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Ten dollars in advance will invariably be required for the announcement of candidates for office.

N-ORLEANS CARDS.

REMOVAL.

OF

HYDE & GOODRICH

From 15 Chartres street to corner of Canal and Royal.

The subscribers having leased the spacious New Store, corner of Canal & Royal streets, will remove from the position they have so long occupied at No. 15, Chartres street, on or about the 15th of August.

We are fitting up the premises with entire new fixtures throughout, and will open with a large and well assorted stock of

Rich Jewelry, Fine Watches, Silver and Plated Wares.

Our stock is selected with great care, and we are always supplied with the latest foreign novelties, by experienced agents in ENGLAND, FRANCE AND GERMANY.

Among the articles worthy of particular mention, are our

Diamond Goods of which we have an unusually large and brilliant assortment in every variety of mounting.

Our Watches, with Gold, Silver and enameled cases, from the most celebrated makers of London, Geneva and Philadelphia.

Independent of the extensive first floor, we have a large and beautifully furnished Show Room, on the second, devoted to the sale of

Fine Fancy Goods, such as

BAHIER MACHE TABLES, CHAIRS, DESKS, WORK BOXES, DRESSING CASES, &c.

Bronze and Gilt Clocks and Candelabras, Marble, Porcelain and Wood Clocks from 8 to 80 Dollars.

PROFESSIONAL NOTICES, &C.

SURVEYING.

JOHN McDONALD, will promptly attend to any Surveying confided to him. Office at Charles N. Ealer's Main Street Opelousas, May 8th 1853.—1y.

HILAIRE DESESSARTS,



Public Crier and Collector FOR ST. LANDRY. OFFICE—In Opelousas. Opelousas, 26th Feb. 1853.—1y.

T. H. GARDINER,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW. BEING permanently located in Grand Coteau (St. Landry,) will exercise his profession in the Courts of 14th and 15th Judicial Districts. Grand Coteau, December 25th 1852.—1y.

Theodore S. Robin,

Attorney at Law. WILL punctually attend to all business entrusted to his care, in the 14th and 15th Judicial Districts. OFFICE AT JOHN E. KING'S, OPELOUSAS, LA. Opelousas, January 29th, 1853.—6m.

B. A. MARTEL,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW. RESPECTFULLY offers his professional services to his friends and to the public of the 14th and 15th Judicial Districts. His office is in Opelousas. Opelousas, 25th Dec. 1852.—1y.

FOR SALE.

THE undersigned offers for sale, at private sale, a NEGRO-WOMAN, aged about 44 years, washer, ironer and cook. For the price and conditions, apply to the undersigned at the store of Goldman & Kaufman. S. GARRIGUES. Opelousas, 28th May 1853.

J. V. GOURDAIN.

CHARLES KERR. **GOURDAIN & KERR,** COMMISSION MERCHANTS. No. 25, Conti street, NEW ORLEANS. 14th June 1853.—1y.

DARAN, LABICHE & CO.,

Foreign & Domestic LIQUORS, CORDIALS & STRUPS. FRENCH WINES, BRANDIES, &c. And Commission Merchants. No. 45 OLD LEVEE STREET, BETWEEN CONTI and NICHOLLS, NEW ORLEANS. 12th Feb. 1853.

MUIR, SMITH & DECOUX,

GROCERS, Commission and Forwarding Merchants. No. 25 Common Street, NEW ORLEANS. 4th June 1853.—1y.

JOEL H. SANDOZ,

Notary Public. OFFICE—At the Court House.

JULIEN GONOR,

Constable and Collector. WILL devote the strictest attention to all business which he may receive in this capacity, and will arrange such claims either by amicable means or by law, as he may be requested. Opelousas, 21st May 1853.

To Undertakers.

IN pursuance of an order issued by the Parish of St. Landry & Lafayette, the undersigned Commissioners will, on the 15th instant, at 10 o'clock A. M. offer at public sale, to the last and lowest bidder, a contract for the reconstruction of the bridge on the bayou Caranco, commonly known as Guilbeau's bridge. The said bridge to be built entirely of the best cypress, and it will be fully three hundred and thirty feet in length. The purchaser will be required to give bond and security in the full amount of the purchase for the faithful performance of his contract. The plan and all further particulars, will be made known the day of sale which will take place at the present site of the old bridge.

CARRIAGE SHOP.

