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No election tickets or other jobs printed without the money on the person ordering them to be printed is a responsible person.

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 enamelled cases, from the most celebrated makers of London, Geneva and Copenhagen.

Independent of the extensive **St. Louis**, we have a large and beautifully furnished **Show Room**, in the second, devoted to the sale of

**Fine Fancy Goods,** such as

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

**Bronze and Gilt**

**Clocks and Candelabras—Marble, Porcelain and Wood Clocks from \$8 to \$50 Dollars.**

**Fine Dresden & French Porcelain**

**WARE.**

We have also a choice selection of fine

**OIL PAINTINGS,**

on **Canvas, Copper and Porcelain**, copies by the best German artists, from the most celebrated productions of **European masters.**

**A GUN DEPARTMENT**

embracing every variety of **DOUBLE AND SINGLE BARRELED SHOT GUN AND RIFLES.** Pistols of all makers, including the celebrated **Devinger's Colt's, Allen's and Whitney's Revolvers, Bowie Knives.**

**PERCUSSION CAPS** and a complete assortment of **Sporting Apparatus.**

Connected with our establishment, we have in the city an **extensive Manufactory**, from which we are supplied, at all times, with the newest and most desirable styles of **silver ware.** We are enabled also to turn out work to order at short notice, and at prices from **five to eight per cent cheaper**, than when bought at the North.

**WATCHES and JEWELRY** carefully repaired by the most experienced workmen.

**DIAMONDS** and other precious stones reset in **Gold, Silver or enamelled mountings**, after the latest **Parisian and New York** models.

**N. B.—The highest cash price paid for old Silver or old pieces exchanged for new.**

Our house has been established 40 years in this city.

**HYDE & GOODRICH,**  
15 Chartres st., New Orleans.  
14th May 1853.—14t.

**DARAN, LABICHE & CO.,**  
Foreign & Domestic  
LIQUORS, CORDIALS & SYRUPS,  
FRENCH WINES, BRANDIES, &c.  
And Commission Merchants.  
No. 45 OLD LUYEVE STREET,  
BETWEEN CONTI & BIENVILLE.  
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.

## PROFESSIONAL NOTICES, &c.

### T. E. 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

### 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.

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 28d, 1853.—1y.

### F. O. KAUFFMAN,

Notary Public for St. Landry.

Office at Washington, La.

### Theodore Chachere,

Public Auctioneer for St. Landry.

Opelousas, July 23d 1853. 1y.

### SURVEYING.

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

### HILAIRE DESESSARTS,

Public Crier and Collector

FOR ST. LANDRY.

Office—In Opelousas.

Opelousas, 26th Feb. 1853.—1y.

### 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.

### CARRIAGE SHOP.

JOSEPH GIBBS & SAMUEL P. CLARK,

HAVING formed a partnership for the carriage work in all its branches, 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.

### LUKE HOLLIER,

Painter, Glazier, &c.

HAS the honor to inform his friends and the public in general, that he is now, as heretofore, ready to undertake all work belonging to a house and sign painter, glazier, paper-hanger &c. in all their branches, and at most moderate prices.

Call on the country particularly attended to, and all jobs executed with dispatch.

Opelousas 4th June 1853. 3m.

### S. LAUNY,

Bricklayer & Plasterer.

RESPECTFULLY informs the people of St. Landry and surrounding parishes, that he has come once more in Opelousas, where he is ready to receive all orders for Bricklaying and Plastering, also to make plaster busts of dead persons, and for the complete construction of family tombs, marble imitation, warranted to last 20 years.

His shop is on North street, between Main and Court streets, late Mr. Labjeh's office.

Opelousas, 25th June 1853.—3m.

### 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.

### 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 charges all the necessary tableaux to render their accounts.

ROBERT BENGUEREL.

Opelousas, February 7th 1853.—1y.

## EDUCATION & LEGAL NOTICES.

### OPELOUSAS ACADEMY,

Rev. THOS. RAND Jr., A. M. Principal.

MR. 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, 26th December 1852.

