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Judicial Sales, &c.

Public Sale.

By the undersigned, a public auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be offered 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 this Parish, on

Tuesday, 20th February next, 1855, the following described property, belonging to the Estate in community between Sarah McDonald Kimball and her surviving husband, Edmund Johnson, to-wit:

ACERTAIN PLANTATION.

situated in the Parish of St. Landry, measuring four hundred acres (more or less), bounded on one side by land of Jeff. McCluskey and Culvert Quirk, on the other by J. Las-trapes' land, on the other by Lawrence T. Bushnell and on the other by Leandre Guillory, with all the Buildings and Improvements thereon.

13 SLAVES,

of both sexes and different ages.

Seventy head of gentle cattle, five pairs of work oxen, four mules, 6 work horses, one riding mule, one riding pony, one buggy horse, two ox carts, one buggy, one pair of new ox cart wheels, one horse cart, one lot of hogs, 6 old ploughs, one harrow, four new yokes, eight hundred barrels of corn, two fodder stocks, three thousand bundles of fodder (more or less), twelve hoes, eight axes, one lot of shovels, three grind stones, one lot of household furniture, one lot of kitchen utensils.

IN THE PARISH OF CALCASIEU: About seven hundred and forty-one head of horned cattle and about one hundred head of horse creatures.

Conditions.—All sums of \$50 and under, payable in all the month of April 1855, and all sums over \$50, payable in two equal instalments, the first in all the month of April 1855 and the second in all the month of April 1857. All sums not punctually paid at maturity to bear eight per cent interest per annum until paid; purchasers to furnish personal security in solido, to the satisfaction of the Administrator, the property to remain specially mortgaged in favor of the Estate until full payment of the principal and interest. All sums payable at the residence of Mr. Lestie Dupre, in this Parish.

ACHILLE DUPRE, Auctioneer. Opelousas, 20th January, 1855.

Public Sale.

Estate of Clarissa Bushnell, deceased.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be sold, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, through the ministry of a competent officer, at the residence of the undersigned, in Cataou, on

Saturday, 24th of February, next, the following described Slaves, belonging to the Succession of Charles Bushnell, deceased wife of the late Thomas Jefferson Johnson, to-wit:

A Negrowoman, named Nancy, aged about 33 years, with her children, to-wit:—Frank, aged about 12 years, Henderson, aged about 8 years and George, aged about one year.

Conditions.—The purchase money payable on the first day of April next, 1855; purchaser furnishing his note with good and sufficient security, in solido, to the satisfaction of the administrator, and said note bearing interest at 8 per cent per annum, from maturity until paid. And moreover, said slaves remaining specially mortgaged unto said Estate until full and entire payment of capital and interest.

LAWRENCE T. BUSHNELL, Administrator. Opelousas, January 20th, 1855.

J. V. Gourdain, Charles Kerr, **GOURDAIN & KERR,** COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 26, Conti street, NEW ORLEANS. 14th June 1854—1y.

Judicial Sales, &c.

Public Sale.

Estate of David Hudspeth, deceased.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be offered for sale, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, by a duly commissioned auctioneer, on the Plantation hereinafter described, on

Saturday, the 10th February, next, 1855, the following described property, belonging to the Estate of David Hudspeth, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, to-wit:—

A CERTAIN Tract of Land,

situated on Bayou Bouff, in the Parish of St. Landry, measuring three hundred and sixty superficial acres (more or less), bounded on the North by John D. Hudspeth's land, South by lands of Dr. Lewis A. Webb, West by Bayou Bouff and East by public lands, and the lands of Green Hudspeth, together with all the

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thereon erected, known as the residence of said David Hudspeth;

4 SLAVES,

of both sexes and different ages.

A lot of gentle horned cattle; a lot of horse creatures; one Buggy; Plantation implements; household furniture; kitchen utensils, &c.

Terms and Conditions.—All the personal property, to be sold at one year's credit, from day of sale, and the real estate, to be sold on a credit of one, two and three years, from said day of sale;—Purchasers furnishing their notes with good and sufficient security in solido, to the satisfaction of the administrator; all sums not punctually paid at maturity, to bear interest at 8 per cent per annum from time due, and moreover, the lands and slaves remaining specially mortgaged unto said Estate until full and entire payment of capital and interest.

