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Opelousas :
SATURDAY, JUNE 10th, 1854.

☞We will inform the Editors of the New-Orleans *Crescent*, that the name of the new Receiver of Public Moneys, at Opelousas, in place of Henry L. Garland Esqr., is Mr. **Eugene Wartelle** and not Eugene Martel. Mr. Wartelle is a highly respectable and intelligent gentleman of this parish. As to the dirty remarks made by the author of these inquiries in said paper, we despise them as we do the author, Mr. C G.

A LARGE BEET.—Mr. J. B. Déjean fils, of Barré's Landing, in this parish, has sent to our Office a red beet weighing 7¼ pounds. It is the largest one seen this year in our parish. Who can beat that ?

FIRE AT WASHINGTON.—At 4 o'clock in the morning of Tuesday last, the Drug Store of Messrs. Mayo & Posey was maliciously set on fire by some one yet unknown. Hardly six months have elapsed since Messrs. M. & P. had established that Drug Store in Washington, and in a few hours the store and contents were destroyed by the flames.

We have been informed that the Drug Store was insured in New Orleans, for the sum of $1500, and the house for $500. It is a loss to the proprietor, Mr. Edmond Richard.

This is the third or fourth time that they have attempted to set fire to that house, for the last six or eight months, and let us add, *en passant*, that it is the second house that was burned down, on that spot. It is generally supposed, with reason, that the incendiary is without doubt one of Mr. Richard's ennemy.

We hope that the author of that criminal act will be discovered and that he will receive his just due.

☞See advertisement of Messrs. GENIN & POIRET, our young and enterprising merchants, in another column of our paper, who always keep on hand at their store, on Main street, the finest assortment of Dry Goods, Ready made Clothings, &c. They now offer to their friends and customers a fine chance to buy goods as cheap and cheaper than in New Orleans. Ladies and gentlemen of St. Landry will do well, for their own benefit to give them a call.

DR. HOOFLAND'S German Bitters, prepared by Dr. C. M. Jackson, are justly reckoned amongst our most valuable medicines. In cases of dyspepsia, it acts like magic, strengthening the tone of the stomach, stimulating the digestive powers, and giving ruddy health to the cheek and brightness to the eye. There are thousands in this community who can testify to their virtues, and thousands will hereafter add their testimony.

☞We are again publishing advertisements of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. This medicine is taking a very strong hold upon the good opinion of the people. It is regarded generally as a most excellent remedy for Pulmonary Complaints, Coughs and Colds.

Having found it an excellent medicine, we cheerfully endorse it.—*Miscellany, Detroit.*

THE TRIUMPH COMPLETE!—PASSAGE OF THE NEBRASKA BILL THROUGH THE SENATE!

The roar of cannon on Friday morning at one o'clock, says the Washington Union, of the 27th ult., announced the close of a long and arduous session of the United States Senate, and the complete triumph of the Nebraska Bill as it came from the House.—As the deep tones of the iron-tongued thunderer woke the echoes of the adjacent hills, they spoke also of the departure from the councils of the nation of those elements of discord and of irritation—the anti-slavery agitation and abolition excitement—opening for the future a clear and tranquil sky, and promising sunshine and peace for many, many years to come.

The vote upon the final passage of the Nebraska bill, minus the Clayton amendment, was even more decisive than when it was first carried. The following is the list of yeas and nays:

YEAS.—Messrs. Atchison, Badger, Benjamin, Brodhead, Brown, Butler, Cass, Clay, Dawson, Douglas, Fitzpatrick, Gwin, Hunter, Johnson, Jones, of Iowa, Jones of Tennessee, Mallory, Mason, Morton, Norris, Pearce, Pettit, Pratt, Rusk, Sebastien, Shields, Slidell, Stuart, Thompson of Kentucky, Thompson of New Jersey, Toombs, Toucey, Weller, Williams, and Wright—35.

NAYS.—Messrs. Allen, Bell, Chase, Clayton, Fish, Foot, Gillette, Hamlin, James, Seward, Sumner, Wade, and Walker—13.

A CURIOSITY.—The Camden Journal says: "We were shown yesterday, by our young friend, John McKain, quite a curiosity, in the shape of a live terrapin with two heads. They are perfect heads, and though attached to the body very near together, appear to have no connection whatever. It moves each head about at pleasure, and will eat with either of both. So far as can be seen there is no deformity about the body. It will be left for a few days at Workman's Drug Store, where those can see it who desire."