### BOARDING AND DAY-SCHOOL,

FOR YOUNG LADIES.

Superintendent by Mrs. Renaud, (born Traber) in Opelousas.

The proximity of this Institution in the Town of Opelousas, (Late Residence of Mr. Labjeh) affords a most convenient and healthy situation for 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 religious instruction.

All the French classes are under the direction of Mrs. Renaud, Superintendent of that 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 supervision, required in a Young Ladies' Institution. In their recreations, their dormitories and 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 muslin-tow, one cover, one table knife and one tumbler.

Uniform.—A straw bonnet trimmed in white.

For Winter.—A grey 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 29th, 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 works. 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 care, and 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, 15 00

Music, 18 00

Each student must be furnished with a bedstead a mattress, a bolster, a magnette 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 Hearse will be given without charge to patrons.

Residence, old Louallier's store, near the Catholic Church.

SILAS HARRIS.

Opelousas, December 18th 1852.

### New Orleans & Opelousas Packet

The new steamer

OPELOUSAS,

O. HENRIER, Master.

WILL leave Washington every Sunday at 10 o'clock A. M. for New Orleans, returning leaves New Orleans on Thursdays at 12 M. arriving on Fridays at P. M. This boat is safe, comfortable and fast, built expressly for the trade, and is furnished with a good, staunch but the Trader, to serve as a tender in low water. The Trader was purchased for this service, is of light draft, and will be in readiness to convey freight and passengers to the landing, thereby enabling the Opelousas to make regular time. Every exertion will be made by the officers to give satisfaction. For further information apply on board.

Particular attention paid to freight and other business for Atchafalaya and other intermediate landings.

Washington (La.) July 2d, 1853.

### Lumber! Lumber!!

10,000 Feet of lumber delivered at Mr. L. Nezat's, near Opelousas, for sale by the undersigned. Apply to Mr. Nezat, or to CHS. CLOSE.

Courtableau, St. Landry, July 9, 1853.

## 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.

E. Gerard. F. J. Da Silva.

### E. Gerard & Co.

Commission Merchants,

No. 46, CARONDELLE STREET.

NEW-ORLEANS

11th Dec. 1852.

### J. V. Gourdain.

Charles Kerr.

### GOURDAIN & KERR,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

No. 25, Conti street,

NEW ORLEANS.

14th June 1853.—1y.

### 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 putting 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.

### UNION HOTEL,

OPELOUSAS.

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

He has also opened a Family Grocery Store, where can be found constantly all sorts of choice provisions, wines, liquors, &c. for cash.

CHRISTOPHER STEEL.

Opelousas, 19th March, 1853.—9m.

### 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, and that he is now prepared to sell his goods at a great point gained in giving medicine to children.

July 16, 1853. JOHN FLANAGAN.

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 its result, as it will always destroy worms and restore the patient to health.

Over one thousand certificates have been sent to the Agents on 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, 451 Chartres st., under Orleans House.

For sale in Opelousas by A. J. Thompson & Co., also by John Posey.—Sold in Washington, by S. D. Allen.

Opelousas, 15th June 1853.—1y.

### FOR ATAKAPAS & OPELOUSAS

UNITED STATES MAIL LINE.

Through to Franklin in 18 Hours.

THE NEW UNITED STATES MAIL ROUTE from 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, Jeanmettes and New Iberia, (nine miles below St. Martinsville) 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 5 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.

VINSON & RATIER, Proprietors.

may 14th, 1853.

### SUMMER RETREAT.

Bathing, Fishing, etc.

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 superintendance 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, as a Livery 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 superintendance of her sister, Mrs. C. KRIS, where she will be at all times prepared to receive those who may patronize her.

Opelousas, 25th May 1853.

### JOHN E. KING,

Attorney at Law.

HAS removed to the office recently occupied by Judge Lucius J. Dupré. He will in future attend to any professional business entrusted to his management, in the parishes of Avoyelles, Lalayette, St. Martin and St. Mary.

Opelousas, July 30th, 1853.—1m.

## PATENT MEDICINES, &c.

### 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 these 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 inefficient, 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