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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

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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.

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

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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

HEZEKIAH HAYS,
PARISH SURVEYOR.

RESPECTFULLY offers his serviees 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.

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.

Estate of Joseph D'Aigle, fils.

NOTICE is hereby given to those who purchased property at the successional sale of Joseph D'Aigle fils, dec'd., that according to the terms and conditions of said sale, the whole amount of the purchase money is due from the 1st of January 1856;—And furthermore that unless each debtor of said succession shall, before the 1st of February next, settle finally with the Administrators, at the office of Martel & Hardy, suit will be instituted against them.
P. D. HARDY & THEO. D'AIGLE,
Administrators.
Opelousas 12th January 1856.

Debaillon & Carriere,
Receiving, Forwarding and Commission Merchants.
Washington, La.
Jan. 19th, 1856.

Cheap for cash!!!

A fine lot of 6 and 9 feet pickets, for sale cheap for cash, by
FONTENOT & LYONS.
Washington, Dec. 29, 1855. 4.

ALL KINDS OF
Blanks for Justices of the Peace,
Ready for delivery, and for sale cheap for cash. Apply at the office of the Courier.

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, Paitots 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 skinfully 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; Offiuk Cotton and Sugar Plantation Register, &c., &c., &c.
Washington, La., October 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.

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.

FOR SALE.

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

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.

Mercantile Cards, &c.

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.

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

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

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 VIOT.
Washington, 17 Nov., 1855. 50

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 Bellevne 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.

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. Médicis, in Opelousas.
December 15th, 1855. 3m.

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

To shippers and Consignees of Freight.

The Steamer ALICE W. GLAZE, G. E. Louallier, Master, is now making trips *via* Plaquemine, and has reduced the rates of freight and passage to the regular high water rates, viz: Sugar, $2; Molasses and Cotton, 75 cts. Upper freight, 50 cents.

The *Glaze* will leave Washington on Sunday the 13th instant, and continue to leave her regular days, during the season.
Washington 10th January 1856.

To nervous sufferers.

A retired Clergyman, restored to health in a few days, after many years of great nervous suffering, is anxious to make known the means of cure. Will send (free) the prescription used. Direct the Rev. JOHN M. DAGNALL, No. 99, Fulton street, Brooklyn, N. Y. [jan. 6.—3m

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.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned give notice to their friends and the public in general, that they have just formed a partnership for the opening and keeping of the Barré's Landing Warehouse. They solicit the patronage of all, and on their side will use all their efforts to deserve it.

They will also have a good Grocery Store.
CARRIERE & HAUGUEL.
Barré's Landing, January 5th, 1856.—5t.

Miscellaneous.

Helmbold's Genuine Preparations.

HELMBOLD'S HIGHLY CONCENTRATED
COMPOUND FLUID EXTRACT BUCHU,

For diseases of the bladder and kidneys, gravel, dropsy, strictures, weakness, 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 slowly 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 all 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 Physician 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 annually 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 Invaluable Remedy. And as a medicine which must benefit everybody, from the simply delicate to the emaciated, 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.

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. Labjche, 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.

Brick-Laying & Kettle-Setting

THE undersigned respectfully informs those planters who may wish their kettles set or repaired, that he is engaged in the above business, and solicits a share of public patronage. He believes that his work will compare advantageously with that of any other workman in the State.—Many references to that effect can be given, if desired.

He is familiar with the detail of the Ramos plan and will introduce that improvement, if desired, without extra charge for work. It is claimed by the proprietor of the patent that, by that mode of skimming the *grande*, the gum as well as the scum is entirely removed from the juice, which is not the case by the ordinary method, and that the sugar will outsell that made in the ordinary way, from one to two cents per pound.

Any communication will receive prompt attention.—Address, Evergreen P. O. Avoyelles, La.
GEORGE FITCH.
Evergreen, Avoyelles, Dec. 1st 1855.—3m.

J. H. Sandoz, Notary Public.
Office at the Court-House, Opelousas.

Miscellaneous.

