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Judicial Sales, &c.

PUBLIC SALE.

By the undersigned, Public Auctioneer.

WILL be sold at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned, a public auctioneer in and for the Parish of St. Landry, at the late residence of Simon Durio, on Plaquemine Ridge, in said Parish, on

Wednesday 18th April next, 1855,

the following property belonging to the estate of said Simon Durio, deceased, to-wit:

50 Arpents of Land,

(more or less) situated in the Parish of St. Landry, on Plaquemine Ridge, bounded East by the Estate, North by Dalcour Le-doux, West by Emerand Landry, and South by Pierre Moullé, together with

A SUGAR MILL,

ANOTHER TRACT OF LAND

situated in the same quarter, measuring fifty arpents (more or less) bounded West by Paul Fontenot, East by Charles Pitre, and South by Pierre Moullé.

About fifteen barrels of sugar.

Ten head of gentle horned cattle.

One male, two mares, two ox carts.

Conditions.—All sums of twenty dollars and under, payable in one year, and all sums upwards of twenty dollars, payable in one and two years from the day of sale. Purchasers furnishing good and approved personal security to the satisfaction of whom the right, and all sums not punctually paid at maturity to bear interest at 8 per cent per annum from time due. And moreover the lands remaining specially mortgaged unto the estate until full and entire payment of capital and interest.

SIMEON FONTENOT, Auctioneer.

Opeλουςas, 17th March 1855.

PUBLIC SALE.

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

There will be offered for sale, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, at the residence of John West, at Bayou Chicot, in this Parish, by a duly commissioned auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, on

Wednesday, 25th day of April next,

1855, the following described property, belonging to the Estate in community between John West and his children, and also the separate Estate of Mary Bandick, deceased wife of said John West, to-wit:

FOUR SLAVES,

of both sexes and different ages.

Three mares, one horse, one colt, one work ox, farming utensils, one lot hogs, household furniture and many other articles too long to enumerate.

Conditions.—The slaves payable on a credit of one and two years, from the day of sale; the personal property, all sums under ten dollars payable cash and all sums over ten dollars payable on a credit of one year, from the day of sale; purchasers to give their notes with good security, and the slaves to remain mortgaged until the full payment, of capital and interest, all sums not punctually paid at maturity to bear eight per cent interest per annum.

JOHN WEST, Tutor.

Opeλουςas, March 24th, 1855.

FOR SALE,

CYPRESS BARRELS for molasses, for sale by the undersigned, at Washington, at \$1.50, where planters will always find some, and where the same are made to order.

L. CHARLIE, Cooper.

Washington, Jan. 20, 1855.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the Estate of the late Maximilien Kennison, Senior, are invited to present them to the undersigned, administrator, at Washington, and all those indebted to said Estate are also invited to come and settle with him, the quickest possible, if they wish to save costs.

M. KENNISON, Junior, Administrator.

Washington, La., March 24th, 1855.

NOTICE.

ALL those indebted to the succession of Joseph Daigle, are informed that the undersigned, administrator, at Washington, La., who are authorized by the undersigned to receive and give receipts.

LOUIS CHAUDET, Administrator.

Opeλουςas, March 31st, 1855.

Judicial Sales, &c.

Positive Sale

OF LAND AND SLAVES.

At the request of the Hon. J. H. Overton, I will sell at public auction, to the highest and last bidder, on the 18th of April next, 1855, at the door of the Court House, in the Town of Opeλουςas, the following described property, to-wit:

A PLANTATION,

measuring 30 arpents front on Bayou Bouff, containing 2000 superficial arpents, with all the buildings and improvements thereon, consisting of a good dwelling house, sugar house, mill and steam engine, negro-cabins and other out houses.

500 arpents of land are under cultivation, 250 of which are now in cane.

72 SLAVES,

TO WIT:

17 men from 18 to 32 years of age,

2 do " 40 to 45 "

1 boy 15 years old,

17 women from 15 to 34 years of age,

3 do " 40 to 50 "

82 children from 11 years old, down to infancy.

