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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.—1y.

Henry L. Garland. Louis Lastrapes

**Garland & Lastrapes,**
**ATTORNEYS AT LAW.**

WILL exercise their profession in the different Courts of the 15th Judicial District. Their office is in Opelousas.
February 23d, 1855—1y.

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, 1855.

**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 First District, of the Parish of St. Landry.
Office.—in Opelousas.
Opelousas, February 3d, 1855.—1y.

**William Mouton,**
***Notary Public,***
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF ST. LANDRY.
Office in Washington, La.
March 3d., 1855.—1y.

**L. L. Boutte, Public Crier,**

OFFERS his services to the Administrators of Estates, the Auctioneers and the public of this Parish. His charges will be very moderate.
☞ Orders can be left at this office.
Office at Opelousas. [31 March. 1y

**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 Opelousas.
Opelousas, January 6th, 1855.—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 streets, Opelousas. [June 9th, 1855.—1y.

**VICTOR DANEL**
***Surveyor.***

OFFERS his services to the citizens of St. Landry and neighboring parishes. Orders can be left at the store of Messrs. Ney & Estorge, in Opelousas, or to him, at Barré's Landing, and will be promptly attended to.
Barré's Landing, Sept 29th., 1855.—1y.

**Pierre Gosselin,**
***Joiner and Cart-Wright.***

OFFERS his services to the citizens of the Parish of St. Landry. His charges will be moderate, for CASH *only*.
Opelousas, June 2d, 1855.—1y.

**LOUIS VATTER,**
Cabinet-maker, and Joiner,

RESPECTFULLY offers his services to the public of the Parish of St. Landry. His charges will be very moderate. Apply to Mr. Pefferkorn, in Opelousas, or at the office of this paper.
☞ He repairs old furniture.
Opelousas, January 27th., 1855.—1y.

DENTIST.

DR. PILATE offers his services as dentist to the public of St. Landry. All his works in plugging and inserting of artificial teeth are warranted and performed by the latest and most approved process.
Office, at the late residence of Miss Marguerite Carlton, in Opelousas.
N. B.—Dr. Pilate will go wherever he may be professionally called, but patients will find a great advantage in calling themselves at his office.
Opelousas, April 28th., 1855.—1y.

**EUGENE BERCIER,**
**Collector for the Parish of St. Landry.**

*Office.*—Opposite the Court House, in the one occupied by Messrs. Martel & Hardy, lawyers.
Opelousas, August 18th., 1855.

A. LAFOREST. A. DESMARE.

**LAFOREST & DESMARE,**
**Commission Merchants.**
**No. 29, Bienville Street.**
NEW ORLEANS.
August 18th., 1855.

**Good Bargain.**

FOR SALE, a likely house servant, about 34 years of age, with her son, aged about 7 years. Apply to
E. BERCIER.
Opelousas, Sept. 1st., 1855.

## Mercantile Cards, &c.

**NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!**
***At Shwartz & Kaufman.***

JUST received, a new and complete stock of Fall and Winter Goods, of the latest and most fashionable style.

Our stock of Ladies' Dress Goods will be found very large and desirable, comprising every variety of

Rich black and colored Dress Silks;
Rich printed plain and plaid Cashemeres;
Rich Musselines de laine and Challies;
Bombazine, Merinos, Alpacas, &c., &c.;
French and English Calicos;
Printed plaid and solid colour Barèges;
Rich Woolen and Cotton Damask;
Curtain Calicos, printed in solid colours;
French and Irish Damask table clothes & napkins;
Shirting linen of all qualities;
Sheeting and pillow Case linen;
Jaconets, Mull and Swiss Musslines;
Plain, stamped & embroidered L C Handkerchiefs;
Plain and fancy Ribbons, (latest style);
English, French and German Hosery of every style and qualities;
Flannell of all descriptions and qualities;
French, English and American Blankets;
Casimire, Satinetts and Tweeds;
Cottonade, Dennims, Checks and Stripes;
Kerseys, Lindsays and Lowells, &c., &c.