AYER'S PILLS,

A NEW and singularly successful remedy for the cure of all Bilious diseases—Costiveness, Indigestion, Jaundice, Dropsy, Rheumatism, Fevers, Gout, Humors, Nervousness, Irritability, Inflammations, Headache, Pains in the Breast, Side, Back, and Limbs, Female Complaints, &c. &c. Indeed, very few are the diseases in which a Purgative Medicine is not more or less required, and much sickness and suffering might be prevented, if a harmless but effectual Cathartic were more freely used. No person can feel well while a costive habit of body prevails; besides, it soon generates serious and often fatal diseases, which might have been avoided by the timely and judicious use of a good purgative. This is alike true of Colds, Feverish symptoms, and Bilious derangements. They all tend to become or produce the deep seated and formidable contempers which load the hearses all over the land. Hence a reliable family physic is of the first importance to the public health, and this Pill has been perfected with consummate skill to meet that demand. An extensive trial of its virtues by Physicians, Professors, and Patients, has shown results surpassing any thing hitherto known of any medicine. Cures have been effected beyond belief, were they not substantiated by persons of such exalted position and character as to forbid the suspicion of untruth.

Among the many eminent gentlemen who have testified in favor of these Pills, we may mention:

Prof. J. M. LOCKE, Analytical Chemist, of Cincinnati, whose high professional character is endorsed by
JOHN MCLEAN, Judge of the Supreme Court of the United States.
THOS. CORWIN, Secretary of the Treasury.
HON. J. M. WRIGHT, Governor of Indiana.
N. LONGWORTH, great wine grower of the West.
Also, DR. J. R. CHILTON, Practical Chemist, of New York City, endorsed by
HON. W. L. MARCY, Secretary of State.
WM. B. ASTOR, the richest man in America.
S. LELAND & Co., Propr's of the Metropolitan Hotel, and many others.

Did space permit, we could give many hundred certificates, from all parts where the Pills have been used, but evidence ever more convincing than the experience of eminent public men is found in their effects upon trial.

These Pills, the result of long investigation and study, are offered to the public as the best and most complete which the present state of medical science can afford. They are compounded not of the drugs themselves, but of the medicinal virtues only of Vegetable remedies, extracted by chemical process in a state of purity, and combined together in such a manner as to insure the best results. This system of composition for medicines has been found in the Cherry Pectoral and Pills both, to produce a more efficient remedy than has hitherto been obtained by any process. The reason is perfectly obvious. While by the old mode of composition, every medicine is burdened with more or less of acrimonious and injurious qualities, by this each individual virtue only that is desired for the curative effect is present. All the inert and obnoxious qualities of each substance employed are left behind, the curative virtues only being retained. Hence it is self-evident the effects should prove, as they have proved, more purely remedial, and the Pills a surer, more powerful antidote to disease than any other medicine known to the world.

As it is frequently expedient that my medicine should be taken under the counsel of an attending Physician, and as he could not properly judge of a remedy without knowing its composition, I have supplied the accurate Formulæ by which both my Pectoral and Pills are made to the whole body of Practitioners in the United States and British American Provinces. If, however, there should be any one who has not received them, they will be promptly forwarded by mail to his request.

Of all the Patent Medicines that are offered, how few would be taken if their composition was known! Their life consists in their mystery. I have no mysteries.

The composition of my preparations is laid open to all men, and all who are competent to judge on the subject freely acknowledge their convictions of their intrinsic merits. The Cherry Pectoral was pronounced by scientific men to be a wonderful medicine before its effects were known. Many eminent Physicians have declared the same thing of my Pills, and even more confidently, and are willing to certify that their anticipations were more than realized by their effects upon trial.

They operate by their powerful influence on the internal viscera to purify the blood and stimulate it into healthy action—remove the obstructions of the stomach, bowels, liver, and other organs of the body, restoring their irregular action to health, and by correcting, wherever they exist, such derangements as are the first origin of disease.

Being sugar-wrapped, they are pleasant to take, and being purely vegetable, no harm can arise from their use in any quantity.

For minute directions, see wrapper on the Box.

PREPARED BY
DR. JAMES C. AYER,
Practical and Analytical Chemist,
LOWELL, MASS.
Price 25 Cents per Box. Five Boxes for $1.
SOLD BY
John Posey, and P. L. Hebrard & Co., Opelousas—S. D. Allis, Washington, and J. B. Pollingue, Grand Coteau. jan 6th 1856—1y

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.

Franklin Institution.
THEODORE VALADE, Principal,
DR. HOARE, Professor of English.

THIS Institution, now well known in our community, offers remarkable advantages as regards the moral and intellectual development in the pupils.

Pupils cannot go about town unless being accompanied.

Condition.—Payable quarterly.