These negroes were either born or have been raised upon the plantation now offered for sale, and which has been the property of the present proprietor for the last 25 years. They are known in the country as a faithful and efficient planting force, healthy and productive as shown by the number of children, and familiar with the cultivation of both cotton and cane—among them are a Blacksmith, Engineers, Carpenters, Sugar Boilers, Cooks, Washers and ironers.

50 head of work mules and horses;

Brood mares and colts.

200 head of sheep.

Cane wagons and carts.

Planting utensils of every description.

A lot of ground situated in the town of Opeλουςas at the corner of Landry and — streets, containing one half the square front, with the entire depth, with all the buildings and improvements thereon, the late residence of the present proprietor.

Also a tract of Wood Land, lying about two miles East of the town of Opeλουςas, containing 58 5/8-100 acres, bounded North by V. Bordelon, East and South by Prairie Basse Coule, being the same purchased from the Estate of George King, deceased.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

The movable property payable on the first day of March 1856.

The slaves payable one half on the 1st of March 1856, and the other half on the 1st of March 1857.

The land with the buildings and improvements thereon, payable in three equal annual instalments from the first of March 1855.

Purchasers giving their notes with personal security in solid to the satisfaction of the seller—payable at the Citizens Bank in New Orleans, or at the office of the Recorder of the Parish of St. Landry, at the option of the purchaser—bearing 5 per cent interest from day of sale, and 8 per cent from maturity if not punctually paid. The lands and slaves remaining specially mortgaged until full and entire payment of principal and interest.

A discount of 8 per cent will be made up on all each payment.

All sales to be completed within ten days from the date of adjudication or the property will be resold, for account and risk of the purchasers, at the Court House door, after one publication in one of the newspapers of the Parish of St. Landry.

No property will be delivered until the terms and conditions are completed with, and will be at the risk of the purchasers from the date of the adjudication.

Persons desiring to purchase any portion of the above described property, on the terms specified, or on different terms, will have an opportunity of doing so, at private sale, previous to the 10th of April, by applying to the seller Judge Overton, to Judge King residing on Bayou Bouff, or to the undersigned Auctioneer.

EVTE. DEBALLON, Auctioneer.

Opeλουςas, March 10th., 1855.

Public Sale.

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

There will be offered for sale, at public sale, the last and highest bidder, at the late residence of the late Baptiste Brunet, at Prairie Laurent, in this Parish, by the undersigned, a public auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, on

Tuesday, 1st day of May next,

1855; the following described property, belonging to the Estate of the late Baptiste Brunet, deceased, late of said Parish, to-wit:

THREE SLAVES,

of both sexes and different ages.

One American horse, two creole horses, one pair of work oxen, two ox carts one calash one grind stone, three harrows, five ploughs and harness, one whip saw, aratory utensils, one lot of iron, one lot of axes, one lot of carpenters' tools, one lot of fodder, one magazine, situated on the plantation, one loom, household furniture, one branding iron, kitchen utensils, &c., &c.

Terms and Conditions.—All sums of ten dollars and under, payable cash, all sums above ten dollars, payable in one and two years credit, from the day of sale, the slaves remaining specially mortgaged to said Estate until full and final payment, of the capital and interest, which may accrue thereon, at the rate of eight per cent per annum, from time due until paid. Purchasers furnishing their notes with good and sufficient personal security, to the satisfaction of the Administrator.

A. DEJEAN, Auctioneer.

Opeλουςas, March 31st, 1855.

Miscellaneous.

TO THE TAX PAYERS

OF THE PARISH OF ST. LANDRY.

By virtue of the power in me vested by Law, as Collector of the Parish Tax for the year 1854, of the Parish of St. Landry, I will proceed to the collection of said Tax, in conformity with the Law, on the following places, to-wit: the days below fixed, between ten o'clock in the morning and four in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the above tax from the tax payers of each Police Jury ward, to-wit:

At Gros Chevreuil 3d ward, at Michel Emonet on the 1st day of March next.

At Grand Coteau 4th ward, at Louis A. Patin on the 2d day of March next.

