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PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY OF THE St. Tammany Parish.

COVINGTON, LA., March 13, 1882.
The Police Jury met at the Court-house on the above date.

Present—J. M. Allison, President; W. B. Rogers, Milton Burns, R. Galatas, C. Aubry and A. Cousin. Absent—James W. Smith, M. H. Cray, W. E. Parker and P. Welch. The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Mr. Rogers moved to strike out the resolution adopted at the last meeting, appointing a committee to examine all warrants issued prior to January 1, 1881, and indorse all good warrants as "valid" and destroy all others, as said committee was unnecessary. Adopted, and committee discharged.

Mr. Galatas moved that the resolution adopted at the last meeting, appointing a committee to examine the books of Mr. Poole, Parish Treasurer, be rescinded, and that a new committee be appointed, to examine the books of the Tax Collector and the Parish Treasurer, and report at the next meeting. Adopted.

The President appointed on said committee Messrs. Cousin, Aubry and Burns.

Mr. Burns moved that the appointment of James Fitzgerald, overseer on the Lee Ferry road, from Covington to the ward line, be stricken out. Adopted.

Appointments of road overseers at last meeting were amended so as to read as follows:

James Page, from the foot of the big bridge, on the west side of the Bogue Falia, on the Columbia and Pearl River road, to the forks of the Military Road.

Herman Shoults, from the forks of the Military road, on the Columbia road, to the ward line.

J. L. Phillips, on the Bayou Lacombe road, from the corporation line of Mandeville, on Girod street, to the Covington road.

Willy Mauchington, on the road from Lewisburg to the Covington road, at Tute Loose.

The minutes, as amended, were then approved.

On motion of Mr. Galatas, Mr. Reid was elected Parish Attorney, at a salary of \$100 per year.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the lower room in the Courthouse formerly occupied by the Police Jury was rented to Mr. Reid, for the sum of \$25 per year.

On motion of Mr. Burns, Mr. W. C. Warren was unanimously indorsed by the Police Jury as Parish Treasurer.

BILLS PRESENTED.

G. H. Gause, to balance due for making the assessment rolls of 1881, \$100, and to amount expended for poll books, stationery, etc., \$11 30.

Approved and made receivable for taxes and licenses of 1881.

G. H. Gause, to balance due for making the assessment rolls of 1880, \$50. Approved and made receivable for the taxes and licenses of 1880.

W. B. Cook, to feeding and guarding prisoner, Chas. Sharp, from January 1 to February 4, \$32, \$52 50; to feeding George Bland nine days, \$4 50; to feeding Benjamin Williams fifteen days, \$7 50; to feeding Frank Archer seventy-two days, \$36. Total, \$105. Approved.

S. D. Ellis, District Attorney, for convicting Joe Smith to the Penitentiary, at October term, of the District Court, \$15; for convicting Joe Silva to the Penitentiary, at May term, 1881, of the Dis-

trict Court, \$10. Total \$25. Approved.

J. O. Poole, to two years services as Parish Treasurer, to January 23, 1882, \$400. Laid over till next meeting.

Covington, La., March 13, 1882.
To the honorable President and members of the Police Jury:

Gentlemen—We the undersigned citizens of the Second Ward, parish of St. Tammany, respectfully petition your honorable body to grant us a public road, to run from Mrs. King's place, on the Military road, to the six mile post on the Lee road; said road runs through the forks known as the head of Bagley's Mill creek. We contend that by granting us this road, it will be the means of settling up this part of the ward. Also, that Fritz Meyers be appointed overseer of said road.

Signed—Emanuel Taylor, S. W. Taylor, Thomas Sharp, Hugh Sharp, Oliver Sharp, Benton Taylor, Wm. Taylor, F. Meyers, L. Sharp, F. Sharp, A. Sharp.

On motion, the prayer of petitioners was granted.

Mr. Aubry offered the following: Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to lay out the road from the Bayou Lacombe and Pearl River road up to Tucker's.

Adopted, and the following committee appointed: A. G. Tucker, John Burtean and A. L. Cousin.

The following road overseers were appointed: J. R. Toomer, from Bayou Lacombe to Marigny's cow-pen, on the Mandeville road.

Alex Todd, from Aubry's ferry to the four mile post, on the Bonfouca road.

