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Attempt to Swim Across the English Channel.

A New Orleans lady is the champion swimmer at Mississippi city, but her best exploit—1600 feet without stopping—is not up to the distance made according to the subjoined special to the St. Louis *Republican:*

NEW YORK, September 8.—A letter from Dover to the London *Times* gives the following account of the attempt of J. B. Johnson to swim across the British channel. Many thought it a hoax, and old salts considered it madness to attempt it, because it was impossible to get across, owing to the swiftness of the currents that run in mid-channel and the distance they reckoned he would have to swim before he could hope to accomplish his object. Johnson, adorned with some twenty or thirty decorations, walked to the pier of the steamer Palmerston, with the members of the press steamer a few feet away. At 10:40 Mr. Johnson appeared on deck, attired in bathing costume, and having ascended the paddle-box, he, amid the ringing cheers of the crowd, dived into the water in splendid style. At the stern of the steamer a small boat containing Mr. Johnson's brother and Mr. Collared, was towed along, so that in case of necessity help was immediately at hand. Striking out to sea, the swimmer soon made headway, taking some most powerful strokes, which appeared to send him at least a distance of six feet each time. Johnson kept on swimming in splendid form, and accomplished two miles in twenty minutes. He kept his pace, and at 11:20 took his first refreshment, and at 11:30 he again partook of a stimulant. The tide had now taken him nearly off Folkestone, and he then put on such a spurt that he overhauled the steamer, which was some distance ahead of him. On reaching her he remarked he should like something to eat, and though he was neither exhausted nor tired, the surgeon saw that the circulation was failing, and advised him to come out. This was at 11:15 A. M., and taking his advice he got into the steamer, having swum over seven miles in an hour and five minutes. He did not appear in the least tired, but his legs were numbed. When he got all right he had the pluck and desire to continue the feat; but the water being very rough, it was considered a physical impossibility to continue. He then went below, and the Palmerston steamed direct for Calais, arriving at 3 P. M. Just before moving into the harbor Johnson appeared on deck again, and, with his brother, jumped into the water and performed various aquatic feats.

Outrage in Webster Parish.

The Shreveport *Herald* publishes a statement signed by Percy Baker, G. B. Abercrombie, L. W. Brasher and C. A. Boon, to the effect that in accordance with previous announcement several Republicans met at Cherry Hill Church, Webster parish, for the purpose of perfecting the organization of a Grant and Wilson club. The statement follows:

They were met by some twenty-five or thirty persons, many of whom had been known to belong to the Ku-Klux Klan in 1868. Soon after their arrival one Tom Boon, a desperate character, came up to where the party was standing, and remarked that he wanted to see the damned Radical who was going to make a speech there that day. Mr. Abercrombie replied that he intended to make such a speech, when Boon rejoined that no damned Radical should make a speech; that this was a white man's government, and that none but white men should rule.

Among the Ku-Klux crowd were some strangers, said to be from Texas. When we walked up to where the party was standing we shook hands with all known to us, among them two or three not white. This drew from one of these strangers the remark that he had not intended that more than five or six should engage in this affair, but he was satisfied that no one but a d—d Radical dog would shake hands with a negro, and that now he intended or expected that every man would do his duty.

We walked off from the crowd to the house in which the meeting was to be held, immediately upon which these men went to where their horses were, got their pistols and followed us down to the house, where we were formally notified by an old man named James Ford that we should not then, or at any other time, hold a Radical meeting. Seeing that the meeting could not be held without bloodshed, and being greatly overmatched in numbers, we withdrew, and give these facts to the public, asking the authorities whether these things shall be allowed to continue.

It is well to have it understood that the right of peaceable assemblages in political meetings must be maintained at all hazards. A government that does not sustain this right is weak and inefficient.

Forrester, the Suspected Murderer.

This is a special to the Chicago *Tribune:*

NEW YORK, September 9.—Forrester, the alleged murderer of Nathan, arrived here to-night. Although the public belief in his implication in that tragedy has never been strong, yet among detectives and reporters many are found to assert that he is the assassin. So far as the case against him has been made public, it embraces the following assertions: The ship carpenter's iron dog with which Mr. Nathan was so brutally murdered, or one very similar to it, was traced to Forrester's possession. In May, 1870, the residence of Mr. Schenck, on Fifth avenue, was entered and robbed by burglars. Among the articles carried off was a dog which had been used in opening cases of wine, etc. The sons of Mr. Schenck, on being shown the dog found in the house of Mr. Nathan, it is alleged, fully identified it as the one which had been stolen from their house.