☞The much disputed question, whether it is a criminal offence to steal an umbrella, has lately been decided in Boston in the affirmative. The late Judge Canonge, of the Criminal Court of New Orleans, is reported to have decided negatively, provided it was raining hard when the umbrella was taken. The old gentleman always took care of his umbrella on such occasions, and he thought others should do likewise, or else pay for their folly, that they might profit thereby.

☞Valain Deroussel, who killed Joseph Babineaux, some time ago, in the parish of St. Martin, was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to hard labor for twenty years.—*Echo.*

☞Diarrhœa and dysentery are now prevalent diseases in our parish, and several deaths have resulted therefrom.—*Banner.*

ORIGIN OF THE PHRASE "BUNCOMBE."—The origin of the expression "Buncombe speeches" is said to have been as follows: Some years since, a member of Congress, [Hill,] from the county of Buncombe, North Carolina, was indulging in a long and very uninteresting harangue in the House of Representatives. Some attempted to cough him down, others called him to order; but it was of no use—he was determined to have his say, let what would occur. At last the members began to leave, and there was soon scarcely any persons left except the reporters. At this stage of the proceeding, a member, who had listened with wonderful perseverance, suggested to him that he would soon be destitute of auditors; whereupon he coolly observed that it was of no consequence, as he was "speaking for Buncombe, not Washington" in other words that his speech was intended for the perusal of his constituents, and not at all to influence the action of his fellow members.

ADVENTURE OF A BLIND RAT.—Capt. Dewey, the man who cut off Gen. Jackson's head from the prow of the frigate Constitution, tells the following wonderful rat story:

I was sitting at a late hour one evening, on the gun-deck to catch the breeze, which came freshly through the larboard ports, when a large, sleek, long-tailed rat, with a long aristocratic step, approached the combings of the hatch. I soon discovered that there were two rats coming into the ship.—The foremost was leading the other by a straw, one end of which each held in his mouth. We managed to capture them both, and found, to our surprise, that the one led by the other was stone blind. His faithful friend was trying to get him on board, where he would have comfortable quarters during a three years' cruise. We felt no disposition to kill either, and landed them on the wharf. How many there are in this world to whom the fidelity of that rat readeth a lesson.

☞The late marriage in Paris of Joachim Murat to the Princess of Wagram has an American interest. He was born at Bordentown, New Jersey. He is only 19 years of age, while Mlle Berthier twenty-one. She is the grand daughter of Marshal Berthier, created Prince of Wagram by Napoleon. Rumor fixes the sum of the dowry given by the Emperor at a million of francs.

(*Communicated.*)

MESSRS. EDITORS:— Will you be so kind as to publish the following lines in your next number:

To the New-Orleans Crescent;—

My attention has been called to an article published in the New Orleans *Crescent*, in its weekly issue of June 3d, 1854, where an inquiry is made of the Editors of the *Opelousas Courier*, whether or not this Eugene Martelle (who was supposed "to be appointed Receiver of Public Moneys, at Opelousas), "be the same individual who was convicted of perjury in swearing falsely as regarded the "settlement of an uncle of his, upon the Public "Domain, in order that the same uncle might acquire a pre-emption." The person who was appointed Receiver is Eugene Wartelle, a wealthy, respectable and highly honorable gentleman and much esteemed in this community. When an Editor of a public journal, steps aside from the line of his duty, to scatter before the community broad cast libelous and slanderous charges against a private character, he should know his facts well, and from respectable sources, before he publishes his falsehoods.

I was charged with the crime of perjury, but was honorably acquitted upon both questions of law and facts. It was a malicious and baseless charge. I had about as much truth and honor in it as influenced the Editors of the *Crescent* in reviving it.—The base and the mean may prosecute the just from motives of malice, or any other objects, but in the face of an acquittal, their motives are exposed and their malice recoils upon their own heads. I should not have noticed this matter, coming from an obscure journal, like the *Crescent*, but yet the filthiest reptile may inflict a sting that may be painful to endure. I here leave them to the quiet enjoyment of their ill breeding, their slanderous disposition and their malice, with a firm belief that their venom can never injure me as a private individual.

EUGENE MARTEL.

Opelousas, June 8th, 1854.

THE BLACK WARRIOR AFFAIR IN SPAIN.