Boarders, per scholastic year of ten months and a half,	30
Day scholars, 1st class,	50
Day scolars, 2nd class,	40

All quarters commenced must be paid in full, and no reduction will be allowed except for sickness.
Opelousas 29th December 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.

Judicial Sales, &c.

Public Sale.
Estate of Zéphirin Lambert, 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, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, at the last residence of the deceased, at the Quarter of Plaisance in this Parish, on

Thursday, 14th February next 1856

the following described property, belonging to the Estate of the late Zéphirin Lambert, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, to wit:

The Plantation

where the deceased last resided, with all the BUILDINGS and IMPROVEMENTS thereon erected, situate in the Parish of St. Landry, (Quarter of Plaisance,) having six arpents front, by forty in depth of land, bounded North by land of Widow Antoine Lambert, West by land of Dr. John A. Taylor, South by land of Achille Dupré and East by Widow Antoine Lambert.

12 SLAVES,

of both sexes and different ages.

A barouche, a buggy, ploughs, two saddles, six horses, five work oxen, a horse cart, an ox cart, plantation utensils, ten heads of gentle horned cattle, fifteen vachery cattle, nine heads of horse creatures, twenty-six heads of sheep, household furniture, one lot carpenter's tools, &c.

Conditions:—All sums of twenty-five dollars and under, payable in all the month of April 1857, all sums above twenty-five dollars payable one half in all the month of April 1857 and the other half in all the month of April 1858. All sums not punctually paid to bear eight per cent per annum interest, from maturity until paid, purchasers furnishing personal securities to the satisfaction of the Administrator, the land and slaves remaining specially mortgaged to said succession until the full and entire settlement of principal and interest.

EVTE. DEBAILLON,
Auctioneir.
Opelousas, 12th January 1856.

Public Sale.

Estate of Humbert Perrodin, dec'd.

THE public are hereby informed that there will be sold, at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, by a duly commissioned auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, at the last residence of the deceased, near the Point of Coulée Plaquemines, in this Parish, on

Wednesday, 13th February next,

1856, the following described property, belonging to the Estate of the late Humbert Perrodin, deceased, late of the Parish of St. Landry, to wit:

THE PLANTATION

where said deceased last resided, situated in the Parish of St. Landry, at the Point and near the Plaquemine Coulée, bounded West by Public Lands, South by lands of Pierre Lacomb and Baptiste Leblieu, North by the land of Léandre Landry and East by Bayou Plaquemine, measuring two hundred and thirty seven superficial arpents, more or less, being the same that said Perrodin bought from Noel Olivier, by act passed on the 16th December, 1854, before Yves D'Avy, Recorder, with all the BUILDINGS and IMPROVEMENTS thereon erected.

3 SLAVES,

One buggy, one horse cart, one ox cart, one pair of work oxen, one beef, two cows, oratory utensils, silver-wares, household furnitures 6,000 shingles, 300 barrels corn, feather beds, pickets, one undivided half of a horse, three mules, eighteen sheeps, &c.

Conditions:—Payable at one, two and three years credit, from the day of sale.
CHS. A. PERRODIN,
Administrator.
Opelousas, January 12th, 1856.

EAGLE HOTEL,
Washington, La.

THE undersigned having purchased the above property, formerly known as the Galt House, begs leave to announce to the public that it is now open for the reception of transcient and permanent boarders. This Hotel is situated between the upper and lower Steamboats Landings, fronting the Courtableau. The premises have been newly furnished, and no effort will be spared to render the house as pleasant and acceptable to its patrons as any similar establishment in the interior of the State.
WM. IRELAND.
Washington, Dec. 29, 1855. 4

NEW ORLEANS, OPELOUSAS, WASHINGTON AND BAYOU BŒUF PACKET.

THE elegant and fast running steamer SYDONIA, GUSTAVE LOUAILLIER, Master. Having been thoroughly repaired, will, as soon as the water will permit it, ply as a regular packet between Opelousas, Washington, Bayou Bœuf and New Orleans. This boat is safe, comfortable and fast 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.

☞ *Freight taken as low as any boat in the trade.*
December 15th, 1855.

Miscellaneous.

For sale at private sale.

THE undersigned offers for sale, at private sale and upon reasonable conditions, the following property, to-wit:

ONE LOT OF GROUND,

situated on Main street, in the town of Opelousas, together with the Buildings and Improvements, consisting of a Dwelling House, Store, and other buildings.

Another lot of ground upon which there is a small dwelling house, situated at the corner of Court and King streets.