JOSEPH GIBBS & SAMUEL P. CLARK, HAVING formed a partnership for the carriage work, shall be pleased to receive their orders, and respectfully offer their services to the inhabitants of this and the neighboring Parishes. The best of carriagesmith and other workmen will always be employed. They hope by their attention to business to continue to receive a share of the public patronage. Opelousas May 21st 1853.

EDUCATION & LEGAL NOTICES.

OPELOUSAS ACADEMY,

Rev. Thos. RAND Jr., A. M. Principal. M. RAND would inform his patrons and the public that he will re-open his School on Tuesday the 4th of January, to continue it without intermission, till the 1st of July.

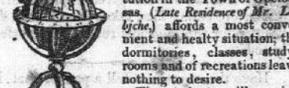
He is prepared, with a supply of teachers, to give instruction in the English, French, Spanish, German, Latin and Greek languages; also in Vocal and Instrumental Music.

Any person wishing for further information concerning the School, is invited to call at the School-Rooms where he may see, and examine for himself the plan of instruction, and the proficiency of the pupils.

Circulars containing a full statement of the course of studies, and of prices, may be had at the office of the Opelousas Courier, at the Academy, and at the store of Messrs. T. C. Anderson & Co., Washington. Opelousas, 25th December 1852.

BOARDING AND DAY-SCHOOL,

FOR YOUNG LADIES. Superintended by Mrs. Renaud, (born Traber.) in Opelousas.



The proximity of this Institution in the Town of Opelousas, (Late Residence of Mr. Labiche) affords a most convenient and healthy situation; the dormitories, classes, study-rooms, and of recreations leave nothing to desire.

The students will receive the principles of a good and solid education, based on a religious instruction.

The course of instruction will embrace lessons adapted to the advancement of the students, Writing, the study of the French Language, and more particularly the English, Geography, the Sphere, Arithmetic, Sacred History, ancient and modern, and all descriptions of needle work.

All the French classes are under the direction of Mrs. Renaud, Superintendent of the Institution. The English language, to which a particular care will be granted, will be taught by a special mistress. Moreover, an under-mistress, speaking the french and english languages, is expressly charged of the continual superintendence, required in a Young Ladies' Institution. In their recreations, their dormitories and at study, and in all their occupations, they shall never be alone.

Every thing concerning the personal service of the students is confided to a white servant. Each student must be furnished with one mattress and bolster, one red counterpane, one musquito-bar, one cover, one table knife and one tumbler. Uniform.—A straw bonnet trimmed in white. For Winter.—A gray merino dress trimmed with black velvet.

For Summer.—A rose and white dress. The bed-cloth and dresses are left to the choice of the parents.

The terms per quarter are as follows, to wit:— Institution—1st class, \$ 12 00 Institution—2d class, 10 00 Music, 18 00 Boarding, 25 00 Opelousas, March 12th, 1853.—1y.

BOARDING & DAY-SCHOOL,

FOR YOUNG LADIES. SUPERINTENDED BY MISS BERCIER.

THIS Institution is situated in one of the most retired and agreeable part of the town of Opelousas, offers all the advantages desirable for a house of Education.

The course of instruction will embrace the french, english, reading, writing, History, Geography, Mythology, Arithmetic and all kind of needle work. The study of the English language is the object of a particular care, it will be taught by an American Lady, residing in this Institution.

Religion, the basis of all good education, is followed and taught with care. Miss Bercier will spare no pains to obtain the well-being of young ladies under her direction, and to deserve the confidence of their parents.

The terms per quarter are as follows:— Instruction, \$ 10 00 Boarding, 25 00 Music, 18 00

Each student must be furnished with a bedstead mattress, a bolster, a musquito bar, four sheets six towels, a fork, knife and spoon. Opelousas 12th March 1853.—9m.

FUNERALS!

The undersigned will furnish Coffins on short notice & at reasonable prices. The use of his Horse will be given without charge to patrons.

Residence, old Louillier's store, near the Catholic Church. **SILAS HARRIS.** Opelousas, December 18th 1852.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned having received his commission as a Public Auctioneer, for this Parish, offers his services to the public and to his friends.

He takes the opportunity to offer to all administrators of successions who shall employ him as Auctioneer, to make for them, without extra charge all the necessary tableaux to render their accounts.

ROBERT BENGUEREL. Opelousas, February 7th 1853.—1y.

BUSINESS CARDS, &C.

Take Notice.