This was an important point gained, and it was subsequently ascertained almost to a certainty that Forrester and Ellis were both engaged in the burglary at Mr. Schenck's house. This would naturally connect Forrester with the fatal instrument. It is alleged that the police authorities have positive information that a few nights before the murder Forrester, under an assumed name, occupied a room at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and that he desired and was given a room on the Twenty-third street side of the hotel, overlooking the Nathan mansion. It is ascertained that Forrester was seen in the vestibule of the hotel on the night before the murder. The evidence in the hands of the police is doubtless stronger than these points, on which alone he could not be convicted. It is further claimed by the police authorities that Forrester was not alone in this job, but that he had one or perhaps two accomplices. They believe, however, that he put up the job and committed the murder.

Alabama and Chattanooga Railroad.

This is from the Mobile *Tribune:*

The *Alabama State Journal* is our authority for stating that Mr. Justice Joseph P. Bradley, of the United States Supreme Court, having had for two months past under consideration the bill filed by Judge James Q. Smith in behalf of the holders of the first mortgage bonds of the Alabama and Chattanooga Railroad Company, asking for the appointment of receivers to take possession of the railway track and other property of said company, and for injunctions against all persons in possession, restraining them from interfering in its future management, has passed the bill, and appointed Judge W. J. Haralson, of DeKalb county, Alabama, and Lewis Rice, of Boston, receivers. Injunctions have also been ordered against Governor Robert Burus Lindsay, John H. Gindrat, John F. Bailey, M. B. Jones, Charles Walsh and the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company, restraining them and all persons claiming under them or either of them from interfering with the receivers in taking possession of or managing the road. The orders in this case are full, and the receivers are authorized to borrow $1,500,000 to put the track in order and to purchase all necessary cars and machinery.

LAWS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

No. 86.

AN ACT

To fix the terms of the district court in the Fourteenth Judicial District, designating certain weeks of said terms for the trial of civil cases, and certain weeks for the trial of criminal cases, and providing for the drawing and summoning of juries for said terms.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the terms of the district court in the Fourteenth Judicial District are hereby fixed, and shall commence as follows, to wit: For the parish of Ouachita, on the second Mondays of March and September; for the parish of Richland, on the third Mondays of April and October; for the parish of Morehouse, on the third Mondays of May and November.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the first two weeks of each term shall be devoted exclusively to the transaction of the business on the civil docket of the court, to the business of the grand jury, and to the filing of criminal informations and the orders thereon; no other proceedings on the criminal docket of the court shall be had during the first two weeks.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That the remaining weeks of each term shall be devoted to the transaction and disposal of the criminal business of the court, and to the trial of civil jury cases. During said remaining weeks no proceeding shall be had in any civil case, unless an order for the trial of such case by a jury shall have been made previous to the third week; provided, that in all cases judgments may be signed, and motions for new trials and motions for appeals may be made and disposed of during said remaining weeks; and, provided further, that, by special permission of the court first obtained, together with consent of parties, proceedings may be had in any other case during said remaining weeks.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That, in the manner provided by law, two juries shall be drawn for each of said terms of court, to be designated as the "first jury" and the "second jury." The first jury shall be summoned to attend on the first day of the term. From the first jury the grand jury shall be selected and drawn in the manner provided by law. The remaining jurors of the first jury shall then be discharged till the third Monday of the term, when they shall again attend, and shall serve for the third week. The second jury shall be summoned to attend on the fourth Monday of the term, and shall serve for the fourth week, and as much longer as they may be needed. Any of the first jury who may be impanneled on the trial of a case shall be retained until the termination of said case. All objections or exceptions to the formation, construction, drawing, or summoning of said juries shall be filed on the first day of the term, and not afterward; and if the juries should be set aside a new first jury shall be immediately drawn and summoned for the second Monday, and a new second jury for the fourth Monday of the term, and the court shall proceed. Juries drawn for the first term of court under this act shall be legal, without regard to the time when drawn, if in other respects legal.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws or parts of laws conflicting with this act are hereby repealed so far as they conflict, and that this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved June 14, 1872.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
F. J. HERRON,
Secretary of State.

No. 94.