JOHN LYONS, Administrator. Opelousas, January 6th, 1855.

SHERIFF'S SALE, STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Jeremiah Moore, District Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 7361.

BY virtue of an order of seizure and sale, issued in the above entitled suit, by the District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, and to me directed, will be exposed at public sale, for cash, at the Court House of this Parish, on Saturday, the 3d day of March, A. D., 1855, 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 James M. Moore, in and to the following described property, seized to satisfy said order, to-wit:

One Lot or Parcel of Land, situated in the Parish of St. Landry, on the East or left bank of the Bayou Courtaubeau, containing one hundred and sixty acres and forty-four hundredths of an acre, and also forty-six acres more or less, of a tract or parcel of land, being that portion lying on the left bank of the Bayou Courtaubeau, containing one hundred and twenty-four acres and forty-nine hundredths of an acre, with all the Buildings and Improvements thereon.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, St. Landry, January 27th, 1855.

SHERIFF'S SALE, STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Charles Melles, District Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 7360.

BY virtue of an order of seizure and sale, issued in the above entitled suit, by the District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, and to me directed, will be exposed at public sale, for cash, at the Court House of this Parish, on Saturday, the 3d day of March, A. D., 1855, 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 Charles Melles, in and to the following described property, seized to satisfy said order, to-wit:

A House and Lot of Ground, in the town of Washington, bounded on the North by the Parish of St. Landry, on the South by land of H. Graham, East by Bridge street, and West by Market street.

J. B. DAVID, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, St. Landry, January 27th, 1855.

PUBLIC SALE,

WILL be sold, by the undersigned auctioneer, at the residence of Michel Bihm, in this Parish, on

Wednesday, 28th, February next, the following property belonging to the Estate of the late Aurelia Lavergne, to-wit:

A mulatto man named Narcisse, aged about 25 years.

A negro girl (orphan) aged about 4 years.

1 horse, 2 cows and some household furniture.

Conditions.—One third payable in April 1855, one third in April 1857 and one third in April 1858, with security and mortgage on the slaves.

ULYSSE GABEREL, Auctioneer. Opelousas, 27th January 1855.

LIME: LIME!!

THE undersigned having bought stone for the fabrication of lime in Pine Prairie, informs the public that he has now on hand, 1,000 barrels of lime, equal in quality, if not superior, to the celebrated lime of Thomastown, which he will sell cheap, and that he will continue the trade on a large scale.

CHARLES LUTZ, Pine Prairie, January, 6th, 1855.

NOTICE. THE undersigned needing what may be due him, hereby requests those who are indebted to him, either by notes or otherwise, to come forward and pay without delay, if they wish to save costs.

Judicial Sales, &c.

Public Sale.

Estate of William Irwin, deceased.

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

Tuesday, 6th day of March next, 1855, the following property, belonging to the Estate of the late William Irwin, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, to-wit:

Lot of Ground,

situated in the town of Opelousas, measuring fifty-four feet, six inches, fronting on Bellvue street, and ninety-five feet, six inches, fronting on Court street, bounded on the East side by Rachel Gradening, on the West by Court street and on the depth by a lot of Thomas H. Lewis, and moreover the undivided half of all the

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thereon erected.

The undivided half of the Lot of GROUND,

situated in the town of Opelousas, No. 26, bounded on the South and East by lots formerly belonging to Miss Margerite Chretien, now to Mrs. Thompson & Miss Thompson, and on the West by Market street, together with the half of the

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thereon erected.

The Half of a Lot of GROUND,

situated in the town of Opelousas, now occupied by Jacob Anselm, bounded North by a street named, South by a lot belonging to Durocher, East by Court street, and West by the deceased property, together with the

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thereon erected.

ONE HALF LOT OF GROUND,

situated in the town of Opelousas, fronting on Court street and lying on the East side of deceased property.

