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COVINGTON, LA. :

Saturday, January 31, 1880.

THERE WILL BE A GRAND DAY PROCESSION, AND MASQUERADE BALL AT NIGHT, IN COVINGTON, ON THE 10th OF FEBRUARY. FUN FOR EVERYBODY.

Hon. Jefferson Davis is in New Orleans.

The Amite City Independent has been enlarged and improved. It presents a fine appearance.

The jealous "art critic" of the *Maurepas Gazette* congratulates us upon our recent acquisition of "new music." We made a "note" of it and return a "chord" of thanks. Have some catnip, Bob?

The Donaldsonville Chief, Linden E. Bentley, editor and proprietor, appeared to us this week. The Chief is the official journal of Ascension parish, and is one of the finest rural papers in the State. We welcome the ascension of the Chief to our exchange list.

Hon. E. W. Robertson, our Representative in Congress, has placed us under obligations this week for valuable public documents. Among them is a very interesting work on the "Science of Hydraulic Engineering," with handsome illustrations, by Edw. Fontaine.

The following are the addresses of our Senator and Representative during the session of the General Assembly:

John Settoon (Senator,) No. 91 Chartres street, New Orleans, La.
A. W. Weems (Representative,) Nos. 8 and 10 Royal street, New Orleans, La.

Major Burke, editor of the New Orleans Democrat, and Major Hearsey, editor of the Daily States, fought a duel on Metairie Ridge last Tuesday evening. Various articles upon the subject of the city printing, recently awarded to the Democrat, was the cause of it. Two shots were exchanged, with duelling pistols, at a distance of ten paces. "Nobody hurt."

LETTER FROM NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, JAN. 26, 1880.

EDITOR ST. TAMMANY FARMER:

What is going to happen after the "bloody shirt" has been turned wrong side out, and now graces the noble shoulders of the rampant Maine politician? While we all deprecate a disturbance in our neighbor's camp, yet we very complacently smooth the wrinkles from the corners of our elongated mouths and wonder how that State feels, being placed in the same position Louisiana was several years ago.

At all events, we wish them well out of it, and are charitable enough to hope there will not be so much sadness connected with their political outbreak as there has been with ours; and if "Haleio and Blainio" could be sent to the front and made to take the brunt of the disgraceful muddle, they would get no more than their just dues.

New Orleans is to have a treat this week, that has never before been given here. An "Author's Carnival" will be produced on the 27th, 28th and 29th of January, on the grandest possible scale. Elegant costumes, profuse decorations, and plentiful and choice refreshments will be the order of these nights, interspersed with harmonious religious and secular music, vocal and instrumental; also numerous tableaux. Four thousand tickets are out, and such is the demand for them, to witness this interesting and curious spectacular novelty, that more tickets may have to be struck off. The streets flame with the hand-bills, and the affair will be second only to the Mardi Gras celebration—which I fear won't be much in New Orleans, since the King will be in Covington on that day.

"Iron" still is king of the market. Cotton has dipped its white head to this "boom," which has enlivened the whole country, and has even waked up sleepy old England; and one firm here (that of Minnigerode & Berl) have consignments of old iron coming amounting to 20,000 tons. Five steamships are now at this port unloading old scrap iron, and the boom is still booming, although some firms are of the opinion that prices are as high as they will get, and there will soon be a decline.

Our city is very lively at present, and the outlook for business is very good; but there is a feeling of depression that the mild winter will cause sickness next summer. It is all very well to say this, but it will not be altogether due to the mild winter, if sickness ensues the coming summer. The citizens will have themselves alone to blame, for some of our prominent business men have urged the sanitary measures best calculated to insure health, but they have met with so much discouragement and inertness from the community at large, that all their plans are being gradually abandoned, for the want of general commendation.

The sanitary condition of the city is disgraceful, and this inattention on the part of the people to the warnings of the sanitary commission—to whose credit, be it said,

are doing all in their power to remedy the offensive evil—is to be regretted, for of what avail are their efforts unless seconded by the people?