Also an extensive Stock of Gentlemen Clothing, comprising:—
The latest style of Frock and Dress Coats;
Office and Business Coats;
Overcoats, Talmas and Cloaks;
Beaver, Paltots and Oversacks;
Fancy Casimere Pants;
Black and colored Doeskin Pants;
Black Silk, Satin and Casimere Vests;
Black Velvet Plush and Cloth Vests;
Shirts and under garments of all descriptions;
Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes;
Also a large assortment of Youth & Boys Clothing;
Hardware, Saddlery, Perfumery, &c., &c.

—All of which have been carefully and skillfully selected and will be sold on most reasonable terms. Our friends and the public are respectfully invited to give us a call and examine for themselves.

☞ Cash advances on Sugar, Cotton and Molasses consigned to J. B. Bellocq, & Co., New-Orleans.
Opelousas, November 17th, 1855.

**FASHIONABLE STORE!**

THE undersigned just from New Orleans, offers for sale, at reasonable prices, his splendid stock of Fashionable Ready made clothings for summer, pantaloon stuffs, paletots, vests, &c., new goods for ladies, muslins, jaconets, barèges, tissue silks, &c., a fine assortment of broidery, flounced dresses and others, silk and coarse hats, shoes, boots, for gentlemen, ladies and children, hardware, crockeryware, and a complete assortment of coarse and fine calicoes, a fine assortment of groceries and perfumeries.

Call and examine before going elsewhere.
S. GARRIGUES.
Opelousas, April 28th, 1855.

**NEW GOODS!**

THE undersigned has just returned from New Orleans, with a complete assortment of Spring Goods, such as:—Jaconats, Bareges, Embroidered and plain Swiss Muslins, also a fine assortment of English and French Embroideries, an assortment of Ribbons of all quality, a great assortment of men's Ready made Clothings; the whole very well selected and in the latest style, Straw and Panama Hats, which he offers for sale at moderate prices. F. HALFF.
Grand Coteau, April 21st., 1855.—tf.

CHEAP
Ladies and Children's Shoe Store.

MRS. A. MILLSPAUGH has now on hand an assortment of Ladies and Children's Shoes, of every fashion and quality, consisting of Garters, Booties, Buskins' Ties, White Kid and Satin, Boots and Slippers, Slippers of French and English Kid, Toilet Slippers. Also an assortment of Ladies Corsetts, Hyde and Goodrich's Needles; Perfumery, Toilet Articles; Fancy Stationary and Confectionary; Music for Guitar and Piano; Guitar and Piano Strings.
Washington, October 13th, 1855.

**MILLSPAUGH'S**
BOOKS. POST-OFFICE. STATIONARY.
WASHINGTON, LA.

HAS now on hand and is constantly receiving additions to his Stock of Books and Stationary, which he offers at New-Orleans prices,—consisting of full and half Bound Blanks, Books of every descriptions, and every article usually found in a Stationary Store. The subscriber is prepared to fill orders at the shortest notice for Books of Standard Literature, elegantly bound and illustrated Works, cheap Publications, Magazines, Newspapers, School Books, (both french and english).

☞ School Stationary, &c., &c., &c., just received:—English Woman in Prussia, Bancroft's Miscellaneous Essays, Harpes Story Books, The Watchman, Fudge Doings, Constance Herbert, Country Neighborhood, Confessions of a Pretty Woman, The Jealous Wife, Arthurs Series of Tales, Fanny Ferns Works, Kerwins Letters to Bishop Hughes, Dodd Lectures on Electrical Psychology, Memoirs of Countess Blenington, Memoirs of Sydney Smith, Benton 30 years in U. S. Senate, vol. 1; Offluk Cotton and Sugar Plantation Register, &c., &c., &c.
Washington, La., October 13th, 1855.

**Champagne! Champagne!!**

**100** Baskets of Champagne, direct from Ai, just received and for sale by
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, August 11th, 1855.

**20,000** Eight Feet Pickets and 80,000 Shingles for sale at their store, in Plaquemine Brulée, by
CLARK, HAYS & Co.
St. Landry, November 10th, 1855.—2m.