The foreign papers, by the steamer Europa, bring us advices from Madrid, to the 28th ult. At that time the American version of the Black Warrior outrage had reached Spain, and is detailed in the correspondence to the English papers. A letter, dated the 27th April, in the London Chronicle, after giving the Amerecan account, says:

A case of seizure of an American vessel, the Empress, took place at Malaga, in 1843, under similar circumstances, and the government of that day dismissed the intendent, Senor Gaminde, who caused the seizure to be made, the American minister here, Mr. Washington Irving, having demanded the same. Senor Gaminde's case was submitted to the Supreme Tribunal of Justice, which gave its verdict in his favor, while the Audiencia of Granada declared the forfeiture of the vessel and cargo valid. There was this in common in both cases—that the laws of the country had been left in disuse, and practices tolerated which were at variance with the regulations of the port. In the case of the Black Warrior, the Americans contend that there was no fraudulent intention whatever, while a custom which had lasted for thirty-six voyages seems to give a prescriptive right to its continuance. On the other hand, Spaniards contend that the disuse of a law gives no right whatever to its infraction. It is against the intendent of Finance and Superintendent of Customs, that the American government is particularly hostile, because it entertains the impression that the seizure was made by them in order to participate in their portion of the spoils.

The same correspondent, in his letter of the 28th, has the following, from which we infer that no credence or attention had been given to the American account of the affair:

The dispute between the Spanish and American government, occasioned by the seizure of the Black Warrior steamer at Havana, excites some sensation here, and whatever the merits of the case may be, there is a strong feeling here in favor of the Spanish view of the subject. In fact, it seems very generally the opinion *that a pretext has been sought for a quarrel*, and the Espana, to-day, arguing on the supposition that such is the case, which, however, it says, would be unworthy of a great nation, and highly impolitic, remarks:—

That conduct, in the first place wounding our national pride to the quick, would cause the most lively sentiments of anger, of noble and holy indignation, to burst forth in the breasts of all Spaniards. We are sure that in such a case there would not be a single voice that would not raise its clamor to the heavens; there would not be a single party, from the Carlist to the democratic, that would not join the government to avenge the outrage; there would not be a single hand which would remain closed to the exigencies of the finance for the maintenance of the war; there would not be, in fine, any one who would refuse to shed the last drop of his blood in defence of the country. The period of 1808 would be renewed, as if by enchantment, *since there is nothing which more raises the spirit of a poor and helpless, but noble and sensitive nation, than to see itself despised up to the point that reason and equity are despised, in order to offend it—up to the point that the aggressor, confiding in his force, disdains the appearance of justice.*

The same reason would make our cause more popular in Europe, more sympathetic in the eyes of the civilized world; because in the offence offered to Spain, all would see the offence to common right.

The Espana concludes by inferring from these reasons that no serious conflicts can arise out of the present dispute, and calling on the government to act with firmness, and at the same time with generosity and tact.

MR. SOULE'S DEMAND ON THE SPANISH.

The Paris corespondence of the New York Tribune, writing under the date of the 3d instant, states that the Madrid correspondence of the London Times in explanation of the proceedings of Mr. Soulé on the Black Warrior affair, are ridiculously untrue. The facts of the case, he says, are as follows. Our readers may take what margin for fancy they choose:

On the arrival of the special messenger, Mr. Winslow, with instructions, Mr. Soulé prepared and sent to the Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Calderon de la Barca, a very calm, clear and firm demand, containing two propositions: first, indemnity, secondly, guarantee for the future, by appointment of a diplomatic agent at Havana, with powers to meet these cases. This was delivered to M. Calderon, with a request for a *prompt* response but not specifying the time which was allowed to make the response. At the end of twenty-four hours, Mr. Soulé, receiving no reply, another note was sent, in substance of the same as the first, and adding that if at the end of twenty-four hours a response was not received, he should take it for granted that the Spanish government approved the action of the Cuban authorities, and he should act accordingly. This was delivered by the Secretary, Mr. Perry, in person. When M. Calderon had finished reading the note, Mr. Perry coolly drew out his watch and said:

"Your Excellency will please observe that it is now 12 o'clock; at 12 o'clock to-morrow, precisely I shall be here for a reply."

"Holy Virgin! young man, what do you mean?" exclaimed the Minister; "holy week and a Sunday intervening: It is impossible!"

