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W. G. KENTZEL, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

Mr. Roland Galatas is authorized to act as agent for the Farmer at Madisonville.

Mr. James Keyser is authorized to act as agent for the Farmer at Slidell.

Through the vigilant efforts of Sheriff Stroble, three men have been arrested and are now in jail, suspected of being implicated in the assassination of Peter Jolly, at Bayou LaCombe. Their names are Ursin Moses, alias Deneger, James Cousin, alias Chote, and Joseph Cousin, alias Pat.

The editor returns thanks to the Covington Women's War Relief Association, for the compliment extended in electing us an honorary member. Our services are at their disposal as long as the necessity exists for the noble work in which they are so patriotically engaged.

On Wednesday next, Aug. 10, the people of Mandeville will have a grand flag raising in front of Paul's Exchange, attended with elaborate ceremonies, such as singing of patriotic songs by a host of children, music, speeches by interesting speakers, fireworks, etc. The affair promises to be a notable one. The people of Covington and St. Tammany Parish are cordially invited to attend.

Chairman W. B. Porter has called the Congressional Executive Committee to meet at Baton Rouge on August 15, to decide upon the time and manner for nominating a candidate for Congress from this district. There will be some contention as to whether the nomination shall be by convention or primary election.

An entertainment will be given at the Town Hall, Saturday night, Aug. 20, under the auspices of the Covington Musical and Dramatic Club, for the benefit of the Episcopal Church. There will be a comedy drama, entitled "Everybody's Friend." After the performance, dancing and refreshments. Admission, 25 cents.

Mrs. Sam Poole and baby girl arrived at Oak Lawn, from Madisonville this week.

Lovely baby, bright and fair, With thy wealth of sunny hair, May thy life be pure and sweet, Naught to mar it, all complete.

Porto Rico is one-third smaller than Connecticut and has a population one-fourth larger. More than one-half the people are white, and most of them are of a peaceful, industrious, agricultural class. The climate is much better than that of Cuba. The island has an abundance of fresh water, and the country has not been ravaged by war or internal disturbances of any kind.

Judging from the news of the invasion of Porto Rico, it is more like a triumphal procession than war. The advance of the army under Gen. Miles is received by the people of the island with cheers and other manifestations of satisfaction at the prospect of early freedom from the rule of Spain. Several thousand volunteers have laid down their arms, and citizens have expressed a desire to join the army and assist in the capture of San Juan, where, it is understood, the Spaniards are prepared to make a desperate resistance, as the city is well fortified against an attack from the sea or land.

The revenue department has ruled that all persons doing a discount or collecting business in commercial paper must pay the revenue tax. This does not apply to persons who take paper in the ordinary course of their business in payment for goods or accommodation to one of their customers, but it does apply to those acting as agents or correspondents of regular banking institutions, and make collections or transact business in commercial paper at a profit or as a branch department. The revenue inspector will make his rounds as soon as Mr. Souer is installed, and New Orleans as well as country offenders will be made to come up and perhaps will be fined. The only thing that will save them from the fine is in the fact that the law is not as yet well understood, but this will not be an excuse in future.

The Rev. W. B. Costly, Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Eilenwood, that place, was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life. I relieved me at once."

For Sale by V. H. Frederick, Covington, and R. B. Paine, Mandeville.

REGISTER.

We understand that many voters are failing to register because they cannot read and write and have no taxable property. To such we say: If you or your father or your grandfather was a voter on the 1st of January, 1867, or prior thereto, you are entitled to register and vote, whether you can read and write or not, or whether you have property or not. But you must register before the 1st day of September next. We would urge all such to attend to the matter in time. The Registrar may now be found daily at the court house.

Peace negotiations are in progress, and the war will probably end in a few days.

There are over 4000 sick soldiers at Santiago, and our army will be moved away from there as soon as possible.

Help Wanted.