AN ACT

To provide for the construction of a shell road in the parish of Jefferson by the police jury of the left bank of said parish, and for the payment thereof; for the keeping of the same in repair, and to authorize said police jury to levy a special tax for said purpose.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That it shall be the duty of the police jury of the left bank, parish of Jefferson, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to pass and adopt, within ten days from the passage of this act, the necessary ordinances and resolutions for the construction within one year from the adjudication of the contract, of a shell road extending along the Metairie ridge in said parish of Jefferson, from the New Orleans canal west as far as the Labarre road, and at the option of said police jury along the Labarre road to the river Mississippi; said road shall be in all respects a first-class shell road, and shall be built in accordance with the specifications to be furnished by the surveyor of the parish; and it shall be the duty of the police jury to cause the surveyor of said parish, or of some other, in case there be no such officer, to furnish the necessary plans, lines, grades, levels, curves, etc., and to take the general superintendence, in accordance with the specifications furnished, and the cost of this shall be assumed by the contractors.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the cost of the construction of said shell road shall be borne in equal proportions, one-half each by the front proprietors bordering on said road, pro rata, and the said police jury of the left bank, parish of Jefferson, and the proportion of the front proprietors shall remain a lien and privilege superior to all other liens and privileges upon the property fronting on said road in favor of the contractors thereof, until fully paid, by recording the bills for the same, duly certified by the surveyor of said parish, in the office of the recorder of said parish.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That it shall be the duty of said police jury of the left bank, parish of Jefferson, within ten days from the passage of this act, to advertise for ten days in the official papers of the parishes of Jefferson and Orleans for proposals, to be sealed and directed to said police jury, and to be opened by them in open and public meeting of said police jury on a day to be named in said advertisement, when said police jury shall proceed to adjudicate the contract to build said road to the lowest bidder, and shall proceed, in such form as said police jury shall determine, to make a formal contract in accordance with the plans and specifications, and said lowest proposal, with said lowest bidder, and may require of such lowest bidder such security as said police jury may think proper for the faithful performance of the contract within such time as the said police jury and said contractors may agree, it being understood that this shall not exceed one year.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That from and after the completion of said shell road hereinbefore provided for, it shall be the duty of said police jury, during the month of December of each and every year, to appropriate a sufficient sum of money out of its treasury to keep said road in repair during the current year, which sum shall not be appropriated to any other purpose.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That upon the completion of said shell road, and said completion having been duly certified to, according to the provisions of this act, it shall be the duty of said police jury of the left bank, parish of Jefferson, to at once pay to the builders of said road, or otherwise settle with them, as both parties to the contract may agree, the proportion of the police jury being one-half the total cost thereof; and should there not be sufficient funds in the treasury, the police jury are hereby authorized to levy a special tax sufficient to pay the sum required upon all the taxable property in the left bank, parish of Jefferson, to be equally assessed according to the last assessment made before the levying of such special tax; and upon the collection of such special tax, which shall be immediately proceeded with, said police jury shall pay its proportion of the cost of the shell road herein provided for.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws or parts of laws contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
A true copy:
J. W. FAIRFAX,
Assistant Secretary of State.

Received in the office of Secretary of State August 6, 1872.

The foregoing act having been presented to the Governor of the State of Louisiana for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of the General Assembly in which it originated within the time prescribed by the constitution of the State of Louisiana, has become a law without his approval.

No. 42.

AN ACT

Making Shrove Tuesday, or Mardi-Gras, a legal holiday.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the day known as Shrove Tuesday, or Mardi-Gras, be and is hereby declared a legal holiday throughout the State of Louisiana.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved April 23, 1872.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy.
F. J. HERRON,
Secretary of State.

No. 84.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Springfield and Blood River Railroad Company, Livingston parish, State of Louisiana.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That Peter H. Kemp, Thomas Benton Kemp and Simpson Kemp, and their associates and successors, are hereby created a body corporate under the style and title of the Springfield and Blood River Railroad Company, and under such name they shall have a common seal, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and possess all and severally the rights, powers, privileges and incidents belonging to similar corporations by the laws of Louisiana; and this charter shall remain in force for the period of twenty-five years from and after the passage of this act.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said company are hereby authorized and empowered to lay out, locate, contruct, equip and thereafter own, maintain and enjoy a railroad from Springfield to Blood river in Livingston parish, Louisiana, by such route as the company may deem most direct and practicable.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That for the purposes herein set forth said company shall have the right of way to the distance of fifty feet on each side of the outer line of said railroad belonging to the State of Louisiana, and it shall acquire right of way through private land by gift or by expropriation as provided by law.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved May 4, 1872.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
F. J. HERRON,
Secretary of State.

