, Travel Agent, 6th and Main Sts., PORT WORTH, TEX.

L. S. THORNE, E. P. TURNER, Third V. P. and Gen'l Mgr., G. P. and T. L. BULLIS, TEX.

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

Parish of Rapides—Tenth Judicial District Court.

MINORS INVENTORY FOR TUTORSHIP AND INVENTORY.

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE to me directed as Sheriff and ex-officio auctioneer of the Parish of Rapides, issued by the aforesaid Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, commanding me to sell according to law the interest of the minors Charles and Frederick Hustmyre in and to the following described property, I will therefore, at the front door of the Court House, in the Town of Alexandria, sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, for cash, between the hours prescribed by law, on

SATURDAY, 31st day of JULY, A. D. 1897,

the undivided one-fifth interest of the said minors in and to the following described property situated in the Town of Alexandria, Rapides Parish, La., to-wit:

1st. The upper portion of lot number one of square number fourteen, of the upper suburbs of said town, having a front of fifty-three feet on Second street and running back in parallel lines to lot number three in the rear. Bounded above by lot two of same square, and below by the lower remaining portion of said lot one, with the buildings and improvements thereon.

2d. All the remaining portion of said lot number one of square number fourteen of the upper suburbs of said town; bounded in front by Second street, below by Jackson street and in the rear by lot three of same square, and on the upper side by the upper portion of said lot one as above described.

Terms of Sale—Cash, subject to appraisal and the price fixed by family meeting held in the said proceedings.

D. T. STAFFORD, Sheriff and ex-officio Auctioneer. June 30, 1897.

HOMESTEAD NOTICE.

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., June 17, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Clerk of District Court, at Alexandria, La., on August 9, 1897, viz: Major Franklin Moss, who made Homestead Entry No. 15519, for the S. 1 of N. W. 1/4 and N. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4 Sec. 30, T. 1 N., R. 1 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. S. Cook, Hubbard Flower, James D. Dunn and Richard Henderson, all of Rapides Parish.

G. MCD. BRUMBY, Register. June 23, 1897.

IF YOU WANT TO GET RICH Buy Your DRY GOODS, SHOES, NOTIONS, GLASS, CROCKERY, TINWARE, HATS, CAPS, MILLINERY, EMBROIDERY and STATIONERY. At The N. Y. Racket Store, Cor. Third and Murray Sts., F. E. McDERMOTT & CO. PROPRIETORS.

REMOVAL SALE OF S. RUBIN'S ENTIRE STOCK. WHAT DOES IT MEAN? It Means a Grand Selling Out for the Next 60 Days. It means that I am obliged to vacate my present location. It means that neither dollars nor cents will be spared to clear out my entire stock, which consists of Novelties in Dress Goods, Laces, Embroideries, Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Shoes, Hats and Caps. NOW IS THE TIME FOR THE PUBLIC TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BARGAINS. No necessity to quote prices, as everything will positively be sold at cost and below cost for the next 60 days. This sale will commence on Monday, - May - 24th. S. RUBIN, Front St. Remember the Place.