The Woman's War Relief Association is engaged in a plan of charitable work which should commend itself to every sympathetic heart. The efforts of earth's ministering angels are devoted to the improvement of the conditions of our sick soldiers, and to the enhancement of the temporal welfare of those harder soldiers who have successfully resisted the insidious camp maladies. Day after day the ladies have labored with pains-taking assiduity gathering delicacies for the camp hospital patients and making garments for the poorly clad soldiers of Uncle Sam. And the War Relief Association knows no rank nor caste nor creed. Rich and poor, high and low, Gentile and Jew, are included in the personnel of its membership.

Women of wealth to whose fingers the needle and thimble were once strangers, have vied with each other in the production of needed garments for Louisiana's fighting sons. Many have braved the terrors of night that they minister to the comfort of the visiting soldiers. Not a few of the latter have gone on their way with tears of gratitude wetting their cheeks and their lips poured forth blessings on the heads of their comforters "for their sweet compassion."

The good accomplished by the Women's War Relief Association can hardly be measured by words. It is too extensive for expression, too effective for description. Much as they may do, however, the ladies cannot carry on the good work without financial aid from those men who have been unable to respond to their country's call for soldiers. They have issued an appeal to all business men and employees to contribute the infinitesimal sum of ten cents per month. This will create a fund which will enable them not only to execute their extensive plan of charity, but perhaps to increase their field of usefulness.

Who will refuse to respond to this appeal? We are convinced that there is no man whose sense of patriotism and feeling of sympathy are so dulled by sordid greed for money that he will decline to contribute this sum to the Woman's War Relief Association. It is but a mite that they ask; and God will bless the giver.—Item.

Queer Practice.

Corporal Chas. C. Duple, of Co. A., 1st Regiment, Louisiana Volunteers, who is here recuperating from sickness contracted in the service, went over to the city last Monday to see the paymaster in regard to his pay. The "final settlement" papers were officially correct, having passed through the proper Government channels, and bore endorsement. It seems that the paymaster informed him that he would have to sign a document implying that he contracted his illness before enlisting, which Corporal Duple very properly refused to do, although a number of others have done so, doubtless misunderstanding the matter. It seems to us that when a man has passed the examining sergeants and been accepted, that should be sufficient evidence that he was perfectly well and sound when he enlisted. When Corporal Duple entered the service, he did so from patriotic motives, and thoroughly equipped himself at his own expense. When discharged, at Mobile, a very sick man, he was refused transportation home, which he also paid.

Fire at Slidell.

Slidell, La., July 30, 1898. This morning, about 2 o'clock, fire was discovered in the saloon of Messrs. E. F. Perilloux & Co. This building, with its contents, was soon consumed, from whence the fire spread to the store belonging to the same parties. The store and stock soon lay in ashes, with but very few of the goods saved. The residence of Mr. E. F. Perilloux was next attacked, which shared the fate of the other buildings; from thence the fire spread to the warehouse and this, too, was totally demolished, with its contents. Mr. Perilloux estimates the loss at \$20,000, with \$6000 insurance. The fire is supposed to have originated from the explosion of a lamp in the barroom.—Picayune.

The Best Remedy for Flux.

Mr. John Mathias, a well known stock dealer of Palski, Ky., says: "After suffering for over a week with flux, and my physician having failed to relieve me, I was advised to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and have the pleasure of stating that the half of one bottle cured me."

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

COUNCIL HALL, COVINGTON, LA., Aug. 2, 1898.

The Council met in regular session on the above date.

Present—S. D. Anderson, Mayor; C. T. Williams, O. V. Richard, Hardy H. Smith, H. T. G. Weaver, Emilie Frederick, Absent—M. C. Day.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following resolution was then read:

Resolved, That the compensation of the Town Marshal shall be and is hereby fixed at \$40 per month. The duties of the Marshal shall be to make the assessment roll, collect all taxes and licenses, and to attend all Council meetings, and to make arrests for violation of any of the town ordinances, and act as sanitary officer of the town.