No. 92.

AN ACT

To amend and re-enact section two of an act entitled "An act to form a new parish to be called the parish of Red River," approved March 2, 1872.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That section second of said act, in lines nine, ten and eleven in said section as printed in the official volume of the acts of 1871, which read, after the words "Red river," in line nine, as follws: "Thence up Red river to outlet of James river, up James river to Delat's bayou, up Delat's bayou to Bayou Pierre," be and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows: "Thence up Red river to the outlet of Bayou Lumbra, thence up Bayou Lumbra to Delat's bayou, up Delat's bayou to Bayou Pierre."

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved July 1, 1872.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
F. J. HERRON,
Secretary of State.

No. 91.

AN ACT

For the relief of W. H. Vaughn.

WHEREAS, W. H. Vaughn, State tax collector of the parish of Morehouse, has overpaid the amount of taxes charged to him for the year 1866, to the amount of four hundred dollars, as shown per certificates of the Auditor herewith annexed; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the sum of four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, in payment thereof, and that this act go into effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved July 1, 1872.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
F. J. HERRON,
Secretary of State.

No. 95.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Shreveport Bridge Company, and to authorize the company to issue its bonds and to build a road from Red river to and across Red Chute to the hills, in Bossier parish, and to collect tolls thereon, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That Frank M. Smith, A. H. Leonard, E. P. O'Key, Charles W. Keating, S. Peters, George W. Dillard, M. H. Crowell, M. A. Walsh, D. D. Smith, S. M. Thomas, and their successors and assigns, and such other persons as they may hereafter associate with themselves, be and are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, to act in their corporate capacity as one person, and are hereby authorized, in their corporate capacity, to do and perform all acts an individual can do, to purchase, lease, sell or exchange real or personal property, rights or credits, as an individual can do, and to sue and be sued, and to do all things an incorporation can do; that service of citation or other legal process shall be made on the president of the company, or, in the absence of the president, on the secretary thereof; that the domicile of this company is fixed in the city of Shreveport, in the parish of Caddo, in the State of Louisiana. This company shall have a seal, and may change or alter the same at pleasure.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the name and style of this corporation shall be "The Shreveport Bridge Company," and the capital stock of this company shall be five hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, making five thousand shares. It shall be competent for the stockholders of this company to fix the amount of the capital stock from time to time, as in their judgment they may deem best, not to exceed one million dollars.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That this company shall have the exclusive right to build, equip and maintain a bridge across the Red river, to terminate on the east bank of Red river, opposite the city of Shreveport, for the purpose of passing vehicles of all kinds, animals, produce of all kinds, merchandise and foot passengers, and for all purposes a bridge may be used for; and no other bridge shall be built across said river within a distance of five miles in either direction for the period of thirty years, reserving the right to any railroad company to build bridges within said limits solely for railroad purposes, but in no way to be used for any of the purposes above stipulated, except as belonging to the actual business and operating of the railroad; and that same company shall have the right to charge such tolls thereon as may be fixed by the board of directors of said company, and shall have the right to police such bridge, so that no one or thing shall be allowed to pass over the same except in accordance to the regulations made by the directors.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That the affairs of the company shall be conducted by a board of directors, the first board of directors to consist of the incorporators named in the first section of this act; in the event of the death of any such incorporators the balance shall compose the board of directors until the end of the term; and in the event of any of such incorporators transferring their entire interest in this company during their term of service they shall cease to act as directors during the residues of the term, and their place shall be filled by the selection of some other stockholders by the other directors. This board of directors shall hold office for two years from the first Monday of July, 1872. Thereafter the board of directors of this company shall consist of five stockholders who hold at least twenty shares of stock, to be elected by the stockholders on the first Monday of July, 1874, and every two years thereafter; that no stockholder shall vote at any such election unless the stock on which he claims to vote has been owned by him at least three months before the election, as shown by the stock book of the company; that each stockholder shall have one vote for each share of stock he may own; that any stockholder may vote by proxy for directors, and that a majority of votes cast shall elect; that it shall be the duty of the directors to advertise the election for directors in at least one newspaper in the parish of the domicile of said company, for thirty days before the election, and to appoint three stockholders commissioners to hold the election; a failure to hold the election, as herein fixed, shall not operate a dissolution of this corporation, but the old board of directors shall hold over until the next regular election. A majority of the board directors shall constitute a quorum for all business. Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors (except in the first board) shall be filled by the remaining directors for that term; any director, after his election, disposing of his stock so as to hold less than twenty shares, shall from that time cease to be a director, and his place shall be filled as above.