At Washington 2d ward, at the Drug Store of S. A. M. on the 3d day of March next.

At Plaquemine 5th ward, at the Drug Store of S. A. M. on the 10th day of March next.—At Quebe Tortue 6th ward, at Hippolyte C. Guidry on the 12th day of March next.

At Upper Plaquemine 7th ward, at Joseph E. Daigle, Dec., on the 9th day of March next.

At Plaquemine 8th ward, at the Drug Store of S. A. M. on the 10th day of March next.—At Quebe Tortue 6th ward, at Hippolyte C. Guidry on the 12th day of March next.

At Point aux Loups 7th ward, at Alexander Daigle, Dec., on the 13th day of March next.

At Faquetate 8th ward, at John H. McFee on the 14th day of March next.

At Chataigner 9th ward, at the store of Jean Pierre Lafleur on the 15th day of March next.—At Villa Platte 9th ward, at William Reed on the 15th day of March next.

At Bayou Chicot 10th ward, at the former store of Akenhead & Patton on the 17th day of March next.

At Bayou Bouff 11th ward, at Thomas McCarty on the 21st day of March next. At Montville 12th ward, at Peter Collins on the 22d day of March next.

At Old Grand Prairie 11th ward, at Philippe Stages on the 23d day of March next.

At Prairie Manouch 16th ward, at Joseph Landrean on the 24th day of March next.

At Bayou Waksha 14th ward, at my residence on the 26th day of March next.

At Bellevue 8th ward, at John F. Richard on the 27th day of March next.

At the Mornette 9th ward, at John Wright, on the 5th day of April next.

At Opeλουςas 1st ward, at the office of F. & E. N. Cullon on the 7th day of April next.

At the Mornette 9th ward, at the office of F. & E. N. Cullon on the 9th day of April next, and will be found there every day for thirty consecutive days, thereafter, Sundays excepted.

At Prairie Platte 17th ward, at the store of Napoleon Amropon, on the 29th day of March next.

At Bayou Rouge 15th ward, at the store of Levi & Co., on the 21st day of March next.

At the Atchafalaya River 13th ward, at John J. Morgan, on the 24th day of April next.

At the Mornette 9th ward, at John Wright, on the 5th day of April next.

At Opeλουςas 1st ward, at the office of F. & E. N. Cullon on the 7th day of April next.

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ELBERT GANTT, Collector.

Opeλουςas, January 27th., 1855.

OPELOUSAS FEMALE ACADEMY

MR. & MRS. HOY, with the assistance of Miss HOY and MRS. DE ST. ANGE, will open on the 12th of March, in the Town of Opeλουςas, a First Class School, where the practical as well as the ornamental branches of a female education, will be taught. They are prepared to give thorough instruction in the English, French, German and Italian Languages, also Music Lessons on the Piano and Guitar, Drawing, Painting, Transcribing, French Embroidery in Silk, Chenille and Worsted plain Needle Work, Calisthenics, Deportment, Dancing, Equestrian. The Principal pupils with the assistance of able Teachers, and the advantage pupils will desire, from constant personal care, to secure the patronage of the inhabitants of Opeλουςas and vicinity.

Terms per session of twenty-one weeks, payable one half in advance, the balance on the middle of the session.

Tuition in Primary Department, \$ 20 00

do do advanced do 25 00

French, Italian, German, each, 15 00

Instruction on the Piano, 20 00

do do Guitar, 15 00

Drawing, 15 00

Painting, 20 00

French Embroidery in Silk Chenille and Worsted, 10 00

Calisthenics Department, Dancing, 12 00

Equestrian, per lesson, 1 00

Boarding, Washing, Fuel and Lights, 6 00

Mine, no St. Aves having entered into a prior engagement at Mrs. Henry's School in Natchez, will not be able for the present to join the Academy. Opeλουςas, March 10th., 1855.

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, Dublin.

Instruction will be given in French and Spanish, by a Gentleman fully qualified to teach these languages.

Terms made known on application to

Washington, August 20th, 1854.—d.