Moved by Capt. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the above resolution be adopted. Carried.

Petitions were then read from Messrs L. J. Heintz and P. J. Dulong for the position of Town Marshal.

The Council then proceeded to elect a Town Marshal.

Mr. Richard nominated Mr. P. J. Dulong. Seconded by Mr. Hardy Smith.

There being no other nominations, Mr. P. J. Dulong was elected Town Marshal.

It was moved by Capt. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Richard, that the Council buy one Austin Road Machine for the use of the corporation. Carried.

On motion, duly seconded, Mayor Anderson was instructed to attend to the purchase of said machine.

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the Covington High School be allowed the use of the Town Hall, except the Council room, from the 15th of August, 1898, to the 1st day of June, 1899, and that the Hall be used for no other purpose. Carried.

It was moved, and duly seconded, that Capt. Weaver be authorized to build a brick curbing built in front of the Town Hall, and around the east side. Carried.

Dr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Richard, that Mr. Smith be authorized to have the Town Hall insured for three years. Carried.

Dr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Richard, that Capt. Weaver and Mr. Smith be appointed a committee to have the Theard Avenue tute investigated, and to report at the next meeting. Carried.

The following petition was then read:

To the honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen—We the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of your said town respectfully represent that there is a pressing need in your said town of a school for the purpose of educating the children of said town within the limits of said town.

Wherefore petitioners pray that a special election be ordered for the purpose of submitting to the property tax payers of said town a proposition to impose a special tax of five mills per annum on all taxable property in said town, for a period of ten years.

(Signed by 63 property tax payers.)

On motion, duly seconded, the above petition was accepted.

The following ordinance was then read and adopted:

WHEREAS, More than one-third of the property tax payers of the Town of Covington, Louisiana, have petitioned the Town Council to levy a special tax of five mills per annum on all taxable property in said town, for the purpose of erecting a public school house, and other school purposes, and for the building of a public school house;

Be it ordained, etc., That a special election be held in the town of Covington, La., on Monday the 12th day of September, 1898, for the purpose of submitting to the property tax payers of said town a proposition to levy a special tax of five mills per annum on all taxable property, for a period of ten years, for the purpose of erecting a public school house, and other school purposes.

Be it further ordained, etc., That said election be conducted under the same rules and in the same manner as elections for municipal officers. That all property tax payers shall be allowed to vote at said election. That each voter desiring to vote for said proposition shall write or print on his ballot the words: "In favor of the tax for erecting a school house." And those opposed: "Against the tax for the public school house."

Mr. Anderson presented the following report on the Cemetery Fund:

By Cemetery fund \$115 00

To cash paid Dutch Bros. for well 33 00

H. H. Smith, brush hook, 75 00

Tom Rouse, for labor, 16 25

Tom Harvey, 16 25

Feece Taylor, 13 25

D. E. Knible, building walk and basin, 4 35

Smith & Anderson hauling sand, 1 25

Total 867 10

Balance on hand, 827 90

On motion, the above fund was turned over to the Improvement Committee for the use of the Cemetery.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amount of collections for the month of July, 1898:

Corporation Taxes \$130 10

Railroad Tax 108 33

Licenses 54 00

Fines 11 50

Graveyard lots 10 00

Total \$313 93

The following bills were read and approved:

L. J. Heintz, deputy marshal, 11 days, and one meal to prisoner, \$11 75.

J. B. Lancaster, A. Sharp, Chas. Frederick and E. R. Doyle, election officers, June 1898, 43 each.

The Council then adjourned till the first Tuesday in September 1898.

S. D. ANDERSON, Mayor.

W. G. KENTZEL, Secretary.

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Election Proclamation

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of St. Tammany, Covington, Aug. 3, 1898.

By virtue of an Ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen of the town of Covington, La., on Tuesday, August 2, 1898, we, the Board of Supervisors of St. Tammany, do hereby give notice that an election will be held in the town of Covington, La., on

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1898.