Mr. Perry left. Before the termination of the twenty-four hours, Mr. Soulé received a response from M. Calderon, stating that it was out of the power of the government to act in the matter, inasmuch as they had received no official intelligence from Cuba to guide them in their negociations, and adding that the manner of Mr. Soulé clearly indicated that the government of the United States was much more anxious for a difficulty than for a settlement.

To this Mr. Soulé responded, again reiterating his first demands, and adding—rather impertinently, it must be admitted—that he was satisfied that full information had been received from Cuba, and that in reference to the designs of the United States, they sought only a prompt settlement of the difficulty in order to preserve the peaceful relations which existed between the two countries; that the continued insults which the Cuban authorities had offered the United States had so exasperated the people that a prompt settlement would be found the surest guarantee of continued peaceful relations.

At this stage of the proceedings, the Queen sent for Mr. Soulé, who, it may as well be repeated, is in favor at the palace, while, on the contrary, Calderon is hated by her. Her Majesty, who indulges in a very strong diet into which brandy and cigars enter largely, and is not very choice in her language, wished to know of Mr. Soulé what the row meant between him and Mr. Calderon. On Mr. S. stating the case, she stamped her foot violently on the floor; and said that "Calderon was a d—d fool; that she wished Soulé would manage the affair so as to get her rid of him, and she advised him *to press him hard!*" It is generally thought in diplomatic circles in Paris, that between Mr. Soulé and the Queen, Calderon will be brought to a conclusion—of some kind.

HUSBANDS AND WIVES.—Addison has left on record the following important sentence:

"Two persons who have chose each other out of all the species, with a design to be each other's mutual comfort and entertainment, have in that action bound themselves to be good humored, affable, forgiving, patient, and joyful, with respect to each other's frailties and imperfections, to the end of their lives."

☞In Pensylvania a girl is legally marriageable at fourteen, and a boy at sixteen, without the consent of Parents. We shall expect to see a large emigration of "Young America" to the Key Stone State when this becomes generally known.

DELIBERATIONS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF OPELOUSAS.

Saturday, 3d June, 1854.— The Board met pursuant to adjournment.— Present, Mr. S. RICHARD, President; Messrs. Meynier, Mussand and Perrault.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Meynier, Resolved that the committee appointed on the 6th and 7th wards and Landry street, be and are appointed a committee to examine throughout the town and cause such repairs to be made therein as they deem proper.

Mr. Perrault presented the account of A. J. Thompson, for work and labor done in the 6th and 7th wards, for $26 20—when, on motion, Resolved that said account be paid out of the taxes of 1854, not otherwise appropriated.

Messrs. Hollier fils and Mornhinveg appeared in their places.

On motion of Mr. Mornhinveg, Resolved that any person or persons who shall, from and after the 12th instant, offer for sale, in the market-house of the town of Opelousas, any meat of the cow kind and demand and receive for the same a greater price than at the rate of seven cents per pound, shall forfeit and pay for the use of the town the sum of ten dollars for each offense.

On motion of Mr. Meynier, Resolved that the Board adjourn to the 17th instant, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

The members present organized themselves as a Board of Health.

Mr. Meynier moved the following resolution:— Resolved that the Town Constable, or his deputy, be and is required to give verbal notice to the owners or occupants of lots within the town of Opelousas, to cause to be cleaned and kept clean, and free from all sources of filth or matter that may prove injurious to health, the lots or buildings by them occupied or under their charge or control, as also the ditches, drains, &c., around or in any of said lots, and this within seven days after said notice is given.

On motion of Mr. Meynier, the Board adjourned.

S. RICHARD, *President.*

GUY H. BELL, *Clerk.*

The most extraordinary discovery in the World is the Great Arabian Remedy for Man and Beast.

H. G. FARRELL'S

CELEBRATED ARABIAN LINIMENT.