One Branding Iron, figuring thus 4, with twenty-five head of Cattle, more or less, one lot of bar fixtures, one clock, one billiard table, balls and cues, thirteen arm chairs, one lot of common chairs, four round tables, one lot of common tables, one center table, one stove and pipes, one pool board, one side saddle, three bedsteads, one cooking stove and utensils, one safe, one lot of crockery ware, one large pot, one lot of lumber, two trunks, one lot of books, one double barreled shot gun, one pistol, five oil lamps, one writing desk, one lot of playing cards, five boxes of cue leathers, one pair of scales and weights, one barrel white sugar, one lot of wines, one lot of liquors, seven demijohns with their contents, twelve barrels with their contents, one cistern, one lot of doors and windows, one lot of empty bottles, two slates, one grind stone, five bottles absynth, three demijohns of liquors, one lot of benches, &c.

Terms and Conditions.—All the personal property payable cash, the undivided interests in the two houses and lots, payable in one and two years, from the first day of February 1855, that is to say, one half payable on the first day of February 1855 and the other half payable on the first day of February 1857, and that the other houses and lots, belonging to said Estate, to be sold on a credit of one and two years, from said first day of February 1855, that is to say, one half payable on the first day of February 1856 and the other half payable on the first day of February 1857.—Purchasers furnishing their notes with good and sufficient security in solido, to the satisfaction of the Executor, & all sums not punctually paid at maturity, to bear interest at eight per cent per annum, from time due until paid, and moreover the property remaining specially mortgaged unto said Estate, until full and entire payment of the capital and interest.

A. DEJEAN, Auctioneer. Opelousas, February 3d, 1855.

For Sale.

THE undersigned being obliged to quit all kind of business, on account of health, offers for sale, all his property, consisting in a Tan Yard, Dry Goods Store, and a house large enough for a boarding house, the whole in good order and in a most desirable situation in Ville Plate, for these various kinds of business. He offers for sale also large and small lots of ground, with or without lumber, the whole at good and advantageous conditions to purchasers.

E. DARDEAU, Ville Plate, Jan. 20th, 1855—5t.

MARK HOLLIER, PAINTER AND GLAZIER.

OFFERS his services to the public. All orders for work will be promptly attended to, and his prices will be moderate.

He will clean, rub and re-varnish old furniture and will, in fact, attend to all the various branches of his profession.

Residence.—In Opelousas.

Opelousas, January 6th, 1855.—1y.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of John Cook, deceased, will please come forward and settle as soon as possible, if they wish to save costs. And all those who have any claims against the said Estate of John Cook, will please come forward and collect the same.

MARY COOK, Administratrix. Opelousas, January 13th, 1855.

Ulysse Gaberel, Auctioneer and Collector for St. Landry.

Office in Opelousas. (Dec. 20—6m.

Judicial Sales, &c.

Public Sale.

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

THE public are hereby informed, that there will be sold at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned, Auctioneer, on the Plantation hereinafter described, in this Parish, on

Thursday, the 1st day of March next, the following described property, belonging to the Estate of Francois Lemelle Senior, and Marie Denise Donato, his wife, both deceased, to-wit:

THE PLANTATION,

last residence of said deceased, situated in the Parish of St. Landry, near the Town of Opelousas, measuring four arpents front on eighty arpents in depth bounded East by lands of Elisha Andrus, and Dr. George Hill, on the North by lands of Firmin Lemelle and Elisha Andrus, on the West by lands of Mrs. M. McInaire, and South by lands of Rigobert Lemelle, with all the

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thereon erected and thereto belonging.

14 SLAVES,

of both sexes and different ages.

One small lot of gentle horned cattle, 3 pair of work mules, 1000 bundles of fodder, 60 barrels of corn, 2 carts, Plantation implements, household furniture kitchen utensils, and many other articles too tedious to enumerate.

Terms and Conditions.—All sums of twenty five Dollars and under payable cash, on the day of sale, and all sums upwards of twenty-five dollars payable in one and two years credit from the day of sale. Purchasers furnishing good and approved personal security, to the satisfaction of the right, and moreover, the land and slaves remaining specially mortgaged unto said Estate until full and entire payment of capital and the interest that may accrue, at the rate of eight per cent per annum, from the time each installment become due until paid.

