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New Orleans Cards, &c.

E. F. Mioton, P. Maloché.

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Wholesale & Retail Merchants of COGNAC, CHINA-WARE, GLASS-WARE, &c.

No. 42, Old Levee Street, NEW-ORLEANS.

G. W. DUNBAR,

Wholesale Dealer in Boots, Shoes, Brogans, Hats and Caps.

Will keep constantly on hand, a large and well selected Stock of Boots, Shoes and Hats.

Particular attention is given in the manufacture of those goods, to meet the wants of Louisiana Merchants, combining good quality, high style and suitable sizes.

From long experience and close application to this branch of business, no house can offer greater advantages, nor goods better adapted to the wants of both buyers and consumers.

The assortment of Hats and Caps is complete, such as Fashionable Silk, Ostr. Fur, Casimir Wool Soft, Alpaca, Leghorn Straw, Panama, Campeachy and Palm Leaf.

Orders sent to the house shall be filled with care and attention.

New Orleans, February 4th, 1854.—1y.

J. V. Gourdain, Charles Kerr.

GOURDAIN & KERR,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

No. 25, Canal Street, NEW ORLEANS.

14th June 1853.—1y.

DISSENTION.

THE partnership existing in this city, under the firm of OLIVIER & BAQUIE, is this day dissolved by limitation.

The undersigned is the only one authorized to settle the affairs of the late firm, and will use the name of the house in his liquidation only.

AUG. BAQUIE.

Thankful for the patronage extended to my late house, I respectfully notify my friends and the public, that I will continue the Grocery Business, at the old stand, and solicit the continuation of their favors.

AUG. BAQUIE.

14 New Canbyhouse and 14 Crossman st. New Orleans, June 30th, 1854.—1y.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned hereby informs the public that he has taken with him, as partners, for the sale of the produce, in New-Orleans, Messrs. J. B. DUBOIS, F. B. BELL, and ANTHONY P. MONROE.

This partnership will also effect from the 1st of September next, under the name of J. B. DUBOIS & Co. New-Orleans, 12th June, 1854.

[June 24.—3m] J. B. BELLOUCQ.

To Planters and Merchants.

THE house of OLIVIER & BAQUIE having been dissolved on the 1st instant by limitation and mutual consent, I beg leave to inform you that I shall hereafter do a FACTORING and COMMISSION BUSINESS, on my sole account, and on cash footing exclusively.

All consignments of Sugar, Molasses, Cotton, &c., will meet with particular attention, ready sales, at full market value, and prompt returns made in cash, less actual charges only, and my commission of two and a half per cent.

All orders received for Groceries, Western Produce, Hardware, supplies, &c., will be filled cheap for cash or city acceptances.

CHAS. N. OLIVIER, No. 7, Front Levee, New Orleans, July 15th, 1854.

FRANKLIN INSTITUTION.

(Formerly Mr. Ch. Thieneman's.)

T. VALADE, Principal.

Mr. Hoare, Professor of English.

THIS institution bases its claims to the confidence of families, on its good direction, the perfect order established, and the affectionate care bestowed on each scholar.

The English Language, taught by a competent teacher, is the object of the strictest attention.

TERMS:—Boarders for the Scholastic Year of 10 months, \$130 00

Day Scholars, for same period, " 40 00

Payable quarterly.

T. VALADE, Opelousas, January 14th, 1854.

BEAVER-CREEK SPRINGS.

THE undersigned, manager of said springs, respectfully informs the public that, in order to insure them (the springs), it is proposed that they be furnished with a dam, and the contractors will be appointed, under the direction of Mr. Arthur Perrault, whose vision can always be seen in the present year, abundant and of good water.

The same amount also that a fine coffee-house will be opened, under the direction of Mr. Arthur Perrault, whose vision can always be seen in the present year, abundant and of good water.

It has also been secured the services of the excellent cook and pastry-cook, JAMES, the property of Mr. Andrew Meynier, and the hopes that with him, she will be able to satisfy the most discriminating palates.

RACHEL GARDENIGO, Beaver-Creek, 1st July, 1854.

Judicial Notices, &c.

DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF SAINT-LANDRY.

Celeste C. Pitre vs. Augustin Jeannotte. No. 7068.