☞ Any body wishing to purchase can apply to the office of the *Courier*, or for more informations, call on the undersigned, at the junction of Bayous Teche and Fusilier.
EDOUARD FAYOLE.
St. Landry, December 8th, 1855.

NOTICE.

CONSIDERING it my duty to inform the public in general and my friends in particular that I am now in possession of the two Tax Rolls, for the State taxes of the years 1854 and 1855, I am now prepared to receive these taxes, and inform them also that owing to additional penalties and duties imposed on Collectors of State taxes by the statutes of 1855, I will be compelled to issue notices of seizure in all and every cases where tax payers shall neglect or fail to pay their taxes upon the first call or thirty days after the date of the present notice. I moreover inform the public that I shall authorize no one to receive these taxes: my deputies being authorized to act in their official capacity only.

I hope to be able, with the good dispositions of the tax payers, and my incessant efforts, to settle honorably in September next with the State Auditor, and thus fulfil my duties faithfully.
L. V. CHACHERE,
Sheriff and Collector.
Opelousas 5th January 1856. 5tf.

MONITION.

District Court.—Parish of St. Landry,

In the name of the State of Louisiana,
To whom it may concern.....Greeting.

KNOW YE, THAT JOHN JOSEPH MORGAN, of the Parish of St. Landry, has applied to our District Court for a Monition in conformity with the act of the Legislature entitled "An Act for the further assurance of titles to purchasers at judicial sales", approved March 10th 1834, to make known That at the sale at public auction of the Estate of John King Pickett, late of the Parish of St. Landry, deceased, made at the last place of residence of deceased, on the Atchafalaya, in this said Parish, on the 22nd day of December 1853, by Sebastian D Allis, a licenced Auctioneer, under an order from our District Court, James Benjamin Davis of the Parish of St. Landry became the purchaser of the following described property, to wit: Eighty acres and 28 hundredths of land lying and being situated in this Parish, the same lately purchased by deceased from the Estate of John Davis, dec'd. said land being adjudicated to said James B. Davis for the sum of five dollars and eight & a half cents per acre, amounting to four hundred and sixty-five dollars and eighty-five cents, ten per cent. of which sum to be paid cash, and the balance in one, two and three years, with good and sufficient personal security to the satisfaction of the Administrator, and mortgage on the property until final payment of principal and interest and all sums not paid at maturity to bear eight per cent interest until final payment.

Petitioner further represents, that at a sale at public auction of the Estate of John Davis late of the Parish of St. Landry, deceased, on the West bank of the Atchafalaya river, at the mouth of Bayou Rouge, his last place of residence, made by George Ricks, Administrator, on the 31st day of May 1853, pursuant to an order from our District Court, the said John K. Pickett became the purchaser of the said tract of land, for the sum of two hundred and four dollars, on the following terms to wit: on a credit of one and two years from the day of sale, with five per cent. cash, with mortgage and personal security to secure payment at maturity, said land being described in proces-verbal of said Administrator as "Eighty acres of land back of John K. Pickett"; but more fully described in the title from said Administrator to said Pickett, before John Joseph Morgan, a Notary Public for the Parish of St. Landry, dated June 1st 1853, and a supplemental act dated June 3rd 1853, as "A certain tract of land lying in the Parish of St. Landry, and being the North West Quarter of the South East Quarter and the North East Quarter of the South West Quarter, all in Section seven, Township four South of Range seven East, in the South Western District of Louisiana, and containing eighty & twenty-eight hundredths acres. Petitioner represents that he has become the purchaser of said tract of land from the said James B. Davis, by act before Yves D'Avy, Recorder of this Parish, dated January 3rd 1856, and that the terms of said adjudication have been complied with by the respective purchasers;—

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all persons who can set up any right, title or claim in and to the property above described, in consequence of informality in the orders, decrees or judgments of the Court under which the above named sales were made or any irregularity or illegality in the appraisements or advertisements, in time or manner of sales or for any other defect whatsoever, to show cause within thirty days, from the day this monition is first inserted in the public papers, why the sales so made to James Benjamin Davis and John K. Pickett, should not be confirmed and homologated in accordance with the intention and signification of said act.

L.S. IN testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court, this 4th day of January, 1856.
Ls. LASTRAPES, *Clerk.*
Opelousas, January 5th, 1856.

300 SACKS SALT, just received and for sale by
DEBAILLON & CARRIERE.
Washington, La., January 19th, 1856.