Call to see Myer & Alexanders. WASHINGTON. Wholesale & Retail Establishment for BARGAINS

M. & A. are now receiving, by every Boat from the Northern markets, a heavy supply of every description of Merchandise, embracing Dry Goods, fine Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps and Ladies fine Dresses.

ALSO—A large supply of jewelry of the latest fashion, embracing Diamonds, fine Gold and Silver Watches, from the best makers in England. Ladies and Gent's fine Gold Chains, Gold Spectacles, &c.

We kindly invite the Ladies and Gentlemen to give us a call. We offer at Wholesale or Retail, at a very small advance. Washington, (La.) October 16th 1852.

G. Frierson.

Robt. Conway. **FRIERSON, FOWLER & Co.** Cotton and Sugar Factors. 59 Carondelet Street. 59. NEW ORLEANS. July 3rd 1852.—1y.

E. Gerard.

F. J. Da Silva. **E. Gerard & Co.** Commission Merchants, No. 46, CARONDELET STREET. NEW-ORLEANS. 11th Dec. 1852.

Henry L. Garland.

Louis Lastrapes. **Garland & Lastrapes,** ATTORNEYS AT LAW. WILL exercise their profession in the different Courts of the 15th Judicial District. Their office is in Opelousas. February 23d, 1853.—1y.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber has the honor to inform his friends and the public that he has just arrived from New Orleans, with a complete assortment of

Dry Goods and Groceries of all kinds car-penter's tools, jewelry, watches, clocks, saddlery, hardware, crockery-ware, wines, brandies, &c., which he offers for sale at moderate prices. He takes this opportunity to return his thanks to his friends and the public for the encouragement he has received from them till this day, and hopes to deserve a continuation of their favors.

G. MEDICIS. Opelousas, 9th April 1853.—3m.

Drugs and Medicines.

A. J. THOMPSON & Co., having greatly enlarged and fitted up their Drug Store would call the attention of their friends and the public generally to their increased facilities for getting up Physicians and Plantation orders and prescriptions.—They have now on hand and will sell low, a large and well selected assortment of Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Paints, Oils, Window Glass, Glassware, Dye Stuffs &c., &c.—Country merchants would find it to their advantage to give them a call before purchasing elsewhere.

Store—Corner of Main & Bellevue streets. Opelousas, May 14th 1853.—3m.

Notice to the Public.

THE undersigned, merchants in Washington, wishing to close their business, in that town, and dissolve the partnership, announce to the public in general that they will sell off their large stock of Goods at cost, but only for cash.

Persons indebted to them are requested to come and settle in the shortest delay. **GOLDMAN & KAUFMAN.** Washington, 11th Dec. 1852.—1y.

St. Landry Coffee-House for Sale.

THE undersigned offers for sale, his well known establishment, situated on the corner of Main and Landry streets, in the Town of Opelousas, together with the usual appurtenances therein, consisting of one fine Billiard Table, Balls, Queues, Pool-Board, Wines, Liquors, &c.

J. J. BEAUCHAMP. Opelousas, 30th April, 1853.—3m.

UNION HOTEL,

OPELOUSAS. THE subscriber having purchased the Hotel formerly owned by F. Martel, and more recently by Jas. O. McClelland, in Opelousas, respectfully informs the public that he is now prepared to receive boarders and travellers who may patronize this establishment.

He has also opened a Family Grocery Store, where can be found constantly all sorts of choice provisions, wines, liquors, &c. cheap for cash. **CHRISTOPHER STEEL.** Opelousas, 10th March, 1853.—9m.

Painting! Painting!

T. P. LARKIN having just arrived from New Orleans, takes this method of informing his friends and acquaintances that he has permanently located himself in the Town of Opelousas, where he is ready to contract for all kinds of House and Sign Painting. He hopes to obtain a share of public patronage.

Orders to be left at the Opelousas Courier. Opelousas, 28th May 1853.—3m.

WINER'S

CANADIAN VERMIFUGE. A CERTAIN REMEDY FOR WORMS.

It is a fact, established beyond the shadow of doubt, by the experience and testimony of the most eminent physicians, more than three-fourths of the diseases with which children are afflicted, are caused by worms, and thousands of children die annually from those diseases, when the cause is either not known or attributed to something else. Various are the preparations which have been recommended as remedies for worms, but experience has proved them all more or less ineffectual; the end however has at length been attained, and a remedy found which has never failed to destroy worms, wherever they have existed.

This assertion is supported by the testimony of the most eminent physicians and respectable individuals in the country. The remedy is

WINER'S CANADIAN VERMIFUGE, WARRANTED PURELY VEGETABLE.