**40** BALES OF HAY, for sale, cheap for cash, by
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, June 23d 1855.

**40** SACKS OF BLACK OATS, For sale by
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, La., Oct., 13th, 1855.

**P. COLLINS, Moundville.**

BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public that he has just returned from the city, with a full assortment of Fancy and Domestic Staple Dry Goods, of the newest style and paterns. A great variety of Plantation Goods, negro blankets, Kerseys, Linseys, &c., &c. A general stock of plantation medicines of the best quality. Also a large stock of Groceries, Coffee, Flour, Bacon, Salt, Brandy, Whiskey, &c., &c.
P. C. is agent for Jacob's Cordial.
☞ P. Collins will make cash advances on Cotton, Sugar and Molasses, consigned to Messrs. Miller & Forester, Commission Merchants, New Orleans.
Moundville, November 24th, 1855.

## Mercantile Cards, &c.

**GROCERIES.**

A FINE Assortment of Family Groceries—*Wines, Brandies, Whiskey,* of different qualities; *Beer, Scotch Ale, Porter;—Corn, Oats, Cow-Peas, &c.,* cheap for cash.
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, June 9th, 1855.

**THE GEM**
**Fancy & Family Grocery Store,**
No. 23 BARONNE STREET.—NEW ORLEANS,
**E. L. BERCIER, Agent.**
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
**CHOICE GROCERIES, WINES AND LIQUORS,**

Champagne of the best brands in quarts and pints; other fine wines, Superior Old Brandy and other liquors. Superfine Cordials, and a variety of fancy articles of the very best qualities always on hand, at low prices. [March 17th 1855.

**TO PLANTERS.**

THE undersigned is now ready to buy all the WOOL and HIDES which will be brought to him at his Store, in Grand Coteau, and will pay the highest prices.
F. HALFF.
Grand Coteau, La., May 12th, 1855.

**NOTICE.**

THE public is informed that the death of Mr. J. B. Bellocq will cause no change in the commercial house of J. B. Bellocq & Co., and in conformity to our act of partnership, we will continue the business of said house, under the same social name of J. B. Bellocq & Co.
J. B. BELLOCQ & Co.
J. B. DERBES,
PIERRE ROY, } Surviving Partners.
A. P. NOBLOM.
New Orleans, Oct. 6th., 1855.—3m.

**F. A. REER'S BAKERY,**
*Corner of Main & Vine sts.—Opelousas*

HE is ready to receive orders for Bread, Biscuits, Cakes, sweet Cakes, &c., in any quantity and at the shortest notice, for Balls, Weddings, Parties, &c., at reasonable prices.
Opelousas, November 17th, 1855.

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

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

**70** SACKS OF WHEAT BRAN, For sale by
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, La., Oct., 13th, 1855.

**150** SACKS SALT, just received and for sale by
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, La., Oct. 13th, 1855.

**NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!**

THE undersigned have just opened a large assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting of Dry Goods, Clothings, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Hardware, Crockery, Saddlery, Groceries &c.
The attention of Ladies is called to their extensive and well assorted Stock of fine goods, such as Cashmeres, Muslin de Laine, Silks, Cloth of all colors, Embroideries, Laces, Gloves, Velvet and Plush trimmings, &c., all of which they offer on liberal terms and moderate prices.
GENIN, POIRET & Co.
Opelousas, November 17th, 1855.

**CHEAP GOODS, CHEAP GOODS!**

THE undersigned being about closing his commercial business at the end of December, announces to the public that he will sell all his goods at reduced prices; they consist particularly in Lowell Cotton, Kerseys, shoes, and a quantity of other merchandize suitable for families and plantations.
He also offers for sale at private sale, his landed property situated in Washington.
J. REMI VIOU.
Washington, 17 Nov., 1855. 50

**Wool and 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 Wool and Hides that will be brought to his residence, in Opelousas, and that he will pay them as high as the usual market prices.
J. L. COURET.
Opelousas, November 10th, 1855.

**ALPHONSE DEBAILLON,**
***Public Auctioneer,***

IN and for the Parish of St. Landry. Orders left at the office of the *Courier* will receive prompt attention. [October 6th., 1855.

**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 furniture, and will in fact, attend to all the various branches of his profession.
*Residence*:—In Opelousas.
Opelousas, November 10th, 1855.