Memphis is profiting by her past sad experience, and making every exertion to prevent a recurrence of former seasons.

The ball season is drawing to a close, and as the time approaches "the dance grows wilder." Every night in the week there are parties, balls and masquerades, and the "society young man" looks longingly to the 10th of February, when the "route" will cease, and he will have leisure to take off his white kids and "costume de rigueur."

The "sheep furore," which for the past year has created such lively prices in that stock, is gradually subsiding, and the original owners will soon be able to buy back their stock far below what they sold it for, from those who have become disheartened because the sheep did not grow gold instead of wool.

A. L. R.

POLICE JURIES.

[New Orleans Democrat.]

Among the laws which the present Legislature will be called upon to enact, there are none more important or deserving of mature deliberation than those which shall relate to and define the nature of local government as administered by the Police Juries in the parishes. Not only is it contemplated by the spirit of our institutions, but it is demanded by every consideration of propriety and common sense, that those details of government which are purely local in their character, and which can be directed in no way so effectively as by local authority, should be confided to the Police Juries. Of course all the advantages and objects of this system could easily be defeated by constituting the Police Juries without reference to fitness and economy, for it is well known that the most irritating and offensive features of the Radical administration were manifested through the medium of the ignorant, rapacious and reckless acts of the Police Jurors. The office, which is essentially one of patriotic honor and responsibility, and should be filled by men of the first intelligence and the closest interest in the common welfare, was allowed to become an object for the indecent scramble of small henchmen, and was used by the party leaders to reward these henchmen's dirty work. Under such influences the Police Jury became a terror and affliction to good citizens, a barrier to harmony and prosperity. Local affairs were plunged into inexplicable confusion, and misgovernment in its worst and most perilous form presided over the scene. This, however, is not the legitimate operation of the Police Jury—indeed, no such operation would be possible under an honest government honestly administered. Police Juries properly constituted—composed of the most intelligent and patriotic citizens, serving without pay and for the sole purpose of securing the welfare of the parish—are most powerful factors of order

and progress. They dispose of innumerable details of which the State government could take no adequate cognizance, and apply to local matters a special influence and information which could not be implied or even contemplated in any general law. It is, in fact, of the first importance that the Legislature should provide for the formation of Police Juries upon a basis that will guarantee for them the greatest possible efficiency and usefulness. The members should be appointed by the Governor, in order that men may be secured who will lend wisdom and influence and patriotism to the government, and they should be required to serve without pay, in order that only those may be brought forward who will see their reward in the common good rather than in personal emolument. The whole system of the management of our local affairs should be purified from top to bottom. It is what the State needs more than anything else, and it is in accomplishing this, thoroughly and promptly, that the present administration can earn the proudest place in the affection and gratitude of the people.

FRIENDSHIP.

What is friendship? 'Tis a pearl,
Down so deep in life's dark sea,
That the few who find the treasure
Grasp the jewel doubtingly,
Lest they find out, to their sorrow,
When neglected and alone,
That the gem, deemed rare and priceless,
Proves to be a worthless stone. S.

THE NEWS FROM MAINE.

The latest dispatches from Maine state that the Fusionists are much depressed by the decision of the Supreme Court. Major Smith, the Fusion Governor, says that he believes the contest is about ended. In view of the fact that the court had decided against the Fusionists on their own statement, he says they can do nothing but gracefully submit. He expresses the intention of going home.

A special dispatch to the Boston Herald, from Augusta, dated Wednesday, the 28th inst., says: "The Fusion Legislature, after a prolonged secret session this afternoon, adjourned to meet on the first Wednesday in August next. Many members will go home not to return here before that date. Others will go back to their districts for instructions as to joining or remaining out of the State House Legislature, and some will take their seats among their Republican brethren. Some of the counted-in members will go home, and others will contest the seats of their rivals in the Capitol, for the sake of getting the pay usually voted to contestants. Two Fusionists to-day appeared in the Republican House, and numerous others express their intention of doing so to-morrow. The Fusion Governor Smith, and Mr. Talbot, Speaker of the Fusion House, will leave for home to-morrow.