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That the first board of directors of said company shall organize on or before the first Monday of July, 1872, and all subsequent boards, within ten days after their election, by electing one of their members president, and electing a secretary. When it becomes necessary the board of directors may elect a treasurer and engineer, or any other officers they may designate. All such officers shall be removable by the board of directors, except the president. The board of directors shall have the right to fix the salary of the president, and the salary or compensation of the other officers, and to require a bond, with good security, subject to the approval of the board, from the treasurer, and fix the amount thereof, and to pass all by-laws deemed necessary, not inconsistent with this act or contrary to law.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That stock certificates shall be provided, and when issued, shall be signed by the president of the board of directors and countersigned by the secretary and sealed with the seal of the company; and a transfer book shall be kept, and no transfer of stock shall be legal or binding on the company until the transfer is made on the books of the company, and such transfer shall be legal evidence of the ownership of the stock, so far as the company is concerned, in any court in this State; that a copy, certified to by the secretary of this company, under the seal of this company, of any resolution of the stockholders or directors, shall be evidence of stock or of any written proceeding kept by this company, and shall be taken as evidence in any court in this State.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That the board of directors of this company shall have the right to issue the bonds of this company for any amount not to exceed the whole amount of the capital stock, as fixed by this charter, and shall fix the aggregate amount of the bonds to be issued, the amount and denomination of each bond, the time of maturity thereof, the rate of interest they are to bear, whether coupon bonds or not, and every other requisite to constitute them legal and certain; and in order to secure the payment of such bonds, with the interest thereon, said directors shall have the right to mortgage all the property, both real and personal, including the bridge, which mortgage shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of mortgages for Caddo parish, and shall not be required to be reinscribed to keep it in force and effect; and said board of directors shall have the right to receive any donation or gratuity that may be given to said company, or any other aid thereto on any such terms as may be agreed on between them and other parties.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, etc., That to the same company are hereby granted the exclusive right and privilege to build, construct, establish and maintain a plank, shell or railroad from the terminus of said bridge on the eastern bank of Red river to and across the Red Chute in Bossier parish, and to the hills or high lands by such route as shall be deemed most advantageous by the directors of said company, and that the same company shall be allowed and are hereby empowered to charge and collect, for passing over said road, tolls at such rates as the directors shall prescribe; and the same right and privileges granted by this section shall be for the same term of years as has already been granted in this act, to wit: the term of thirty years.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, etc., That the property of the said bridge and road company shall be exempt from State and municipal taxation for the full period of its charter, and in consideration therefor the said company agrees to pay into the treasury of the Charity Hospital at Shreveport the sum of one hundred dollars, to be paid within fifteen days from January 1 in each year, for each and every year during its term of incorporation.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, etc., That this company shall have the right by its agents, surveyors, engineers and employes, to enter upon all lands and tenements through which it may conclude to make such road, and survey as hereinbefore provided, and lay out and construct the same. That when such road, way or route shall run through any lands belonging to the State of Louisiana, the said company shall have the right of way, and the land whereon the said company's road shall be constructed and for the distance of eighty rods on each side of said road, if such lands are the property of the State of Louisiana, shall be and are hereby granted to said company for their use and benefit to aid in the construction and maintenance of said road.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, etc., That any parish, city, town or incorporated village in this State, be and is hereby authorized to aid said company in the construction of its bridge and road, or either of them, by contributions, or by subscribing for its stock, or by purchasing its bonds, or by issuing the bonds or warrants of said parish, city or town in favor of said company; and that for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of this act, the police juries of the several parishes shall represent the same parishes respectively, and the mayor and council, or board of selectmen, or board of aldermen shall represent the said cities, towns or incorporated villages. And it shall be lawful at any time or times for any parish, city or town to aid in the construction of the aforesaid bridge or road, or either of them, by a voluntary contribution or gratuitous donation of real or personal property, money or other effects belonging to such parish, city or town; and any parish, city or incorporated town in the State is hereby authorized to issue five or ten years bonds, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding ten per cent per annum, with coupons attached, in favor of said bridge and road company, and such issue of bonds by any such parish, city or incorporated town, when signed by the proper officers of such parish, city or town, as hereinbefore specified, shall be good and lawful, and shall not require any other special act of the Legislature to permit the same to be made.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, etc., That the board of directors of said company shall have the right to sell or dispose of any of the capital stock of said company not already issued at the time to any person, company, corporation, or other party, on such terms as they may deem best, and to receive in payment therefor money, bonds of any incorporation, materials, or other thing, and at such prices or rates as they may deem to the interests of this company.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) O. H. BREWSTER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved August 15, 1872.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
Y. A. WOODWARD,
Assistant Secretary of State.