**For Sale.**

THE house and lot occupied by Mr. Ayrivié forming the corner of Market and Bellevue streets, together with a lot of household furniture, kitchen utensils, a lot of Groceries, a lot of Books and good many other articles too numerous to detail. Apply for particulars to
E. BERCIER.
Opelousas, Sept. 22d., 1855.

**FOR SALE.**

A large number of Desks, benches, bedsteads, &c., for a school. Apply at the office of this paper.
Opelousas, December 23d., 1854.

***STRAYED.***

FROM the plantation of Mrs. Edmond Estillet, on the 4th inst., a large dark bay bobtail horse, aged about 7 years, has a scar on the left hind leg, caused by the trace.
The person who will take back said horse to Mrs. Estillet's will receive a reward of $20.
J. B. PRICE & Co.,
*U. S. Mail Contractors.*
Opelousas, August 11th., 1855.

## Miscellaneous.

**Helmbold's Genuine Preparations.**

HELMBOLD'S HIGHLY CONCENTRATED
COMPOUND FLUID EXTRACT BUCHU,
*For diseases of the bladder and kidneys, secret diseases, strictures, weaknesses, and all diseases of the sexual Organs, whether in Male or Female, from whatever cause they may have originated, and no matter of how long standing.*

If you have contracted the terrible disease which, when once seated in the system; will surely go down from one generation to another, undermining the constitution and sapping the very vital fluids of life, do not trust yourself in the hands of Quacks, who start up every day in a city like this, and fill the papers with glaring falsehoods, too well calculated to deceive the young, and those not acquainted with their tricks. You cannot be too careful in the selection of a remedy in these cases

The Fluid Extract Buchu has been pronounced by eminent physicians the greatest remedy ever known. It is a medicine perfectly pleasant in its taste, and very innocent in its action, and yet so thorough that it annihilates every particle of rank and poisonous virus of this dreadful disease; and, unlike other remedies, does not dry up the disease in the blood.

Constitutional Debility, brought on by self-abuse, a most terrible disease, which has brought thousands of the human race to untimely graves, thus blasting the brilliant hopes of parents, and blighting in the bud the glorious ambition of many a noble youth, can be cured by this Infallible Remedy. And as a medicine which must benefit everybody, from the simply delicate to the confined despairing invalid, no equal is to be found acting both as a Cure and preventive

HELMBOLD'S HIGHLY CONCENTRATED
COMPOUND FLUID EXTRACT SARSAPARILLA,
*For Purifying the Blood, removing all diseases arising from excess of Mercury, exposure and imprudence in life, chronic constitutional disease, arising from an impure state of the Blood, and the only reliable and effectual known remedy for the cure of Scrofula, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Ulcerations of the Throat and Legs, Pains and Swellings of the Bones, Tetter, Pimples on the Face, and all Scaly Eruptions of the Skin.*

This article is now prescribed by some of the most distinguished physicians in the country, and has proved more efficient in practice than any preparation of Sarsaparilla yet offered to the public. Several cases of secondary Syphilis, Mercurial and Scrofulous diseases have entirely recovered in the incurable wards of our Public Institutions which had for many years resisted every mode of treatment that could be devised. These cases furnish striking examples of the salutary effects of this medicine in arresting some of the most inveterate diseases, after the glands were destroyed, and the bones already affected.

NOTICE.—Letters from responsible Physicians and Professors of several Medical Colleges, and certificates of cures from patients will be found accompanying both Preparations.

PRICES.—Fluid Extract of Buchu, $1 per bottle, or 6 bottles for $5. Fluid Extract of Sarsaparilla, $1 per bottle, or 6 bottles for $5, equal in strength to one gallon of Syrup of Sarsaparilla.

Prepared and sold by H. T. HELMBOLD, Chemist, 263 Chestnut Street, near the Girard House, Philadelphia.

To be had of John Posey, at Opelousas.

*All letters directed to the Proprietor or Agent receive immediate attention.*

August 25th., 1855.—1y.

**OPELOUSAS FEMALE ACADEMY**

MR. & MRS. HOY, with the assistance of Miss HOY and MME. DE ST. ANGE, will open on the 12th of March, in the Town of Opelousas, 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, Transfering, French Embroidery in Silk Chenille and Worsted plain Needle Work, Calesthenics, Deportment, Dancing, Equitation. The Principal hopes with the assistance of able Teachers, and the advantage pupils will desire, from constant personal care, to secure the patronage of the inhabitants of Opelousas and vicinity.