For the purpose of voting on the question of levying a special tax of five mills for a period of ten years, for educational purposes, and to build a school house, the question to be submitted to the property tax payers of the town.

Of this the duly qualified electors of the town of Covington will take due notice.

The polls will be open from seven in the morning to six in the evening. Commissioners A. Sharp, Charles Frederick, E. R. Doyle, Clerk—J. B. Lancaster.

Ed. BERWATER, WARREN THOMAS, Board of Supervisors, Parish of St. Tammany.

List of Letters,

Remaining in the Postoffice at Covington, La., Monday, August 1, 1898:

Bayley John Henry

Grishopp Mr.

Green A C

Gervais Armandine Miss

Holliday Milton

If not called for in thirty days from date, the above letters will be sent to the Postoffice.

A fee of one cent additional postage is required on all advertised letters.

Open Sunday, on arrival of train. Close promptly one hour after arrival of the train.

ELBA H. SIMMONS, P. M.

WANTED.

SEWING MACHINES To Repair.

Orders from all parts of the Parish promptly attended to.

Attachments, Shuttles, Needles and Machine Oil for sale.

Call on or address

M. QUAVE, Madronville, La.

HOMESTEAD APPLICATION.

In accordance with Act No. 64 of the legislature of the State of Louisiana of 1888, I hereby give notice of my intention to homestead the following State land, viz:

The south half of the northwest quarter of section 25, township 5, south range 13 east, St. Helena Meridian.

Wherefore petitioners pray that a special election be ordered for the purpose of submitting to the property tax payers of said town a proposition to impose a special tax of five mills per annum on all taxable property in said town, for a period of ten years.

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Official.

At a meeting of the Police Jury of St. Tammany Parish, La., held July 13, 1898, the following Ordinances were adopted:

ORDINANCE.

Section 1. Be it ordained, by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, That in order to raise funds for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and repairing the public roads of this parish, there shall be appropriated one mill per annum of the taxes of this parish, and a per capita tax of one dollar per annum is hereby imposed on each able-bodied male inhabitant of this parish between the ages of eighteen and fifty-five years, and that there is hereby levied an annual license of 50 cents per annum upon each vehicle and bicycle kept and used for locomotion over the public roads of this parish.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, etc.: That the said property and license tax levied in the foregoing section shall be collected by seizure and sale of the property subject to it in the same manner and under the same laws as the parish tax is collected.

That the said property and license tax shall be collected by the parish tax collector within the first six months of each year, and the parties paying the same shall be relieved from all compulsory road duty for the entire year; and in case any citizen shall fail to pay said tax within the first six months of each year, it shall be the duty of the road overseer of the road on which the party liable to summon said delinquent to work ten days on said road, and if said party shall fail to comply with said summons, or to do such work as may be allotted to him, he shall be fined ten dollars, and in default of the payment thereof, he shall be sentenced to work on the public roads of the parish for fifteen days, said prosecution to be based upon affidavit of the road overseer or road commissioner before the Judge of the District Court.

Sec. 3. That this ordinance shall take effect from and after July 15, 1898.

Adopted July 13, 1898.

LOUIS VOSS.

Who made homestead entry No. 11,902 for the southeast quarter of section 24, township 5, south range 11 east, St. Helena meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

A. Populus, Sylvan Populus, Andrew Pierre and Alfred Pierre, all of Verger, La.

Wm. Tooper, Levee, La.

John M. Edgar, all of Covington, La.

G. McD. Buxner, Register.

Land Office, New Orleans, La. July 28, 1898.

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 H. R. Warren, Clerk of the District Court, at Covington, La., on Monday, August 15, 1898, viz:

BARBARA ANTHONY, (Widow of James Anthony.)

Who made homestead entry No. 12,531 for the southeast quarter of section 24, and the northwest quarter of section 25, township 4, south range 11 east, St. Helena meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

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