SUCCESSION NOTICES.

Succession of Abraham H. D'Meza—No. 35,407.

SECOND DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH of Orleans.—Notice is hereby given to the creditors of this estate, and to all other persons herein interested, to show cause within ten days from the present notification, if any they have or can, why the account presented by the testamentary executor in this estate should not be homologated and approved, and the funds distributed in accordance therewith.

By order of the Court.
se13 17 21* M. O. TRACY, Clerk

Succession of Andre Dubuch—No. 35,781.

SECOND DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF Orleans.—Whereas, Mrs. Louise L. Sarrat, widow of Andre Dubuch, has petitioned the court for letters of administration on the estate of the late Andre Dubuch, deceased, intestate: Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern to show cause within ten days why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

By order of the Court.
se13 17 29* M. O. TRACY, Clerk.

Succession of Claiborne Laine—No. 35,765

SECOND DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH of Orleans.—Whereas, Alfred Laine has petitioned the court for letters of administration on the estate of the late Claiborne Laine, deceased, intestate. Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern to show cause within ten days why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

By order of the Court.
se13 17 21* M. O. TRACY, Clerk.

Succession of Mrs. Sarah Smith—No. 35,315.

SECOND DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH of Orleans.—Notice is hereby given to the creditors of this estate and to all other persons herein interested to show cause, within ten days from the present notification, if any they have or can, why the account presented by Thomas Forbes, curator of this estate should not be homologated and approved, and the funds distributed in accordance therewith.

By order of the Court.
se13 17 21* M. O. TRACY, Clerk.

Succession of J. N. Harding.

ALL PARTIES HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE succession of J. N. Harding are notified to present the same to J. M. Harding, No. 41 Natchez street, for settlement.

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INSURANCE.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL INSURANCE
COMPANY OF NEW ORLEANS,
164.....Canal Street.....164

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT.

In conformity with the requirements of their harter, the company publish the following statement:

Premiums received during the year ending May 31, 1872, including unearned premiums of the previous year—

On fire risks	$719,323 57
On marine risks	102,615 17
On river risks	169,212 00
Total premiums	$991,150 74
Less unearned premiums	201,800 00
Net earned premiums May 31, 1872	$789,350 74
Losses paid—	
On fire risks	$206,078 41
On marine risks	99,680 32
On river risks	125,965 63
	$430,724 36
Taxes	21,537 41
Reinsurances, return premiums, and profit and loss	56,416 88
Total	$508,678 65
Deduct interest, less expenses	17,856 53—490,822 12
Profits	$298,528 62

The company have the following assets:

Real estate	$121,665 11
City bonds	289,050 00
Bank and railroad stocks	52,168 00
Notes secured by mortgage	449,745 63
Notes secured by pledge	122,559 97
Bills receivable	45,611 30
Premiums in course of collection	72,418 95
State bonds	1,500 00
Scrip and stock of other companies	1,982 50
Stock of Vallette Dry Dock Company	19,900 00
Stock of Levee Steam Cotton Press	2,300 00
Stock of Marine Dry Dock and Ship Yard Company	4,000 00
Harbor Protection Company	1,980 00
Mortgage bonds Turners' Association	2,000 00
Mortgage bonds Odd Fellows' Hall	5,000 00
Cash on hand	261,659 83
New Orleans, Florida and Havana Steamship Company	3,000 00
St. Louis Hotel Association	5,000 00
Total assets	$1,461,241 29

The above statement is a just, true and correct transcript from the books of the company.

PAUL FOURCHY, President.
G. W. NOTT, Secretary.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this tenth day of June, 1872.

