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Some of the Industries in Which  
Capital Is Invested in St. Tammany;  
Lumber, Rice and Manufactories

(By Adrian D. Schwartz)  
During the past several years there has been a healthy increase in the investments of local capital in the development of the natural resources of the parish.  
Passing over the large and extensive operations and holdings of the Great Southern Lumber Company, the Salmen Brick and Lumber Company, the Houlton-Johnson Lumber Company, one watches with interest the development of the stockraising and dairy products such as has been established by Messrs. H. F. Goussier & Son, Mr. H. B. Pruden, and others.  
The Louisiana Bell Clay Company also represents the formation of an industry that is likely to become one of the most fertile fields for the investment of fresh capital in St. Tammany parish.  
The Strawberry Growers' Association is still another opportunity that is fair to open up a new avenue of investment within a short time.  
In an interview with the General Pass-

enger Agent of the New Orleans Great Northern Railroad, regarding the lands and opportunities throughout the parish of St. Tammany, which are made easily accessible by the route over which the New Orleans Great Northern traverses:  
"No other section of the country today offers the vast opportunities found in that traversed by this line. As the great forests of timber are cleared by the woodman's ax, thousands of acres of fertile lands adapted to the raising of all kinds of agricultural products and also particularly suitable for ranches, are being placed on the markets at prices within the reach of all. The prices of these cut-over lands; their great fertility; the absence of danger of overflow or drought; the temperate climate of this section; the early spring, makes it possible to reach the markets of the North, East and West while their products command the highest price; the number of conveniently located schools under the supervision of excellent teachers; numerous churches of all denominations;

improved highways; the general air of prosperity; and excellent railroad facilities combined with the special inducements offered by the owners of these lands makes this the ideal location for the investor and homeseeker. If you want to secure a farm or a ranch, way not look into this matter and locate in what has been declared by various authorities to be one of the healthiest sections in the United States. The large ranches and many shipments of different products of the soil made today, indicate that ranching and farming are not experiments, but well established industries along this line."  
During the past two years what was once a "virgin wilderness, on the shores of Lake Pontchartrain, has now grown to be a new saw mill plant of splendid proportions. The new Poitevent & Favre Lumber Company plant represents the last word in saw mill construction and equipment. About two miles from Mandeville the plant and yards cover one hundred and fifty acres. The mill has a daily capacity of one hundred and twenty-five thousand feet, in the ten hour run, and the planing mill's capacity is fifty thousand feet. The Poitevent & Favre Lumber Company have an extensive domestic and export trade, and a great amount of their product is shipped to the South American countries, through New Orleans and Gulfport. The

company has a fully equipped fleet of lighters and tugs, and in addition it manages its own ship yards, which are adjacent to the mill, and where additional vessels are now being built. The company owns immense tracts of woods of pine timber, both in St. Tammany and Washington parishes. They are also engaged on a large scale in naval stores operations, and have located at Florenville, in this parish, one of the most modern turpentine stills. Adjoining the plant is a delightful bungalow village, set in the heart of the Lewisburg woods, which has for its citizenship the numerous employees connected with the company's business. The company has its own school house for the benefit of the children of resident employees. The genial Mr. Eds Poitevent is secretary of the company, and is always found at the office in the plant city. The company also maintains offices at New Orleans in the Liverpool-London-Globe building. Mr. Frank B. Hayne is president, Jno. Poitevent, vice-president, and June Poitevent, treasurer.  
Another industry of no small magnitude which is contributing to prosperity in Slidell, of St. Tammany parish, is the Southern Crosscutting Company, a plant operated for the purpose of crosscutting lumber, piling, bridge timbers, paving blocks, cross ties, etc. It has been producing an annual output of about twenty mil-

lion feet of its crosscut products. A wonderful plant has been erected in Slidell containing some of the most unique machinery which has yet been devised by modern science for the preservation of woods used in heavy construction work. The products of the Southern Crosscutting Company are shipped throughout the United States, the West Indies and Central America. The company has ordinarily one hundred and fifty on its pay roll. Mr. H. C. Headley, of Lexington, Kentucky, is the president, J. D. Grant, vice-president, and A. D. Crocker, secretary and treasurer.

**Mackie Pine Products Company.**  
The establishment in 1913 of the Mackie Pine Products Company marked a distinct step for the industry progress for the town of Covington. Mr. H. A. Mackie, the president of the company, after years of experiments in the extracting and manufacture of turpentine products from the pine knots and stumps, has succeeded in making this plant one of the few successful factories of its kind in the country. The discovery of which turpentine, pine oil, rosin etc., can be made from the refuse left in the cut-over pine forests, was a discovery of an entire new source of wealth. The sale of the articles manufactured by the company is now made in the principal markets of the world. Shipments are being made to England, Canada, Germany and Japan, and at the present time inquiries from Russia are being received, through the port of Archangel. The domestic market includes New York, Cleveland, San Francisco, Chicago, and Seattle. The plant employs about forty men, including labor and wood-choppers.  
**Rice Farms.**  
Prominent among the resources of the parish of St. Tammany is the rice industry, which must not be overlooked. Located in the fertile low lands on the shores of Lake Pontchartrain, Mr. E. J. Frederick, of Covington, has a four thousand acre tract, with one hundred and fifty acres in rice fields under cultivation. Here is produced the "blue rice," "Honduras," and "Japan," under the most scientific methods of modern rice farming. This plantation has wonderful facilities with respect to water transportation, is equipped with a modern pumping plant capable of lifting ninety-six million gallons of water in twenty-four hours, has an average yield of fifteen bushels to the acre. In a few years it will be possible, according to improvements that are planned, to increase the acreage under cultivation to one hundred and fifty acres, with a yearly yield of twenty thousand barrels of rice. The Frederick plantation is protected by strong levees, and during the recent hurricane disasters which affected the lake country, this plantation remained practically untouched.  
Adjoining the Frederick plantation are the handsome and modern rice fields of Messrs. Koepf and Peters. These gentlemen, in conjunction with Mr. Frederick, have built and maintained at their own expense a drainage canal thirty feet wide, with an average depth of five feet. It is not too much to hope for, that with a view of the progress which has been made in the past, this section of St. Tammany parish promises to become one of the most prolific centers for rice growing in the State of Louisiana. Its nearness to the New Orleans port and the direct water transportation enhance the value of these plantations.

**LOUISIANA HOGS-WIN INTER-STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.**  
New Orleans, Nov. 4.—Louisiana-bred hogs won a notable victory at the Jackson, Miss., State Fair when Evan J. McCall's Duroc Jersey not only beat entries from Louisiana, Mississippi and Kentucky and other states, but, by defeating the McKee entries from Kentucky won a Southern Championship and gained ascendancy over the Kentucky fonder of the McCall Louisiana herd. The McCall hogs, headed by the great blue ribbon boar, Louisiana Defender, were bought less than two years ago from the McKee's at Versailles, Ky., who, up to the Jackson Fair had defeated all comers. Meeting for the first time the men from whom he bought, McCall took the blue ribbon away from the recognized leaders and transferred the headquarters of the Championship Duroc herd from Kentucky to Louisiana for the first time in the history of the South. In other words, with the very stock sold to him by McKee, and the get

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