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

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| Tuition in Primary Department, | $ 20 00 |
| do advanced do | 25 00 |
| French, Italian, German, each, | 15 00 |
| Instruction on the Piano, | 30 00 |
| do do Guitar, | 30 00 |
| Drawing, | 15 00 |
| Painting, | 20 00 |
| French Embroidery in Silk Chenille and Worted, | 10 00 |
| Calesthenics Deportment, Dancing, | 12 00 |
| Equitation, per lesson, | 1 00 |
| Boarding, Washing, Fuel and Lights, | 60 00 |

MME. DE ST. ANGE having entered into a prior engagement at Mrs. Henry's School in Natchez, will not be able for the present to join the School.
Opelousas, March 10th. 1855.

**MILLINERY & DRESS MAKER.**

MRS. RICHE, living lately at Mrs. Labiche, has the honor to inform the ladies of Opelousas and vicinity, that she has made up her mind to establish herself permanently in this town. All orders sent to her for ladies toilette, such as bonnets, dresses, cloaks, Millineries, &c., will be punctually attended to.

She will have always on hand an assortment of goods, consisting in ribbons, flowers, laces, embroideries, &c. The latest fashions from Paris will be received and executed by her.

Her new domicil is on Main street, in the house lately occupied by Dr. Salles and neighbor to Mr. Pasquier's store.
Opelousas, Sept. 1st, 1855.—5m.

TAKEN UP during the present Spring, upon the plantation of Judge Overton, and now in his possession, near Opelousas, a bright bay Horse, about 15½ hands high, three white feet, no brands perceivable.
By proving property and paying charges, the horse may be reclaimed.
Opelousas, May 12th, 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.

**Public Sale.**

WILL be sold, at public sale, by a competent auctioneer, on *Monday, 31st of December*, 1855, EIGHT NEGROES, belonging to the Estate of Mariah Gardiner, and also the PLANTATION, on which the undersigned resides, in community between the undersigned and his children. The sale to take place on the premises.
The conditions will be announced on the day of sale. CHARLES B. SMITH.
Grand Coteau, December 1st, 1855.

## Miscellaneous.

**State of Louisiana.**

*DISTRICT COURT,* } No. 7596.
*Parish of St. Landry,* }
*Esate of Sévérin Mattéo and Marie Josette Ramona, his wife, both deceased.*

ANTOINE ST. ANDRE, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of the late Sévérin Mattéo and Marie Josette Ramona, his wife, both deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, having filed a Tableau of Distribution, Partition and final settlement of said Estate, accompanied by a petition, praying that the same may be homologated and that he be authorized to pay according to said Tableau;—And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated 23rd Nov. 1855.

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 homologated, the Administrator authorized to pay in conformity therewith, that he be discharged from all further liabilities as such, and his bond cancelled.
A. GARRIGUES, *Clerk.*
Opelousas, November 24th, 1855.

OPELOUSAS RAIL-ROAD.
*Steamer Southern Star.*
N. Orleans to Franklin.—Through by daylight,

THE elegant and swift low pressure steamer SOUTHERN STAR, will commence running from the terminus of the Opelousas Rail-Road, Tigerville, to Franklin, on or about the 15th October, for the transportation of passengers and light freight only, making daily trips in connection with the passenger trains.
J. E. CALDWELL & Co.,
28 Bank Place.
October 20th 1855.—tf.

**CRAQUILLA,**
**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, January 6th, 1855.—1y.

**FOR SALE.**

A *SAW-MILL*, situated on Bayou Giromon; well established with dwelling and out houses, together with 800 acres of fine cypress land, on which there is 2,000 logs ready to float.—Long terms.
Also a fine residence in the centre of the town of Grand Coteau,— dwelling and 5 out houses, cisterns, &c., &c. For particulars, at very accomodating terms, apply to
E. BERCIER.
Opelousas, September 22d, 1855.