AUG. DEJEAN, Auctioneer. Opelousas, January 27th, 1855.

Public Sale.

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

THE public are hereby informed that there will be sold at public sale to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned Public Auctioneer, on the Plantation hereinafter described, on

Thursday, 1st, March next, 1855, the following property, belonging to the Estate of William Allen Jackson, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, to-wit:

THE PLANTATION, on which the deceased last resided, situated on Bayou Rouge, in the Parish of St. Landry, bounded on the North by said Bayou Rouge, on the South and East by lands belonging to Hugh L. Wilson, containing seventy-five acres, together with the

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thereon.

A NEGRO-WOMAN, named Judda, aged 27 years, and her two children, Esther, nine years and Letheanne, 6 months.

A NEGRO-MAN, named Matt, aged 46 years.

Five horses, 75 head of gentle horned cattle, 3 work oxen, 12 head of hogs, household furniture, kitchen utensils, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms and Conditions.—One tenth of the purchase money payable cash, on the day of sale, and the balance in three annual equal instalments, from the first day of March 1855, with 8 per cent interest per annum from maturity until paid. Purchasers furnishing personal security and the land and slaves remaining specially mortgaged unto said Estate, until full and entire payment of the capital and interest.

HENRY S. DUNBAR, Auctioneer. Opelousas, January 27th, 1855.

Hides! Hides!!

THE undersigned respectfully informs the planters and merchants of St. Landry and surrounding parishes, that he is now ready to purchase, always for cash, all hides that will be brought to his residence, in Opelousas, and that he will pay them as high as the usual market price.

J. L. COURET, Opelousas, Nov. 25th., 1854.—3m.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of John Cook, deceased, will please come forward and settle as soon as possible, if they wish to save costs. And all those who have any claims against the said Estate of John Cook, will please come forward and collect the same.

MARY COOK, Administratrix. Opelousas, January 13th, 1855.

Ulysse Gaberel, Auctioneer and Collector for St. Landry.

Office in Opelousas. (Dec. 20—6m.

Mercantile Cards, &c.

COMMERCIAL NOTICE.

THE undersigned have formed a partnership, since the 1st of July, 1854, under the name of SHWARTZ & KAUFMAN, for the sale of Dry Goods, Ready Made Clothing, Groceries, Hardware, &c. They have now on hand, the largest and finest stock of goods than any other country store, which they offer for sale at the lowest prices. They respectfully invite the public and their friends to come and see their goods and know their prices and convince themselves that it is impossible to have them as cheap elsewhere.

They have already on hand, for the winter season, the following articles, for plantation:—Russell Brogans, Lowell's Cotton, Korseys, Linsays, Blankets and Ready Made Clothing for Negroes, &c.

They solicit, as by the past, a continuation of the liberal patronage of the citizens of St. Landry, and they will make their best to satisfy them.

A SHWARTZ, S. KAUFMAN. Opelousas, July 8th, 1854.

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 Grocery, Hardware, Crockeryware, Shoes, Boots, Jewelry, Clocks, Gold and Silver Watches; Carpenters and Coopers tools, which he will sell low and on reasonable conditions. C. MEDICIS. Opelousas, April 22d, 1854.

GEORGE RAINER, Public Crier.

RESPECTFULLY offers his services to the Parish of St. Landry and surrounding Parishes. All orders can be addressed to him, at Vermillionville, Parish of Lafayette. Lafayette, November 4, 1854.—1y.

Washington FEMALE BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL.

AIDED by competent Female Teachers and under the superintendence of the undersigned, a School for the general education of Young Ladies will be opened in this town, on Monday, the 4th September next, in which will be taught all the branches requisite for a finished and accomplished education. The same unwearied attention that has hitherto marked his course, in his Boys School, will be continued in this Institution. Every attention, by himself and the ladies having direction in the school, will be paid to the manners and deportment of the pupil, and a thorough course of instruction will be pursued in every branch of study.

The Boys School, which will be entirely distinct and separate from that of the Young Ladies, will be opened on Monday, the 4th of September next.—He is happy to inform his patrons and the public that he will be aided in his Boys School, by Dr. Radcliffe, a distinguished graduate of Trinity, Indiana.