P. CHS. CUVELLIER, Notary Public.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the tenth day of June, 1872, it was resolved to pay A CASH DIVIDEND OF THIRTY PER CENT on the net earned participating premiums for the year ending May 31, 1872, payable on the third Monday of July next. Also, to pay on demand ten per cent interest to the scrip holders upon conversion of their scrip into capital stock, as per amended charter of the company.

Directors:

P. MASFERO, DAVID McCOARD,
S. Z. RELF, L. P. GENERES,
A. G. OBER, P. FOURCHY,
M. PUIG, J. J. FERNANDEZ,
P. S. WILTZ, J. M. ALLEN,
D. A. CHAFFRAIX, CHARLES LAFITTE.
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CRESCENT MUTUAL
INSURANCE COMPANY.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL STATEMENT.

NEW ORLEANS, May 18, 1872.

The Trustees, in conformity to the charter, submit the following statement of the affairs of the company on the thirtieth of April, 1872:

Fire premiums for the year	$194,069 44
Marine premiums for the year	61,356 64
River premiums for the year	183,499 36
Total	$438,718 44
Earned premiums, less reinsurance and return premiums	$359,153 68
Net profits	$79,823 81

The company has assets to the amount of $732,129 49.

The Board of Trustees resolved to pay interest at SIX PER CENT CASH on all the outstanding CERTIFICATES OF SCRIP, to the legal holders thereof on and after the second Monday in June next.

They have also declared a SCRIP DIVIDEND OF THIRTY-THREE AND ONE-THIRD PER CENT on the earned premiums entitled to participate for the year ending April 30, 1872, for which certificates will be issued on and after the first Monday in August next, free of government tax.

THOMAS A. ADAMS, President.
HENRY V. OGDEN, Secretary.

Trustees.

SAMUEL H. KENNEDY, JOHN PHELPS
C. T. BUDDECKE, P. H. FOLEY,
A. G. OBER, A. THOMSON,
E. H. SUMMERS, B. NEWGASS,
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CONSTABLES' SALES.

Philip Haag vs. Mr. and Mrs. V. Valentine— Sixth Justice Court for the Parish of Orleans, No. 8183.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS from the honorable Sixth Justice of the Peace in and for the parish of Orleans, I will proceed to sell at public auction, on FRIDAY, September 13, 1872, at the warehouse No. 231 St. Andrew street, at twelve o'clock M.—

ONE PIANO,
Seized in the above suit.
Terms—Cash in United States treasury notes.
se3 7 13 JAMES MOORE, Constable.

Louis Jenkins vs. Mrs. Rodgers-Curtis— Sixth Justice Court for the Parish of Orleans, No. 8297.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS from the honorable Sixth Justice of the Peace in and for the parish of Orleans, I will proceed to sell at public auction, on FRIDAY, September 13, 1872, on Common street, near Gayoso street, at twelve o'clock M.—

ONE LOT HOGS, PIGS, CHICKENS AND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
Seized in the above suit.
Terms—Cash in United States treasury notes.
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AUCTION SALES.

By Alfred Bouligny.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX SHARES LEVEE STEAM COTTON PRESS COMPANY,

TWENTY FOUR SHARES GASLIGHT COMPANY ETC.

SUCCESSION OF WIDOW J. B. LEPRETRE.

Second District Court for the Parish of Orleans—No. 35,662.

BY ALFRED BOULIGNY, AUCTIONEER.—Will be sold at auction, on THURSDAY, September 12 1872, at twelve o'clock M., at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse streets, by virtue and in pursuance of an order of the honorable L. Duvigneaud, Judge of the Second District Court for the parish of Orleans, dated the twenty-ninth of August, 1872, No. 35,662 of the docket of said court, the following described stocks belonging to the above mentioned succession:—

1. One hundred and twenty six Shares of the Levee Steam Cotton Press Company.
2. Twenty four Shares of the Gaslight Company.
3. Ten Shares of the St. Louis Hotel Association, on which $50 have been paid.
4. Six Shares of the Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company.
5. One hundred and thirty Shares of the Opelousas and Great Western Railroad Company.
6. Thirty Shares Bank of Louisiana.
7. Twenty Shares of the New Orleans Improvement and Banking Association.
8. Ten Shares Washington Railroad Company.
9. Ten shares Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.
10. One Scrip Merchants Mutual Insurance Company of New Orleans of $20, for the year 1870.

Four hundred and forty dollars in not