**NEW WAREHOUSE.**

THE undersigned having formed a partnership for the carrying on of the Warehouse situated in the Town of Washington, formerly known as Anderson & Thompson, for the purpose of receiving and forwarding freight and merchandize, will faithfully attend to all business which may be entrusted to them by their friends and the public in general. J. B. A. FONTENOT.
JOHN LYONS.
Washington, La. Nov. 24, 1855. 51tf.

**PROSPECTUS:**
**The Great Southern Weekly!**
**THE SPECTATOR,**
*WASHINGTON, D. C.*

AUG. F. HARVEY, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

THE SECOND VOLUME OF THE SPECTATOR will be commenced on the 8th of December, 1855, with an enlarged corps of original contributors, embracing some of the best and most popular talent in America.

The general character and objects of the paper will remain the same as heretofore, to wit: the furnishing a weekly dish of belles lettres, scientific and miscellaneous intelligence; summaries of financial, Congressional and Government Departmental news, notices of new books, inventions and discoveries in art and science, moral and useful essays, articles on agriculture, business and domestic economy, &c., &c., making the paper a welcome visitor to every family circle, and particularly acceptable to Southern readers generally.

The Spectator is printed on a double royal sheet of good paper, with new type and in the quarto form, making it convenient for binding and preservation. It is published every Saturday, and furnished to subscribers by mail at the following rates—payable in advance.

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| One copy one year, | $ 2,00 |
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Bank notes of the denomination of $5 or upward and current in any part of the United States received in payment. Small sums must be remitted in gold dollars, or postage stamps.
December 15, 1855.—

**For Sale.**

A choice house servant, aged 28 years, a good cook and very good washer. For particulars, apply to E. Bercier, in Opelousas, or to J. B. Pollingue, in Grand Coteau.
Opelousas, Sept. 22d., 1855.

**NOTICE.**

AUGUSTIN JACQUOT FONTENOT of the Parish of St. Landry, having applied by his petition, for the appointment of Administrator of the Estate of Hiraine Chapman, his deceased wife, 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 date of this notice.
AUG. DEJEAN, *Dep. Clerk.*
Opelousas, December 15th, 1855.

**Jean Medicis,**
*BRICK-LAYER & PLASTERER,*

HAVING established himself permanently in Opelousas, respectfully offers his services to the inhabitants of Opelousas and the Parish generally.
His prices will be moderate.
Apply at the store of Mrs. Widow C. Medicis, in Opelousas.
December 15th, 1855. 3m.

## Judicial Sales, &c.

**PUBLIC SALE.**
Estate of Jacques Lastrapes, dec'd.

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 last residence of the late Jacques Lastrapes, deceased, on
Wednesday, 2d January next, 1856,
the following described property, belonging to the estate of said Jacques Lastrapes, dec'd, late of the Parish of St. Landry, to-wit:

**A TRACT OF LAND,**

situated in Prairie Plaisance, in the Parish of St. Landry, bounded South by property belonging to the minor children of said Jacques Lastrapes, and North by land formerly belonging to André Lastrapes, measuring two arpents and one-ninth front by forty arpents in depth.

**Three Lots of Ground,**

situated in Lastrapes' Addition to the Town of Opelousas, being the Lots Nos. Six, Sixty-five and Seventy-nine.

**Three Slaves,**
Harry, Eliza and Madeleine.
*Conditions*:—Cash.
A. DEJEAN, *Auctioneer.*
Opelousas 1st December 1855.

**And on the same day and place,**

By virtue of an order from the District Court in and for the Parish of St. Landry, there will also be sold, through the ministry of the same Auctioneer, the following described property, belonging to André, Fanelie, Corine and Léonce Lastrapes, minor children of Jacques Lastrapes and Félonise Poiret, his wife, both deceased, to-wit:

**THE PLANTATION**

upon which said Jacques Lastrapes last resided, situated in Prairie Plaisance, in the Parish of St. Landry, distant about nine miles from the Town of Opelousas, consisting of two tracts of land; one lying on the South side of Bayou formerly known as Têche, and now as Bayou Grand Louis, bounded on one side by lands of François Poiret and on the other by the land above described belonging to said Jacques Lastrapes, measuring twenty-three arpents front by the ordinary depth of forty arpents.—The other tract situated on the North side of said Bayou, opposite the first described tract, bounded above by lands of Thomas C. Quirk, and below by lands of said François Poiret, containing thirteen arpents front by about twenty arpents in depth, together with the

***Buildings***
*AND IMPROVEMENTS*

thereon erected, consisting of a large and commodious dwelling house, Sugar house, Cotton Gin, negro cabins, &c. &c.