The beautiful and fertile region skirting the desert of Arabia, abounds with rare plants and odorous woods, whence are procured those aromatic gums and balsams of which this Liniment is composed, and by whose stimulating, unctuous and penetrating properties it is, when applied, diffused through the whole nervous system, allaying the most intense pain in a few minutes. Try it, when you will be convinced that no preparation possesses in so high a degree, its perfect anodyne qualities. Its action is prompt and effective. It penetrates the flesh to the bone, relaxes contracted cords, restoring use to limbs paralysed for years, and where the flesh has wasted away, leaving nothing but skin and bone, excites a healthy action, causing new flesh to grow out and fill up the shrivelled parts. It restores the synovial fluid or joint water, and this is the reason why it has been so successful in diseases of the joints. In affections of the Spine, Liver, Lungs and Kidneys, this great remedy stands before any other ever produced. For ague cake or enlargement of the spleen, it is a specific. For any internal inflammation, you will find it gives great relief. It has no equal in the world for Rheumatism—also, cramps, swelling, numbness, weak joints, Spine and Chest, pains, wounds, chilblains, burns, sore throat, bites of insects and reptiles, salt rheum, warts, corns, mange, and indeed nearly all diseases which require an external application and many others, are greatly benefited by it. It is used externally with great success in goitre, or swelled neck, Scrofula or King's Evil, Liver Complaint, nervous diseases, &c. For Horses or Cattle, it is as effectual as in diseases of man. Will cure any case of Sweeney in existence; also. Spavin, Splint, Ringbone, Big-head, Fistula, Farcy, Poll Evil, Windgalls, Strains, Bruises, &c.

Look out for Counterfeits !

The public are cautioned against another counterfeit, which has lately made its appearance, called, W. B. Farrell's Arabian Liniment, the most dangerous of all the counterfeits, because his having the name of Farrell, many will buy it in good faith, without the knowledge that a counterfeit exists, and they will perhaps only discover their error when the spurious mixture has wrought its evil effects.

The genuine article is manufactured only by H. G. Farrell, sole inventor and proprietor, and wholesale druggist, No. 17 Main street, Peoria, Illinois to whom all applications for agencies must be addressed. Be sure you get it with the letters H. G. before Farrell's, thus—H. G. FARRELL'S—and his signature on the wrapper, all others are counterfeits.

Sold by John Posey, and by Hebrard & Lee, Opelousas, La., and by regularly authorized agents throughout the United States.

☞Price 25 and 50 cents, and $1 per bottle.

AGENTS WANTED in every town; village and hamlet in the United States, in which one is not already established. Address H. G Farrell as above, accompanied with good reference as to character, responsibility, &c.

Opelousas, May 20th, 1854.—4t.

FOR SALE.

AN improved Plantation, on the West Bank of Bayou Bœuf, in this Parish, about 10 miles from Mountville, with good Dwelling, Kitchen, Store-House, Magazine, Negro-Quaters and Stables all new and substantial. Comprising 225 arpents of good land, of which about 50 are in cultivation. For particulars apply to John Posey, Esq., Opelousas.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.—4t.

Take Notice.

ALL persons having claims against Louis Soileau fils, due or contracted prior to the date of the surrender of his property to his creditors will present them to the undersigned within thirty days, and all persons owing the surrendered Estate of said Soileau are notified to pay within said period if they wish to avoid costs.

PHILLIPPE STAGG, Syndic.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

R. H. Short, & als., vs. Peter Collins. } District Court. Parish of St. Landry. No. 6062.

BY virtue of a writ of fi. fa., issued out the District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, and to me directed, in the above entitled suit, will be exposed at public sale, at the Court House of this Parish on Saturday, the 1st day of July 1854, at twelve months' credit, being the second and last exposure, purchasers giving bond with security, with interest at eight per cent., from the day of sale until paid, all the right, title, interest and demand of Peter Collins, in and to the following described property, seized to satisfy said writ, to wit:

A certain Tract or Parcel of Land, lying and being in the Parish of St. Landry, about 12 miles from Mountville, on the East Bank of Bayou Bœuf and containing about four hundred arpents, having ten arpents front by forty in depth, bounded North by lands of Gilbert Burleigh, South by lands of Wm. Link.—And another Tract of Land situated on the West Bank of Bayou Bœuf, in the same Parish, containing about two hundred arpents, together with all the Buildings and Improvements thereon.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, St. Landry, June 10th, 1854.

Public Sale.

VACANT ESTATE OF LOUISA HERBERT, DEC'D.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be offered for sale, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned, a public auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, on the premises in the town, in this Parish, on

Wednesday, 12th, July next, 1854,

the following described property, belonging to the Estate of the late Mrs. Louisa Herbert, deceased, to wit:

A CERTAIN

Lot of Ground,

situated in the Town of Opelousas, bounded East by Court street, on the South by North street, being the last residence of the deceased, together with all the *Improvements* thereon erected.

Household furniture, Kitchen utensils, three stoves, one lot of pieux, one lot of moss, silver spoons, &c.

