

AN INDUSTRY THAT WOULD BE PROFITABLE.

There is no proposition that should interest the people of St. Tammany parish more than the making of its soil a producer of comfortable homes, a support to educational advancement and an uplift to a position of independent prosperity for its people.

It is therefore hoped that the present effort of a few of Covington's enterprising citizens to establish a syrup manufactory will meet the support of the farmers, and that all who are so situated that they can grow cane will join in the movement.

One advantage offered by a central mill is that a saving of 80 per cent in juice extraction can be made. With a plant that would care for two hundred acres of cane the saving should pay the cost of hauling and planting.

The men who are at the head of this venture are responsible businessmen. E. J. Domergue is president; Mayor E. V. Richard, vice president; Geo. E. Sears, secretary.

SOME SCHOOLS MAY HAVE HIGH INTEREST TO PAY.

Under the law, the bank making the highest bid for the deposit of school funds is entitled to be chosen as the depository. Another provision of the law is that money borrowed from it by the School Board must carry the same interest that the bank pays on the deposited school funds.

The following is from the Picayune's Baton Rouge letter of February 8:

"The Finance Committee of the Parish School Board has awarded the contract for the handling of the finances of the schools of East Baton Rouge to the Bank of Baton Rouge, which bid 7 per cent for the funds.

It may be seen by this that a law meant to provide the schools with a rate of interest on borrowed money not in excess of what it receives on money deposited, instead of being a benefit will in fact compel a high rate of interest to be paid by those parishes with little money to deposit and who must pledge their resources in advance, while those parishes that are well supplied with funds will not receive a higher rate than is profitable to the banks, under ordinary conditions.

JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISE.

The trade edition of the Florida Parishes, of Amite City, La., which reached us last week, ably represents the value an enterprising journal can be to its community. Such an edition cannot fail to attract public attention to Tangipahoa parish and its thrifty towns, and the results must necessarily be profitable.

COMMENTS AND NOTES BY MATRONITA.

"One of the most remarkable features of the strike of the shirt waist makers of New York and Philadelphia is the extent to which women of many walks of life have interested themselves in it and the manner in

which they have worked together. The strike in itself is the first of any importance conducted by a woman's labor union, and the belief of their employers and the public in general, at the beginning, was that the members would not pull together, and that their movements would soon fail.

"The way in which other women have rallied to their help is, however, the most remarkable development of the incident."

This struggle of the shirtwaist makers shows what can be done by earnest, concerted efforts of women, no matter how weak or inexperienced they may be, and it is an object lesson to other women, who feel just as weak and helpless. So let us think about it, and try, everyone of us, to do a little towards bettering conditions wherever we find the need.

HOW TO WIN.

"Come a cropper, then, all right! Gave you quite a jolt. Guess you wasn't holdin' tight— Take another bolt. You'll ketch on, my son, an' stay, No use feelin' sore. Layin' down don't never pay; Tackle it wunst more.

The man who wrote this is a humorist in the broadest and best sense. More than this, he is an optimist, and what he has learned of life has not soured the milk of human kindness, which in the above expression, runs to good sound advice to those knocked out in battle with the world.

The School Improvement League continues to do good work. The ladies composing the League are never idle in the interest of the public school and of the welfare of the children. Recently the League has added a twenty volume set of the latest edition of the International Encyclopedia to its already long list of donations.

The Ladies' Home Journal tells of a young Kansas woman who returned home from a pleasure trip with an ulcer developing on her lip. She went to a doctor who pronounced it of unmentionable origin. The girl became inconsolable and her distressed family spared no pains nor expense to find the origin of the infection.

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Wouldn't it be nice to have a stock law?

Covington Society Notes.

BY OUR SOCIETY EDITOR.

Miss Evelyn R. Olesen and Mr. E. G. Hughes, of New York City, who are sojourning at Abita, were making the rounds of Covington in charge of Capt. G. E. Miller Friday and visited the St. Tammany Farmer office. Mr. Olesen and Mr. Hughes are thinking of investing in Abita property, and may become residents.

Miss Euphemia Richard returned home Wednesday afternoon after spending the Carnival season in New Orleans with her cousins, the Misses Richard.

Mr. Ernest Wailes returned Wednesday from New Orleans.

Miss Marie Valley visited relatives and friends in New Orleans.

Mrs. Albert Smith spent Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

Mr. Robert Gerrans was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gerrans, in New Orleans.

Mr. C. L. Galbraith, of Mandeville, was a welcome visitor to the Farmer office Thursday, and we enjoyed a pleasant chat with him on affairs of interest.

Miss E. Delcroix returned from New Orleans Wednesday night.

Miss Helen Clark returned Wednesday from New Orleans.

Dr. and Mrs. L. Abbott, of New Orleans, spent Saturday and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Riggs.

Misses Bertha and Marie Dullion returned this week from New Orleans.

Mr. Ernest Domergue paid his regular visit to Slidell Wednesday.

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Mr. Dave Addison visited New Orleans this week.

The many friends of Mrs. E. E. Lyons hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

Miss Edna Lacroix after spending the Carnival season in New Orleans returned home Wednesday night.

Sheriff T. E. Brewster and family returned Wednesday night after spending the Carnival season in New Orleans.

Miss Eda Estopinal after enjoying the New Orleans Carnival returned home Wednesday night.

MRS. F. A. W. DAVIS.

At 10:30 Wednesday night the Angel of Death entered the home of Mrs. F. A. W. Davis, and almost before her startled household was aware of the grim visitor, he soared away, bearing with him the pure, white, beautiful soul of her who was so loved among us.

Mrs. Davis was a native of Indianapolis, Ind., where she and her late lamented and greatly esteemed husband spent many useful years surrounded by loving relatives and friends.

About nine years ago Mr. Davis brought his then invalid wife to Covington, hoping our balmy climate would give back the health and strength she had lost in her colder home. Although Mrs. Davis never entirely recovered, she grew much better, and came every winter to her Southern home, which she grew to love, mainly out of pure gratitude for the good that she gained from the pure air and beautiful sunshine.

Mrs. Davis possessed a most remarkable mind and character. The former was acute and bright, broad and enlightened, and lent to her dealings with men and women that intelligent, wide understanding that is so rare even in people possessed of youth and perfect health.

We extend to Mrs. Davis' bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow—for it is our sorrow too—and especially to the devoted little granddaughter, Margaret Landon, whom she so dearly loved.

Mrs. Davis' remains will be taken to Indianapolis, Ind., on Saturday by Mr. Hugh Landon, who is hastening Southward on this sad mission.

Abita News and Society Notes.

Mrs. C. T. Coignard and little daughter, Isabelle, are spending Carnival week in New Orleans. Mrs. Henderson, of New Orleans, is spending some time in Abita, a guest at Mutt's Hotel.

Miss P. Guidroz was a visitor to relatives in Raceland, La., Sunday.

Mrs. E. Breaux is spending a few days in New Orleans.

Mrs. Stoll is spending some time in Abita.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartell, of Covington, were on a visit to relatives here Sunday.

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