The Era, the leading organ of the Greenback party in Maine, submits to the decision of the Supreme Court.

GORGEOUS DISPLAY IN COVINGTON, ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10.

REVIVAL OF THE EXODUS.

A dispatch from St. Louis says that the tide of negro emigration from the South has set in again. About a hundred arrived on the steamer Scudder last Sunday and left for Kansas, while as many more came by the steamer John B. Maude Monday night. All of these people have some money, and came from East Baton Rouge and Washington parishes, Louisiana, and Grenada, Miss. A colored man acting as agent has sent to the Relief Committee a list of 900 families who wish to come North in a few days.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

State of Louisiana—Fifth District Court for the parish of Orleans.

A. A. BAUDOIN vs. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH of the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

By virtue of an order of seizure and sale to me directed by the honorable Fifth District Court in and for the parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, bearing date January 7, 1880, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Courthouse door in the town of Covington, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, on SATURDAY, the 6th day of March, 1880, between legal sale hours, the following described property, to-wit:

A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, rights, ways, privileges or servitudes thereunto attached, or in any wise appertaining, situated in the town of Mandeville, parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, forming the corner of Carroll and Jefferson streets, measuring (French measure) two hundred feet front on Carroll street, by a depth and front on Jefferson street of two hundred and fifty feet, between equal and parallel lines, together also with the household furniture, consisting of the following articles, to-wit: One Sideboard, one Safe, two small Stoves, five Tables, thirteen Chairs, three Bedsteads, four Mattresses, three Pillows, one Bureau, one Round Table, two Rocking Chairs, one Clock, one Candle Shade, one Armour, two Wash Stands, one Bowl and Pitcher, one Desk, one broken Wagon, and one undivided and indivisible sixth part of the Wharf in front of Carroll street, and the remaining part of the Bath House, No. 1, thereon.

Seized in the above entitled suit. Terms and Conditions of sale—Two hundred dollars in cash, with interest at 8 per cent. from the 11th day of December, 1879, costs of suit, and \$2 50 cost of protest, and attorney's fees at 5 per cent. on the said two hundred dollars, and also all taxes due on said property. The purchaser assuming the payment of four notes of two hundred dollars each, dated New Orleans, December 11, 1871, with interest at 8 per cent. from maturity until paid, paraphed by O. de Armas, notary public, and payable to the order of your petitioner, and maturing respectively on the 14th of December, 1880, 1881, 1882 and 1883; and three interest coupons of thirty, twenty and ten dollars, respectively, falling due December 14, 1880, December 14, 1881, and December 14, 1882, and conforming to all the obligations of the act of sale and mortgages before O. de Armas, notary public, dated New Orleans, December 11, 1871, and paying the balance of the price of adjudication, if any, cash on the spot; and in case the price bid for the property should, after deduction of the aforesaid fees, costs and taxes, in cash, be less than the aggregate amount of your petitioner's claim of two hundred dollars, with interest as aforesaid, and of the notes and interest coupons to be assumed as above expressed, then the purchaser to pay your petitioner's aforesaid cash claim, and assume said four notes and interest coupons, in proportion to the extent of his bid.

W. B. COOK, Sheriff. Covington, La., January 31, 1880. ja31 5t

STRAYED.

From the place of the undersigned, on or about the 10th of November, 1879, a certain light colored red COW, short-horned English breed, about four years old, marked with a smooth crop on one ear and swallow-fork and upper and under bit on the other. She will have a calf soon. Any person returning the same will be liberally rewarded by

JOHN C. MATHIEU, Millwood Place. ja31 1t