NEW ORLEANS, OPELOUSAS, WASHINGTON AND BAYOU BOUFF PACKET.

The elegant and fast running steamer

SYDONIA,

GUARANTEED TO SAIL, Master.

BULL expressly for this trade, will henceforth fly as a regular packet between Opeλουςas, Washington, Bayou Bouff and New Orleans. This boat is safe, comfortable, has a runner, admirably built and is of light draft. The officers will use all their exertions to satisfy those who will encourage them. For further information, apply on board. February 10th., 1855.

NEW-ORLEANS AND WASHINGTON PACKET.

The steamer Red River, R. J. Dorsey, Master.—This steamer, built, popular and fast running steamer, having undergone thorough repairs and been put in fine order, standing now A. No. 1 in the Insurance Office, resumes her place as regular between the Opeλουςas and New-Orleans trade, under the command of Capt. Dorsey.

The Red River will continue in the trade throughout the season, and will convey freight and passengers at the customary rates.

She will also be succeeded by a low water boat which is about being contracted, for to continue in the trade throughout the year. Shippers may therefore rely upon being accommodated in low as well as high water.

For freight or passage, having accommodations equal to any boat in the trade apply on board or to

ANDERSON & THOMPSON, April 7th, Washington.

SHINGLES and Bagging & Bale Rope,

just received and for sale by

August 5, 1854.— C. MEDICIE.

Professional Cards.

JOHN F. MORROGH. WILLIAM MOUTON.

Morrogh & Mouton,

Attorneys at Law,

WILL punctually attend to all business entrusted to them, in the different Courts of the Fifteenth Judicial District. Office in Washington, La. March 3d., 1855.—ly.

ALBERT DEJEAN,

Attorney at Law.

WILL practice in the different Courts of the Fifteenth Judicial District. Office in Opeλουςas. June 24th, 1854.—ly.

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 Opeλουςas. February 23d, 1855.—ly.

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. [April 8th, 1855. Office at Opeλουςas.]

THEODOSE S. ROBIN,

Attorney at Law and Justice of the Peace.

WILL punctually attend to all business entrusted to his care, as Lawyer, in the 14th and 15th Judicial Districts; and as Justice of the Peace, in the Parish of St. Landry. Office—in Opeλουςas. February 5d, 1855.—ly.

William Mouton,

Notary Public,

IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF ST. LANDRY. Office in Washington, La. March 3d., 1855.—ly.

J. H. Sandoz, Notary Public.

Office at the Court-House, Opeλουςas.

Ulyse Gaberel,

Auctioneer and Collector for St. Landry

Office in Opeλουςas. [Dec. 30—6m.]

GEORGE RAINER, Public Crier.

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

HILAIRE DESESSARTS,

Auctioneer, Crier and Collector.

For the Parish of St. Landry.

RESPECTFULLY offers his services to his friends and the public, in Opeλουςas. Opeλουςas, June 17th, 1854.—ly.

Wm. A. MORIARTY, Public Crier.

RESPECTFULLY offers his services to the citizens of St. Landry and surrounding Parishes. All orders can be left to him, in Opeλουςas, or to Sandoz & Morrier, Opeλουςas Office. Opeλουςas, November 20th, 1854.—ly.

COLLECTION.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the people of St. Landry, that he will collect all accounts confided to his care, with exactness and promptness, and in order to facilitate all those against whom he could have any accounts, he will purchase from them the following products:—Cotton, Wool, Beef Hides and Corn, at the usual price. He will be very liberal for his collection. J. L. COURT. Opeλουςas, 17th February 1855.—3m

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, Opeλουςas. [June 3, 1854—ly]

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 anew and re-varnish old furnitures, and will, in fact, attend to all the various branches of his profession.

Residence—in Opeλουςas. Opeλουςas, June 17th, 1854.—ly.

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 anew and re-varnish old furnitures, and will, in fact, attend to all the various branches of his profession.

Residence—in Opeλουςas. Opeλουςas, January 6th, 1855.—ly.

GRAOUILLA,

MARBLE CUTTER.

ST. MARTINSVILLE, LA.

HAS