It is safe in its operation, and more easily administered than any other. Some of the symptoms which indicate the existence of the worms in the bowels, are as follows: the countenance is pale, of a leaden color, and suffused with occasional flushes; the eyes are heavy and dull, the breast foetid, the upper lip swollen, itching in the nostrils, which causes the patient to pick his nose; the sleep is disturbed, the patient often awaking in great fright, and is liable to starting and grinding the teeth; the appetite exceedingly irregular, being sometimes voracious, others feeble, and in some instances it is depraved.

To the following certificates numerous others might be added, but it is believed that these are sufficient to establish the fact that Winer's Canadian Vermifuge is a superior remedy for worms.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE.

We, the undersigned, having frequently administered a medicine prepared by Mr. John Winer of this town, designated "J. Winer's Canadian Vermifuge," and being fully satisfied with its efficacy, confidently recommend it as a safe and efficient remedy for the expulsion of worms from the intestinal canal.

G. O'REILLY, Licentiate of the R. C. of Surgeons in Ireland, &c. G. W. DICKINSON, Member of the R. C. of Surgeons in London, &c.

From the Rev. J. Flanagan, of Danbrook, C. W. J. Winer—Sir: I have made the trial of your Canadian Vermifuge and with the most happy results. In my own family, and in every case which has come to my knowledge, the expulsion of worms has followed the administration of your Vermifuge, and every one here prefer it to any other, as its effects are certain, and children take it more readily, than any other worm medicine.

John Flanagan. 17 Physicians generally now use Winer's Canadian Vermifuge. This medicine is a simple vegetable preparation, and can always be administered with perfect safety and confidence as to the result, as it will always destroy worms and restore the patient to health.

Over one thousand certificates have been sent to the Agents from planters, merchants and physicians, bearing testimony to the efficacy of this infallible remedy.—Warranted in all cases.

Prepared only by JOHN WINER, Manufacturing Chemist and Wholesale Druggist, Hamilton, Canada West.

Sold wholesale and retail, at manufacturer's prices by J. WRIGHT & Co., New Orleans, 151 Chartres st., under Orleans House.

For sale in Opelousas, by A. J. Thompson & Co. also by John Poney.—Sold in Washington, by S. D. Allen. Opelousas, 18th June 1853.—1y.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the commercial name of "BROWN & ARNAUD," is this day dissolved of mutual consent.

Mr. Jos. Brown remains the only one charged with the liquidation of the partnership.

JOS. BROWN. DESIREE ARNAUD. June 21st, 1853.

THE undersigned taking in his own name the continuation of said commercial-house, tenders his thanks to his friends and the public in general for the patronage they have received, and he solicits a continuation of the same.

JOS. BROWN. Grand Coteau, 21st June 1853.—5t.

Public Sale.

By the undersigned, Auctioneer in and for the Parish of St. Landry.

WILL be sold, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, on the plantation of Mr. Elisha McDaniel, at Prairie Ronde, in this Parish,

ON TUESDAY, 2nd AUGUST next, 1853, the property hereinafter described, belonging to the Estate of Lewis McDaniel, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, viz:

A certain mulatto-man named Henry, aged about 25 years, a lot of horned cattle, three gentle creole horses, 2 mares and a colt, 1 gold watch, 1 bed, 1 double barreled shot gun, 1 saddle and bridle, a lot of corn.

Terms and conditions made known on the day of sale. **SIMEON FONTENOT,** Auctioneer. Opelousas 2nd July 1853.

NOTICE.

LEONARD MANSO (alias TOUTOUVE), by act passed before Robert Taylor, notary, on the 6th of February 1850.—I forward, by these presents, any person or persons from employing or harboring the above named apprentice under the penalty of the law. **JOSEPH GIBBS.** Opelousas, 25th June 1853.—5t.

FOR ATTAKAPAS & OPELOUSAS

UNITED STATES MAIL LINE. Through to Franklin in 18 Hours.

THE NEW UNITED STATES MAIL, ROUTE from Donaldsonville, terminating at Washington, Parish of St. Landry, La. is now complete, by stage coaches, to Lake Verret, 22 miles from Donaldsonville, and steamboat from Lake Verret to Berwick's Bay, Pattersonville, Centreville, Franklin, Charenton, Jeaneretteville, New Iberia, (nine miles below St. Martinville) distance 90 miles; and by stage coaches, from New Iberia to Washington—distance, 54 miles.