**34**
**Slaves,**

of both sexes and divers ages.

A stock of about 1500 head of Vachery Cattle, Mules, work oxen, a lot of Sheep, waggons, Plantation implements, &c. &c.

*Terms and conditions*:—One half payable in all the month of April eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and the other half payable in all the month of April of the following year, 1858.—Purchasers furnishing their notes with two good securities bound in solido with the principal, and made payable at the domicil of Henry L. Garland, Tutor.—And moreover, the lands and slaves remaining specially mortgaged until full payment of all purchases made by the purchasers thereof, with the interest that may accrue thereon at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from maturity.
A. DEJEAN, *Auctioneer.*
Opelousas, Dec. 1st. 1855.

**THREE DAYS' RACES,**

**ON F. L. PITRE'S TRACK.**
DISTANCE, ONE MILE.

*First day.*—On the 27th of December 1855.—On the race-track of F. L. Pitre, at about four miles from Opelousas. Creole colts, three years old, free admittance. Entrance, $10.

*Second day.*—On the 28th December.—Cross blooded colts, three years old. Free admittance. Entrance, $20.

*Third day.*—On the 29th December.—Creole horses, which have never made a race for money. Free admittance. Entrance, $25.
Opelousas, December 1st, 1855.

*United States Tri-Weekly Mail Stage, from Opelousas to St. Martinsville.*

THROUGH IN DAY LIGHT.

THIS line, recently established, will leave Opelousas for St. Martinsville *via* Port Barré (the head of low water navigation, on the Courtableau,) Arnaudville & Breaux's Bridge, for St. Martinsville, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at six o'clock, A. M., arriving same day, at 5 P. M. Leaves St. Martinsville every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 6 o'clock, A. M., arriving at Opelousas at 5 P. M.

The undersigned, contractor, has incurred heavy expenses in procuring *the finest horses, comfortable stages* and *careful obliging drivers*, and trusts to the generosity of the travelling public for a share of patronage. S. C. McPHERSON.
Opelousas, December 1st, 1855.

**Public Sale,**
*By the undersigned, Auctioneer in and for the Parish of St. Landry.*
Estate of Jacques L. Rocquet, dec'd

BY virtue of an order from the Honorable the Third District Court of New-Orleans, bearing date the 24th of November 1855, and to me directed through the Hon. J. H. Kennedy, Judge of said Court, I will offer at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, on the plantation hereinafter described, on Bayou Têche, in this Parish, on
Thursday, 3d day of January next,
1856, the following described property, belonging to the Estate of the late Jacques Léopold Rocquet, deceased, to-wit:

*A CERTAIN*
**Tract of Land,**

cultivated as a sugar plantation, situated in Prairie Laurent, Parish of St. Landry, La., containing about three thousand and ninety acres of land, part fronting on the Bayou Têche, joining on the upper line the land of Joseph Balqué, f. m. c., and on the lower line the land of François Lemeile, f. m. c., running in the rear to the Bayou Bourbeux, with all the *Buildings, Sugar House and other Improvements.*

*ALSO THE*
**65**
***SLAVES,***

of both sexes and different ages, to-wit:

| | | | | |
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| No. 1.—Sam, | aged about | 35 | years. |
| " 2.—Pithion, | " | 42 | " |
| " 3.—Cæsar, | " | 32 | " |
| " 4.—Isaac, | " | 30 | " |
| " 5.—Thomas, | " | 25 | " |
| " 6.—Guillaume, | " | 28 | " |
| " 7.—Johnson, | " | 51 | " |
| " 8.—Harrisson, | " | 35 | " |
| " 9.—Albert, | " | 32 | " |
| " 10.—Jerry, | " | 30 | " |
| " 11.—York, | " | 27 | " |
| " 12.—Robert, | " | 28 | " |
| " 13.—George, | " | 30 | " |
| " 14.—Sam, | " | 29 | " |
| " 15.—Henry, | " | 28 | " |
| " 16.—Jacob' | " | 39 | " |
| " 17.—Charles, | " | 43 | " |
| " 18.—Thom, | " | 35 | " |
| " 19.—Jack, | " | 29 | " |
| " 20.—David, | " | 36 | " |
| " 21.—John, | " | 21 | " |
| " 22.—William, | " | 50 | " |
| " 23.—Manuel, | " | 55 | " |
| " 24.—Clinchin, | " | 55 | " |
| " 25.—Billy, | " | 55 | " |
| " 26.—Pierre, | " | 14 | " |
| " 27.—Jane, | " | 30 | " |
| " 28.—Sarah, | " | 8 | " |
| " 29.—Sidney, | " | 5 | " |
| " 30.—Emma, | " | 2 | " |
| " 31.—Child, | " | 0 | " |
| " 32.—Françoise, | " | 17 | " |
| " 33.—Adèle, | " | 1 | " |
| " 34.—Betsy, | " | 46 | " |
| " 35.—Marguerite, | " | 26 | " |
| " 36.—Martha, | " | 2 | " |
| " 37.—Lucil, | " | 38 | " |
| " 38.—Charité, | " | 30 | " |
| " 39.—George, | " | 4 | " |
| " 40.—Gerthrude, | " | 25 | " |
| " 41.—Antoine, | " | 8 | " |
| " 42.—Joseph, | " | 5 | " |
| " 43.—Watkins, | " | 3 | " |
| " 44.—Child, | " | 0 | " |
| " 45.—Elizabeth, | " | 27 | " |
| " 46.—Judith, | " | 27 | " |
| " 47.—Edmonia, | " | 5 | " |
| " 48.—Melia, | " | 2 | " |
| " 49.—Julienne, | " | 27 | " |
| " 50.—Louisiana, | " | 9 | " |
| " 51.—Baptiste, | " | 4 | " |
| " 52.—Joseph, | " | 2 | " |
| " 53.—Child, | " | 0 | " |
| " 54.—Becky, | " | 24 | " |
| " 55.—Sylvanie, | " | 2 | " |
| " 56.—Caroline, | " | 25 | " |
| " 57.—John, | " | 2 | " |
| " 58.—Polley, | " | 47 | " |
| " 59.—Anna, | " | 27 | " |
| " 60.—Eliza, | " | 26 | " |
| " 61.—Rachel, | " | 11 | " |
| " 62.—Sophie, | " | 17 | " |
| " 63.—Rosalie, | " | 2 | " |
| " 64.—Diana, | " | 28 | " |
| " 65.—Cecille, | " | 3 | " |

Agricultural Implements, Horses, Mules, Cattle, and a small lot of Household Furniture.

☞ All the above described property will be sold in a lump.

*Terms and Conditions*:—Twenty thousand dollars, payable cash, five thousand dollars payable at the end of March 1857, fifteen thousand dollars, payable at the end of March 1858, and four other payments of ten thousand dollars each payable at the end of March 1859, 1860, 1861 and 1862, and the balance, if any, cash; with the vendor's privilege, on the plantation and slaves, the notes to be given for the several instalments, payable in New Orleans, in one of the Banks of said city, where the purchaser shall make his domicil; the sugar house being insured in one of the Insurance Companies of this city, for no loss than ten thousand dollars, and the policy to be transfered to the vendors; and in case of non-payment of any of the notes, the same bearing interest at eight per cent, per annum till paid

☞ Act of sale passed before Y. D'Avy, Recorder, at the expense of purchaser.
R. BENGUEREL, *Auctioneer.*
Opelousas, December 1st, 1855.

**Meeting of Creditors.**

A Meeting of the creditors of the Estate of the late Humbert Perrodin, deceased, will be held before Yves D'Avy, Parish Recorder, and ex-officio notary public; in and for the Pariih of St. Landry, at his office, in the town of Opelousas, on Thursday, the 3d day of January next, 1856, in order to deliberate on the affairs of the Succession of said Humbert Perrodin, deceased.
A. GARRIGUES,
*Clerk of the District Court.*
Opelousas, December, 1st., 1855.