James Baker, from Aubry's ferry to two miles above Tucker's, on the Pearl River road.

EIGHTH WARD—From the center of Gum Creek to the Race Course, Jno. Tally.

From the Race Course to Indian Village, Antoine Provost.

From Mrs. Stroder's to Deer Island and Salt Bayou, Herbert Snider.

From Hickory Grove Church to Bayou Vincent, James F. Bailey.

From Oak Grove Church to Bayou Vincent, Jno. Hirsch.

NINTH WARD—On the road from the west bank of Bayou Liberty to the division line between the Seventh and Ninth Wards, Charles Pichon.

On the road from the east bank of Bayou Liberty to John Tally's, Theophile Faciane.

On the road from the east end of the bridge, on Bayou Vincent, to the church on the Pearl River road, — Cheny.

Mr. Rogers offered the following ordinance:

1. Let a tax called "Road Tax" be levied by the Police Jury on every resident of the parish between the ages of 21 and 45 years, subject to road duty, including the incorporated towns, who are also interested in public roads. Such tax not to exceed 10 mills as ordained by the Constitution of 1879, for all purposes, in the parish. Said tax to be \$1 or \$1 50, and no more.

2. The Police Jury to order an election of two commissioners of roads in each ward, to serve four years, subject to removal by the Police Jury on the application of ten citizens of the ward, for neglect of duty, incapacity, or any other good cause.

3. Their duty will be to keep a list of their respective wards a correct list of all persons subject to the tax, furnish a list to the Assessor every year, and compel all persons, by notice, to do their work on the roads where they are summoned to work; and in case of refusal or neglect on their part, to report the same to the Grand Jury.

4. A penalty in their hands as well as of Roads, to be imposed on the above named persons, for neglecting to do the above duty, and for any other cause. On motion of...

Secretary was authorized to indorse all bills approved at this meeting, in the name of the President.

The following bills were issued to members:

R. Galatas, 1 day and mileage, 14 miles.....	3 70
M. Burns 1 day and mileage, 16 miles.....	3 80
J. M. Allison, 1 day and mileage, 14 miles.....	3 70
W. B. Rogers, 1 day and mileage, 24 miles.....	4 20
C. Aubry, 1 day and mileage 40 miles.....	5 00
A. Cousin, 1 day and mileage, 60 miles.....	6 00

The Jury then adjourned, to meet on the second Tuesday in May, 1882.

J. M. ALLISON, President.
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JOHNNY ON SNAKES.

Snakes is mosely pizen, but some don't. My father says they used to walk on their tails, the same as us, but now they has to walk on their bellies, for foolin' Eave; but they like it that way best. Snakes is said to be the same as a serpence, but I always thought a serpence was the biggest. The rattlesnake's skin is too short for him, and don't cover up all his bones, and when he wiggles they makes a noise. My sister's young man be says its the folt of the rattlesnake's tailor in a measure.

There is one wich is got stripes and is called a garter snake, but it ain't got no buckle and ain't much worn. It might be fastened with a clasp, like a trunk, but not to the elephants. The eel would be a snake if it wasn't so good to eat, wich makes 'em fish. If you put a eel in your brother's bed it will be a snake when he gets in, and he will holler wild.

There is a kind of snake wich takes its tale in its mouth and roles. Once a little boy seen one of 'em rolen, and that it was some boy's hoop got away, and he got after it with a stick to role it home for himself; but as he hit it, it let go its tale and bit him good on the nose. Some folks tell fibs, but I seen this myself. That boy is now an old man and my father, and I hope it will be a warnin' to him.

Snakes eat frogs, like French, and them in the menagerie has a rabbit. One day a big 'un in the menagerie swollered his blanket, and the keeper believed some boy had stole it, so he give him a other, and he swollered that 'un too. When the keeper he come round agin and didn't see no blanket, he begun to think things, but the snake looked up at him so innocent he was ashamed, and went and got him an other, but he watcht. When he seen the snake a swallerin' that 'un too, he went and fetcht a pillar and threw it to him, and said, now, if your agoin to make up your bed inside like that, you better take this pillar, and when you've turned in, let me pass you down a bottle of hot water for your feet, and make comfortable. What time would you like to be woke in the mornin'?

There is snakes as long as trees, which eats gold. When the gotes is down, they breathe, but the snake that, at...