Conditions :—The personal effets payable cash, and the balance of the property of said estate, to wit: the lot of ground and improvements thereon, as follows: two hundred dollars payable cash and the balance of the purchase money payable on a credit of one and two years, from the day of sale.

A. DEJEAN, *Auctioneer.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, *Parish of St. Landry,* } No. 7238.

Estate of Ange Soileau, deceased.

CELINE GUILLORY, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administratix of the Estate of the late Ange Soileau, late of the Parish of St. Landry, having filed a final tableau of the affairs of said Estate, accompanied by a petition, praying for the homologation of the same. And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated 7th June, 1854;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within ten days, from the date hereof, why said tableau should not be homologated, the administratrix authorized to pay conformably to said tableau, and that she be discharged from further liabilities as such, and that her bond be cancelled.

A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, *Parish of St. Landry.* } No. 5957.

Estate of Marcelite Stelly, deceased.

THEODULE RICHARD, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of the late Marcélite Stelly, late of said Parish, having filed a final Tableau of the affairs of said Estate, accompanied by a petition praying that the same may be homologated. And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated 7th June 1854.

Therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within thirty days from the date hereof, why said Tableau should not be confirmed and homologated, and that the Administrator be discharged of all further liabilities, as such and his bond cancelled.

A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.—5t.

New Provisions Store,

AT WASHINGTON.

THE subscriber having taken a Store in the Town of Washington, will constantly keep on hand a large and good supply of provisions, such as Pork, Bacon, &c., which he will sell on reasonable terms, at wholesale or retail, or exchange the same for hides, skins, or country produce.

THOS. J. GODMAN.

Washington, (La.,) June 10th, 1854.—3t.

RAIL-ROAD TAX.

POLICE JURY, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY. } Meeting of the 6th June 1854.

IT is resolved and be it Ordained, by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Landry. That notice be and is given to the subscribers to the Stock of the New-Orleans, Opelousas, and Great Western Rail Road, and who have been taxed for the payment of the subscription of said Parish to the company, shall have the right, of reducing his, her, or their shares, by an amount equal to that of the tax so imposed, but this right must be exercised within thirty days, from the date of this Resolution and Ordinance, after which time it shall not be allowed.

A true copy of the Original, passed 6th June 1854.

Attest, GUY H. BELL, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

NOTICE.

A meeting of the creditors of the Estate of the late James B. Hargrove, deceased, will be holden on Wednesday, the 12th day of July next, 1854, at the Office of William Mouton, Esq., a notary public, in the town of Washington, then and there to deliberate on the affairs of said Estate.

A. GARRIGUES,
Clerk of the District Court.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned wishing to close the business of his store in Opelousas, invites those indebted to him to come and settle the quickest possible if they wish to avoid costs.

He offers in the mean time, to hire his store and two dwelling houses, in the town of Opelouesas. Apply to

EDOUARD FAYOLLE.

Opelousas, June 10th 1854.

NOTICE.

THEODOSE S. ROBIN, of the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, having applied by his petition for the appointment of Administrator of the Estate of Onézime A. Boudreau, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry.

Therefore, any person intending to make opposition to said appointment, will file the same in writing in my office, in the town of Opelousas, within ten days, from the publication of this notice.

A. GARRIGUES, Clerk.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

PHŒNIX DIVISION—NO. 44—SONS OF TEMPERANCE—WASHINGTON, LA.

THIS Division meets at the Odd Fellows Hall, in Washington, every *Wednesday night*, at 8 o'clock.—Officers of the Division for the quarter ending 30th June, 1854:

R. B. HARDESTY, W.P.
S. D. ALLIS, W. A.
J. C. HICKMAN, R. S.
W. L. FRAZEE, A. R. S.
T. M. ANDERSON, F. S.
P. MAY, T.
R. J. HALLEY, C.
G. F. HUDSPETH, A. C.
D. D. ARDEN, I. S.
R. B. HARDESTY Jr., O. S.

Washington, June 10th, 1854.

Public Sale.

By the undersigned, Administrator, &c.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be offered for sale, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned, on the premises, on the Mermento, in the Parish of St. Landry, on

Wednesday, 12th July next, 1854,

the following property, belonging to the Estate of the late Edmund Surlers, late of said Parish, to wit:

A Mulatto-Man,

named Dick, aged about 26 years. A dwelling House and out houses, situated on the Public land, and being the last residence of said deceased.