IN this case, the law and evidence being in favor of the Plaintiff, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that Plaintiff have against the Defendant the following judgment, viz: That Plaintiff recover, 1o, a certain plantation, situated in the Parish of St. Landry, at Point des Noyers, measuring about ninety-eight arpents, bounded on the North by Villeneuve Joubert, South by public land, East by Francois P. Pitre, West by public land; 2o, One hundred arpents of wood land, situated in the aforesaid parish, in the Big Woods, bounded North by Pierre Comeau and South by Felix Dejean; 3o, A mulatto man, named Jean Pierre, aged about twenty-five years; 4o, a negro woman, named Lizé, aged seventy years; 5o a negro woman, named Lizé, aged about thirty-eight years, and her son ten years; 6o, a negro girl, named Marie, aged about fourteen years; 7o, a mulatress, named Lina, aged six years, (orphan); 8o, That Plaintiff recover also from and have judgment against Defendant for the sum of fifteen hundred and seventy-five dollars; that she have a mortgage on all the immovable property of Defendant, on this mortgage to be of full force on his property since the twenty-seventh day of September eighteen hundred and forty-nine, for the securing of the payment of the said fifteen hundred and seventy-five dollars. It is further ordered that the Plaintiff be separated in property from her husband, the Defendant, and that she resume the entire control and administration of her separate property, whether dotal or paraphernal. It is further ordered that Defendant pay the costs of this suit.

Done, signed and read in open Court, this 22d day of June 1854, at Opelousas.

LUCIUS J. DUPRE, Judge 15th Judicial District.

A true copy.

A. DEJEAN, Deputy Clerk.

Opelousas, July 1st, 1854.

STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Baton Rouge, July 7, 1854.

NOTICE.

IS hereby given that the State Engineer is prepared to let out the contract for the erection of works at the mouth of the Bayou Plaquemine, to prevent the entrance of drift-wood into the same, from the Mississippi River, consisting of a Break-Water or Levee, constructed of earth, on the upper side, to diminish the capacity of the mouth of said bayou, and turn off the current of the Mississippi;—Surrounded by wood work, to prevent its being destroyed by the action of the water or otherwise, and a substantial work of Piling on the lower side, to arrest such drift-wood as might otherwise enter its mouth.

Persons wishing to contract, are requested to call at this office, examine the plans and specifications, and give in-written estimates for its performance.

Good security will be demanded for the faithful performance of the work, according to the contract, but sixty per cent. on the estimated value of the work executed, may be paid monthly, as it progresses.

GEO. W. MORSE, State Engineer.

July 16th, 1854.—5t.

NOTICE.

IS hereby given that on Saturday the 22d day of July inst., the contract will be let out at the house of Mrs. Robbin for the improvement of the Atchafalaya River and Bayou Courtableau in accordance with Act No. 226 of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana approved March 16th 1854.

A Levy on the South bank of the Bayou Courtableau and the clearing out of the Atchafalaya is required from the mouth of the Courtableau up, all of which is specially set forth in the Act above referred to, and to which contractors must bind themselves to conform.

GEO. W. MORSE, State Engineer.

Baton Rouge, July 1st 1854.

RAIL-ROAD TAX.

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

GUY H. BELL, Clerk.

Opelousas, June 24th, 1854.

Persons who wish to avail themselves of the privilege above mentioned, are requested to come and sign lists prepared for that purpose, at the office of B. Beaupre, Esq., Rail-Road Agent & Parish Treasurer, in Opelousas.

A CARD.

DAY AND BOARDING SCHOOL,

Washington.

THE undersigned will resume the duties of his school, in the town of Washington, on the 1st of August ensuing. It is his intention, to obtain the services of an experienced instructor in the French and Spanish languages. Mr. J. A. Kennedy, his present assistant, will continue as teacher in the Classical and Mathematical Department. Information, with regard to terms and conditions, can be obtained by applying to him in person, or by letter. For general information, relative to the progress of pupils, etc., he respectfully refers to those parents and guardians who have hitherto patronized him.

GEORGE LUTHER, Washington, July 24th, 1854.

Edw. F. Chabert,

BRICKLAYER & JOBBER.

OFFERS his services to the public. He intends to do all kinds of good masonry as can be done in the Parish of St. Landry.

Opelousas, June 24th, 1854.

Judicial Sales, &c.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Louisiana.

Valère Roy, tutor, District Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 7240.