Passengers from New Orleans leave in the river mail boats at 3 o'clock P. M., on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS; and will arrive at Donaldsonville on TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, in time for the stages, at six o'clock P. M.

For comfort, speed and safety, passengers will find this route superior to all others, as no freight is taken, and the delays and impediments of the old routes are entirely avoided.

W. H. BROWN & R. B. RATIER, Proprietors. may 14th, 1853.

BELL-CHENEY SPRINGS!

THE undersigned respectfully inform the public that they have purchased this watering place and are improving the place for the accommodation of visitors.—The Springs are situated in the Pine Woods, Parish of St. Landry, 37 miles north-west of Opelousas, about the same distance south of Alexandria, and 10 miles north from Bayou Chicot.—The water possesses highly medicinal qualities and has proved efficacious in many aggravated diseases which were beyond the reach of ordinary remedies.—The bath is supplied by the Spring water and much appreciated by invalids.—Deer, fox and wild cat are numerous, affording fine sport to the hunter, and the Lake, seven miles in length, with a depth of twenty feet, situated three miles and a half from the Springs, abounds in trout and other fine fish.—A pack of hounds for hunting and boats for fishing will be furnished to the visitors.—The best wines and liquors which the New-Orleans market can afford will be kept constantly on hand.—Coaches can always be procured at Opelousas and Washington to transport any number of passengers to the Springs—Good music will be furnished and balls given twice per week, gratis.—Hunting horses and vehicles to transport ladies to the lake will be kept for hire.—Gentlemen fond of hunting should bring their guns.—Fishing tackle may be purchased at the Springs.—Visitors received from 1st May to 1st November.

TERMS OF BOARD. By the month, \$ 25 00 Per Day, " 1 00 Children & Servants, half price. Horses, per day, " 75

SMITH & BEAUCHAMP. March 5th, 1853.

Beaver Creek Springs

THE undersigned has the honor to inform her friends and the public, that she is the manager of this establishment, and that she will be prepared to accommodate visitors at these springs on the first of June next. They are distant from Opelousas about 30 miles, from Bayou d'Arbonne 10 miles and from Bayou Chicot 8 miles. Coaches can always be procured at Opelousas and Washington to transport any number of passengers to the springs.

The situation is one of the healthiest in the State and the waters possess five different medical qualities, game and fish are abundant and can easily be procured.—Gentlemen fond of hunting should bring their guns. Fishing tackle may be purchased at the Springs. The undersigned has made arrangements to have excellent music during the season, and will use every exertion to satisfy.

The new road by the mill and the new bridges along the route are in perfect order.

A splendid Bar-Room, furnished with the best liquors New Orleans market can afford, will be kept under the direction of Mr. John Cochran, of Opelousas.

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Boarders has to pay by day or by month. **RACHEL GRADENIGO, Manager.** Opelousas, April 9th, 1853.

SUMMER RETREAT.

Bathing, Fishing, &c.

AN extensive Boarding establishment has been fitted up in Last Island, and is now open for the reception of visitors. It is under the personal superintendence of Mrs. E. PECOT, whose reputation in this capacity is well known. The advantages of this delightful location is unsurpassed.

FISHING AND BATHING ETC. render it the most agreeable summer retreat on the whole southern coast.

No pains will be spared to render visitors comfortable. The charges will be moderate; and the Tables furnished with everything the neighboring markets afford.

Attached to the establishment is a well stocked BAR, BILLIARD and BOWLING SALOONS, and a Livestock Stable where horses and carriages can be procured, to enable visitors to ride or drive on the extensive beach that bounds the island towards the Gulf.

N. B. Mrs. PECOT'S Boarding House in Franklin, will be conducted as heretofore, under the superintendence of her sister, Mrs. CURTIS, where she will be at all times prepared to receive those who may patronize her. July 2d, 1853.—3m.

SELLING AT REDUCED PRICES!

THE undersigned desirous of closing his Summer business, informs his friends and the public that his prices have been greatly reduced; his stock consists of Ready Made Clothing, Irish Linens, Jacquets, Gingham, Muslins, Embroideries, Ribbons, Hats and of all Goods generally found in a country store. For the satisfaction of all, I solicit a call. I will positively sell lower, but for Cash or its equivalent. Once more, I say, come and judge for yourselves and it will be to your advantage. **CHS. A. GENIN.** Opelousas, July 2d, 1853.