About 35 head of gentle horned cattle, 5 head of gentle horse creatures, about 300 pannels of fence, one gold watch, one calash, one ox cart, 2 branding irons, household furniture, kitchen utensils, &c.

Terms and conditions will be made known on the day of sale.

JOHN WRIGHT, *Administrator.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, *Parish of St. Landry.* } No. 5859.

Estate of Jean Baptiste Letourneur, deceased.

SOLOMON JOHNSON, of the Parish of St. Landry, Dative Executor of the Estate of the late Jean Baptiste Letourneur, late of the said Parish, having filed a final tableau of the affairs of said Estate, accompanied by a petition praying that the same may be homologated. And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated June 7th, 1854;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within ten days from the date hereof, why said Tableau should not be homologated, that the administrator be authorized to pay in conformity to said tableau and that he be discharged from any further liabilities as such and that his bond be cancelled.

A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF ST LANDRY. } No. 7222.

Estate of John Davis, deceased.

GEORGE RICKS, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of the late John Davis, late of the Parish of St. Landry, having filed a provisional tableau of the distribution of the funds of said Estate, and a classification of the creditors, as far as they are now known, accompanied by a petition praying that the same may be homologated. And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated June 7th, 1854;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within ten days, from the date hereof, why said tableau should not be approved and homologated.

A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, *Parish of St. Landry.* } No. 7223.

Estate of Henri Valansart, dec'd.

LOUIS CHAUDET, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of the late Henri Valansart, late of the Parish of St. Landry, having filed a tableau of classification of the creditors and the amount of debts and claims against the said Estate, accompanied by his petition praying for the homologation of the same; and whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated June 7th, 1854;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within ten days from the date hereof, why said tableau should not be homologated and the administrator authorized to pay in conformity to said tableau.

A. GARRIGUES, Clerk.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, *Parish of St. Landry,* } No. 7224.

Estate of Alfred Moore, f. m. c., deceased.

JONATHAN HARRIS, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of the late Alfred Moore, f. m. c., late of the Parish of St. Landry, having filed a tableau and account of said succession, accompanied by his petition, praying for the homologation of the same. And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated 24th May, 1854;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within ten days, from the date hereof, why said tableau and account should not be homologated, the administrator authorized to pay in conformity to said tableau, and that he be discharged as such from further liabilities and that his bond be cancelled.

A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY. } No. 7237.

Estate of George Hudspeth, deceased.

SAMUEL M. HUDSPETH, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of the late George Hudspeth, late of the Parish of St. Landry, having filed a final tableau of the affairs of the said Estate, accompanied by a petition praying that the same may be homologated. And whereas, the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated 7th June 1854;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition, if any they have, within ten days from the date hereof, why said tableau should not be homologated, the administrator discharged from further liabilities as such and his bond cancelled.

A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

NOTICE.

A MEETING of the creditors of Messrs. Myer & Alexanders will be holden on Wednesday, the 12th day of July next, 1854, at the office of Yves D'Avy, Esqr., Parish Recorder, and ex-officio notary public, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, then and there to deliberate on the affairs of said Myer & Alexanders.

A. GARRIGUES,
Clerk of the District Court.

Opelousas, June, 10th 1854.

BARGAINS ! BARGAINS ! !

Great Reduction of Prices.

THE undersigned, desirous of closing their Summer business, now offer to their friends and customers a chance, which they hope they will avail themselves of. The prices of our Summer Goods have been greatly reduced with the *positive* intention to run them off.

Ladies will, by "merely pricing" our fancy goods, see to their astonishment, that never has such a chance been offered them; we have in their line yet a beautiful assortment.

Our Stock of Clothings is large and we can fit almost any one:— we offer them at almost cost price; on hand are the following:

French Merino Frocks, Paletots and Sacks;
Alpacca " " "
Grass, Linen and Flannel;

A beautiful assortment of Marseille Vests, French Merino and Linen Drilling Pants.

Come, we say; don't think we are trying to humbug. GENIN & POIRET.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

VALUABLE LAND AT AUCTION.

WILL be sold at auction, to the last and highest bidder, on *Saturday, the 24th day of June*, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Store of Levy & Brother, on Bayou Rouge, in this Parish;

120 Acres of Land,

on Big Cane, now the property of George Ricks, and lying between the lands of —— Gordon and Saml. Scott, with all the Improvements thereon. Possession given on the 1st. January, 1855.