BY virtue of an order of seizure and sale, issued out of 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, for cash, at the Court House of this Parish, on Saturday, the 5th day of August, 1854, commencing at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M., and continuing from day to day, if necessary, all the right, title, interest and demand of Lastie Dupré, in and to the following described property, to wit:

A certain fractional Lot of Ground, situated in the town of Opelousas, in said parish, being a part of square No. 9, measuring ninety-six feet and one inch front, more or less, by one hundred and sixty-nine feet and six inches in depth, fronting on Main street, bounded on the East by said street, on the North and West by lots formerly belonging to Andre Lastrapes, and South by lots formerly belonging to Bi-gnon & Martin, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, without exception or reserve.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, St. Landry, July 1st, 1854.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Louise Bourdeau, District Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 7240.

BY virtue of a writ of f. f. n., issued out of 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, for cash at the residence of the defendant, in Coule Opecha, in this Parish, on Saturday, the 5th day of August, 1854, commencing at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M., and continuing from day to day if necessary, all the right, title, interest and demand of Joseph Savoie, in and to the following described property, to wit:

A certain mulatto girl, named Victoire, aged about 19 years; another certain mulatto girl, named Sophie, aged about 17 years; improvements on a public land; about 12 head of horses; one ox cart.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, St. Landry, July 1st, 1854.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Louisiana.

Josephine Daigle, District Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 7081.

BY virtue of a writ of f. f. n., issued out of 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, for cash, at the residence of Antoine Guichy, at Pointe Notre, in this Parish, on Saturday, the 5th day of August next, 1854, commencing at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M., and continuing from day to day, if necessary, all the right, title, interest and demand of Josephine Daigle, in and to the following described property, to wit:

A certain Negro Girl, named Marie, aged about 26 years, and her child, named Célestine, aged about 12 months; a negro boy named Lewis, aged about 12 years; buildings and improvements, and a tract of Public Land, situated at Pointe Notre; one hundred arpents of wood land, situated at Pointe Plaquemine, bounded North by land of Baptiste David, South by land of Joseph and Théophile Daigle, East by Bayou Plaquemine and West by Public Land; one pair of oxen; two horses.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, St. Landry, 1st July, 1854.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

A. J. Thompson & Co., vs. J. B. Vandegriffe.—District Court.—Parish of St. Landry.—No. 7125.

Joseph Gibbs, vs. J. B. Vandegriffe.—District Court.—Parish of St. Landry.—No. 7126.

Posay vs. J. B. Vandegriffe.—District Court.—Parish of St. Landry.—No. 7129.

BY virtue of three writs of f. f. n., issued out of the District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, and to me directed, in the above entitled suits, will be exposed at public sale, for cash, at the Court House of this Parish on Saturday the 5th day of August next, commencing at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M., and continuing from day to day, if necessary, all the right, title, interest and demand of J. B. Vandegriffe, in and to the following described property, seized to satisfy said writs, to wit:

A certain negro woman, named Sealy, aged about 26 or 28 years, one lot of medical books, one lot of accounts, three blue blankets, one old horse cart.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, St. Landry, July 1st, 1854.

Public Sale.

Estate of Don Louis Clement fils, deceased.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be offered for sale, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned, administrator of said Estate, at the last residence of deceased, in Mermento's Bend, in this Parish, on

Tuesday, 25th day of July 1854,

the following described property, belonging to the Estate of the late Don Louis Clement fils, deceased, to wit:

One lot horned cattle, horse creatures, one lot of sheep, one lot of piglets, one ox cart, the buildings and improvements on a public land, household furniture, plantation tools, and good many other articles too numerous to mention.

Conditions:—Payable at one, two and three years credit, from the day of sale.

JULIEN LEGER, Administrator.

Opelousas, July 15th, 1854.

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

Great Reduction of Prices.

THE undersigned, desirous of closing their Summer business, now offer for sale their stock of goods at a great reduction of prices. 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 satisfaction, 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; or hand are the following:

French Merino Frocks, Paleotes and Sacks; Alpaca; Grass, Linen and Flannel; A beautiful assortment of Merinoes Yests, French Merino and Linen Drilling Pants.

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

GENIN & POIRET, Opelousas, June 16th, 1854.

GROCERIES! GROCERIES!

THE undersigned informs his friends and the public, in general, that he has just received by the last boats, a complete and well selected assortment of Family Groceries, which he offers for sale at as cheap as any store in the Parish.

C. STEEL, Opelousas, July 6th, 1854.

Mercantile Cards, &c.

J. REMY VIU,

Washington, (Louisiana.)