Instruction will be given in French and Spanish, by a Gentleman fully qualified to teach these languages. Terms made known on application to GEO. LUTHER. Washington, August 26th, 1854.—1f.

NEW FALL GOODS.

THE undersigned calls the attention of their friends and customers to the large assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting in Staple and fancy Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps; as also a great variety of other Goods.

A complete assortment of Clothing, for men and boys on hand; we flatter ourselves of having a well assorted stock, and will dispose of it on very reasonable terms and prices. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

GENIN & POIRET. Opelousas, December 2d, 1854.

St. Charles Hotel, OPPOSITE THE COLLEGE, GRAND COTEAU, (La.)

Kept by Mrs. N. GRIMMER, will be constantly open for the reception of travellers and of families. Grand CotEAU, August 5th, 1854.

ISIDORE HOLLIER, Painter and Glazier.

OFFERS his services to the public. All orders for work will be promptly attended to, and his prices will be moderate. He will clean, rub and re-varnish old furniture, and will, in fact, attend to all the various branches of his profession. Residence.—In Opelousas. Opelousas, June 17th, 1854.—1y.

NOTICE.

GIBBS & CLARK have received new Buggies, and will continue to receive Buggies and Light Carriages, which they will sell on very reasonable terms. Opelousas, February 4th, 1854.

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]

A. LAFOREST, A. DESMARRE, Commission Merchants.

No. 29, Bienville Street. NEW ORLEANS. Nov. 18th., 1854.—1y.

G. N. OLIVIER, P. S. WILTZ, Commission and Forwarding MERCHANTS,

CORNER BIENVILLE & LEVEE STREETS, New-Orleans. Oct. 7th, 1854.

WINDOW GLASS.

50 BOXES assorted sizes, in fine order, just received direct from Cincinnati, per flat boat. S. D. ALLIS. Washington, La., March 4th, 1854.

Drugs, Medicines, &c.

AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL

For the rapid Cure of COUGHS, COLDS, HOARSENESS, BRONCHITIS, WHOOPING-COUGH, CROUP, ASTHMA, AND CONSUMPTION.

Among the numerous discoveries Science has made in this generation to facilitate the business of life—its increase its enjoyment, and even prolong the term of human existence, none can be named of more real value to mankind, than this contribution of Chemistry to the Healing Art. A vast trial of its virtue throughout this broad country, has proven beyond a doubt, that no medicine or combination of medicines yet known, can so surely control and cure the numerous varieties of pulmonary disease which have hitherto swept from our midst thousands and thousands every year. Indeed, there is now abundant reason to believe a remedy has been found which can be relied on, to cure the most dangerous affections of the lungs. Our space here will not permit us to publish any proposition of the cure effected by its use, but we would present the following—

and refer further enquiry to my American Almanac, which the agent below named, will always be pleased to furnish free, wherein are full particulars, and indisputable proof of these statements.

Office of Transportation, Laurens K. R., S. C., Aug. 4, 1853.

J. C. AYER, Dear Sir,—My little son, four years old has just recovered from a severe attack of malignant Scarlet Fever, his throat was rotten, and every person that visited him, pronounced him a dead man. Having used your Cherry Pectoral in California, in the winter of 1850, for a severe attack of Bronchitis, with entire success, I was induced to try it on my little boy. I gave him a teaspoonful every three hours, commencing in the evening, and by ten o'clock at night, I found a decided change for the better, and after three days use, he was able to eat or drink without pain.

It is an interesting and named disease will save many a child from a premature grave, and relieve the anxiety of many a fond parent.—For all affections of the Throat and Lungs, I believe it the best medicine extant. A feeling of the deepest gratitude, prompts me in addressing you these lines,—but for your important discovery, my little boy would now have been in another world.

I am yours, with great respect, R. Rock Hill, (Senseneb Co.) N. J., July 21, 1852. Dr. J. C. AYER.—Since your medicine has become known here, it has a greater demand than any other cough remedy we have ever sold. It is spoken of in terms of unqualified praise by those who have used it, and I know of some cases where the best they can say of it, is not too much for the good it has done. I take pleasure