Terms :—One half payable on the 1st, of January, 1855, and the other half on the 1st, of January, 1856, in good drafts on New-Orleans.

S. D. ALLIS, *Auctioneer.*

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

NOTICE.

JULIEN LEGER, of the Parish of St. Landry, having applied by his petition, for the appointment of Administrator of the Estate of Don Louis Clément fils, deceased, late of said Parish.

Now, therefore notice is hereby given, to all those interested, to make opposition, to said appointment, if any they have, in writing, in my office in the Town of Opelousas, within ten days from the publication of this notice.

A. GARRIGUES, Clerk.

Opelousas, June 10th, 1854.

ST. LOUIS HOTEL,

Grand Coteau, La.

LOUIS A. PATIN, PROPRIETOR.

ON the 15th of January next, 1854, this Hotel will be opened for the reception of the travelling public.

This Hotel will be kept in the best style, and the Table furnished with the best that the market of the place can afford.

Large and commodious Stables are attached to the Establishment.

Grand Coteau, 31st December, 1853.

B. A. Martel & P. D. Hardy,

Attorneys at Law,

HAVING formed a co-partnersip for the transacting of all business of a *civil* nature, belonging to their profession, tender their services to their friends of the 14th & 15th Judicial District.

Office at Opelousas. [April 8th, 1854.

GRAOUILLA,

MARBLE CUTTER.

ST.-MARTINSVILLE, LA.,

HAS constantly on hand a fine assortment of Italian Marble, of the finest quality, for Tombs, &c. Persons in want of such works will please send their orders to him, in St. Martinsville, or to the editors of the *Opelousas Courier.*

He warrants all his foundations.

St. Martinsville, December 31st, 1853.—1y

HEZEKIAH HAYS,

PARISH SURVEYOR;

RESPECTFULLY offers his services as such to his friends and the public in general. Office, corner of Court and South Street, Opelousas. [June 3, 1854—1y

NOTICE.

THE pews of the Catholic Church of St. Landry, will be sold at auction, on Sunday, 18th instant.

Terms :—Cash.

EVTE. DEBAILLON, *Secretary.*

Opelousas, June 3d. 1854.

LAST CALL!

THE Tax Payers of the Parish of St. Landry who have not yet paid their State Taxes of 1851, 1852 and 1853, are hereby requested to come forward immediately and pay up, as the undersigned will be obliged, in order to make his payments, which will soon be due by him to the Auditor of Public Accounts, to collect these taxes with all the despatch possible with all the rigors of law.

J. B. DAVID,
Sheriff and Collector of State Taxes.

Opelousas, June 3d, 1854.

NOTICE.

THOSE who may be interested, are hereby requested to come forward, at my office, at the Court House, in the town of Opelousas, and to take out their licences of 1852, 1853 and 1854, between this and the 15th of June instant, if they wish to avoid costs, it being my firm intention to act according to the following extract of the Revenue Law, passed by the Legislature of this State, and approved on the 21st of March, 1850.

J. B. DAVID, *Sheriff and Collector of State Licences.*

Opelousas, June 3d, 1854.

SEC. 43. *Be it further enacted, &c.*, If any person or persons, corporation or corporations, shall neglect to take out and procure his or their licenses, as provided in the foregoing section, without ten days from the first day of January of each year, or within ten days from the time of commencing the business on which a tax is laid, unless the person engaged therein be temporarily absent, and then, within ten days after his return, one hundred per centum shall be added to the amount which such person or persons, or corporations would have been liable to pay, and it shall be the duty of the collector of the parish or collection district in which such person or corporation resides or transacts his business, to proceed immediately to the seizure and sale of the goods, wares, chattels, rights, and credits, of any person or persons, corporation or corporations, so neglecting, to pay the amount of the tax by him or them due, and the costs of the seizure and sale: Provided, that the said collector shall give ten days notice of the sale of said goods, wares, chattels and effects, by posting said notice in three public places of his respective district or parish, as the case may be; and, provided, also, that the said collector shall be allowed the same fees as are now allowed by law to sheriffs for similar services, to be paid out of the goods, wares, chattels and effects thus seized and offered for sale.

NOTICE.

THE Tax Roll for the Town of Opelousas, for the year 1854, is completed and left with Guy H. Bell, for twenty days, from this date, where those who wish, may call and examine the same.

A. J. THOMPSON, *Assessor.*

Opelousas, May 20th, 1854.