JUST from New Orleans, informs his friends and the public in general, that he has received a complete assortment of Summer Goods, for ladies and gentlemen, Barege, Jacquets, and Calicoes dresses, Silk, Drilling, Hats, and a large assortment of ready made clothing for gentlemen, plantation goods, Shoes, which he offers at reduced prices and to the satisfaction of those who will honor him of their confidence.—Also a fine assortment of Groceries, Crockery &c.

Beef Hides, Wool, Tallow and Wax are bought by the undersigned, at the highest prices.

J. REMY VIU, Washington, April 8th, 1854.

NEW STORE.

THE undersigned respectfully informs his numerous friends and the public, that he has just arrived from Orleans, and has opened his new Store, at the corner of Main and North streets, in Opelousas. He has on hand a complete and well selected Stock of fancy and fresh Dry Goods, such as Jaconats, Gingham, Silk, Bareges, Lastings, &c., ready made Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c., which he offers for sale at moderate prices.

STANISLAS GARRIGUES, Opelousas, May 27th, 1854.—1y.

DRUGS Wholesale AND Medicines. Retail.

S. D. ALLIS,

WASHINGTON, La.

KEEPS constantly on hand, as heretofore, a large and complete stock of PURE AND FRESH DRUGS AND MEDICINES, and other articles in his line.

Receiving the most of my supplies direct from New York, and the northern markets, I can recommend them equal to any purchased in the South, as my old customers can testify, and I will dispose of them on liberal terms, and at such prices as cannot fail to satisfy those who have been accustomed to purchase their medicines in New Orleans and elsewhere.

I have an old and experienced chemist employed, who attends all times to putting up Prescriptions. The public are respectfully invited to call and examine my stock and prices.

S. D. ALLIS, Washington, La., March 4th, 1854.

WAREHOUSE & GROCERY AT BARRIERS LANDING.

THE undersigned respectfully announces to his friends and the public in general, that he has leased, for a number of years, the Warehouse and Grocery Store, at Barri's Landing, where he will be ready to receive and forward with dispatch, all freights consigned to his care. He will also keep at the same old stand a Wholesale and Retail Grocery Store, for families. He claims a liberal share of public patronage.

L. A. DEBKIN, St. Landry, January 14th, 1854.—1y.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned having just arrived from New-Orleans, informs his friends and the public in general, that he has now on hand a full assortment of Dry Goods for the season.—Also, family Groceries, Hardware, Crockery-ware, Shoes, Boots, Jewelry, Clocks, Gold and Silver Watches, Carpenters and Cooper's tools, which he will sell low and on reasonable conditions. C. MEDICIS.

Opelousas, April 22d, 1854.

P. COLLINS.

MOUNDVILLE.

BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public, that he is now returned from New Orleans with a new supply of Stock of Summer Goods, consisting in part of:

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, in great variety and superior quality, French Muslins, of the newest style, Gentlemen's Summer Clothing, in large quantity, and great variety. Also Boots and Shoes, negro clothing, of all descriptions, single and double harness, bridles and bridl-mountings, Ladies and Gentlemen's saddles, Carpenters and Cooper's tools; also a general assortment of Plantation hardware. All of which will be sold at the lowest price possible, to suit the present hard times.

Moundville, May 20th, 1854.—3m.

JUST RECEIVED.—Sugar cured hams at 12 cents a pound. Shoulders at 8 cents, Saddle, Harness, &c., and for sale by C. MEDICIS.

Opelousas, 29th April 1854.

WINDOW GLASS.

50 BOXES assorted sizes, in fine order, just received direct from Cincinnati, per flat-boat.

Washington, La., March 4th, 1854.

Wanted, by the year, A negro man of middle age.—Apply at this Office.

FOR SALE.

A Plantation situated in Prairie Genots, about 10 miles North-West of Opelousas, 9 miles of Washington and 6 miles of Moundville, measuring about 640 arpents of land, all fit for cultivation, about 300 arpents of which is wood land. There is on the place, a good dwelling house, a cotton gin, negro cabins, cribs, &c.

This plantation can be bought on reasonable terms, together with 12 slaves, of both sexes and diverse ages.

For particulars, apply to the office of the Opelousas Courier, or to the premises.

JAMES H. THOMPSON, Opelousas, June 17th, 1854.—3m.

The New Orleans Steamship will please publish the above three months (weekly) in English, and send bill to J. M. T. for payment.

Professional Cards.

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

Attorneys at Law,

HAVING formed a co-partnership 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.

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, 1854.—1y.

JOHN F. MORCONE, WILLIAM MOUTON.