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Opelousas :

SATURDAY, : : : : : MARCH 3rd, 1860.

☞ We are requested to announce that, at the solicitation of many friends, Mr. CYRUS WRIGHAM has become a candidate for Town Constable.

Election in April next. [Feb 11, 1860.

☞ The Democratic Meeting held at the Court House in Opelousas, on Saturday last, was well attended and harmonious in its action. "Coming events cast their shadows before," and we confidently look for better times among the Democracy of St. Landry.

THE POLICE JURY OF ST. LANDRY had a meeting last week, we know not the last acts of this August body, but, the only act of theirs of which we have heard, is in perfect keeping with their well known prestige, without giving public notice of the fact, they have again elected the *Opelousas Patriot* to do the Parish printing. Does not justice require that these things should be given to the lowest bidder, especially when the Jury is in the habit of paying extra for all the work done for the Parish. *Fiat justitia ruat coelum!*

SUCCESSIONAL SALES.— By perusing our advertising columns, the reader will perceive that 14 slaves, a plantation, a fine house and lot in town, and other property, will be sold on Wednesday next, near Opelousas.

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN.— We are requested to announce that in order to facilitate and to secure the arrival in time of the Delegates to the Baton Rouge Convention, the steamer *W. Burton*, Capt. LOUAILLIER, will leave Washington to-morrow (Sunday) at 7 o'clock A. M., precisely, and Barry's Landing at 10 o'clock, so as to reach Baton Rouge on Monday at 10 o'clock in the morning.

THE PROTESTANT CEMETERY AT OPELOUSAS.—During the week we visited the place where sleep the Protestant dead of this vicinity. The gate was unhinged and leaning against the stile; the palings broken down and rotting away. Cattle were browsing on the rank herbage of the once enclosure, and hogs rooting over the graves of the recently buried. It seemed as if the remembrance of the departed had faded from the memories of the living, and the hand of affection ceased to adorn the spots that mark their last earthly homes.

True, the trumpet will sound and the dead shall rise again, with their future conditions neither ameliorated nor made worse by the respect or neglect which marked the earth, where their human forms mouldered away and joined their kindred dust;—but, we think, regard for the memory of the deceased, and respect for the living, should cause us to keep our burying grounds, at least in decent order. Aye, more! the graves which hold the bones o our parents are sacred! Should not the tombs of loved ones be robbed of as many of the horrors of the grave as well may be? In visiting such places, would it not be better for the eye to linger lovingly upon neatness and order, evergreens and flowers, than to be compelled to turn away in disgust from gazing on rank weeds, wild briers and the emblems of decay and ruin which stand around and lie scattered over the Protestant Cemetery of Opelousas?

We believe there is a fee for the right of burial paid into the Town Treasury, for the purpose of keeping these grounds in order. If so, why is it not thus applied? If it is exhausted, and personal affection will not do the work, let the Town, in self respect, have the place put in order!

N. B. Justice requires us to say, that a few private burying grounds indicate that the living respect the dead.

DEMOCRATIC MASS-MEETING IN ST. LANDRY.

In compliance with previous notice, the Democracy of St. Landry, convened in mass-meeting at the Court House in Opelousas, on Saturday, the 25th day of February, 1860.

At 12 o'clock M., the meeting was called to order by Chas. E. Mouton, Esq. and Dr. John A. Taylor selected as President and Wm. H. Spencer as Secretary.

Where upon, the following preamble and resolutions were submitted by C. H. Mouton, and unanimously adopted by the meeting, to wit:

Whereas nothing is to be deprecated more than the organization of a purely sectional party, whose object would be to promote the interest of one section of the American Union to the detriment of the other, because such a course would inevitably tend to dissolve the Union.

Be it Resolved, That it is the duty of all good Democrats to adhere to the principles, organization and time-honored usages of the National Democratic Party, and to resist in their primary meetings all efforts to innovate on the well established customs of the party, by admitting persons who have never professed, or who have long since ceased, to be democrats, to act and vote in said primary meetings.

Be it Resolved, That the qualification for participation and voting in the proceedings of this convention, shall consist in having voted for and supported the Democratic State nomination at the general election in November last.

On motion of H. L. Garland, Esq., the following gentlemen were appointed by the President, to represent the Democracy of St. Landry in the Democratic State Convention, to be holden at Baton Rouge, on Monday, the 5th proximo, viz: Wm. Offutt, Benj. B. Guott, R. I. Smith, Jr., Lucius J. Dupré, Chas. H. Mouton, Evariste Deblanchard, Louis Lastrapes, Jno. M. Sandoz, Jno. G. Pratt, Thos. Overton, Geo. R. Taylor and A. R. Hawkins.

On motion of Dr. J. B. Lee, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That an executive Democratic Committee, to consist of eight members, who shall select from their own body a President and Secretary, be appointed; that said committee shall be invested with full power to provide for the future and better organization of the Democratic Party of the Parish of St. Landry by the adoption of such rules and regulations as will insure harmony and concert of action, and with further authority to fix upon and give public notice of the time and place for other primary meetings or conventions of the Party in this Parish, and to adopt such other measures as the purposes of their organization may require.

Resolved, That a committee of three members of this convention be appointed by the chair to select the Executive Democratic Committee of the Parish of St. Landry.

On motion of Dr. E. M. Miller, *Resolved*, That the nominating committee select one member of the Executive Democratic Committee from each of the Police Jury wards of this Parish, and the remaining two members from any part of the Parish at their discretion.

The President then appointed Dr. E. M. Millard, Adolphe Garrigues and C. H. Mouton as the nominating committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Advocate of Baton Rouge, the *Courier* of New Orleans and the *Opelousas Courier*.

The Convention then adjourned sine die.

Opelousas, February 25th, 1860.

JOHN A. TAYLOR, President.

Wm. H. Spencer, Secretary.

"Decemous," of the Philadelphia *Press* believes that Mr. Douglas will be thrown overboard at Charleston, but will run independently.

JOEL H. SANDOZ, the senior editor of this paper, has been re-appointed Notary Public in and for the Parish of St. Landry.

In that capacity, his services are again offered to his old friends and to the public generally. His thanks are due to the Governor and to his fellow-citizens for this renewed mark of their confidence in his capacity and political fidelity.—His conduct shall prove they are not mistaken.

BAYOU CHICOT.—Last week, we were called to Bayou Chicot on professional business. We were pleased at the evidences of prosperity which met our eyes in that neighborhood. May bountiful crops continue to reward the care of the husbandman, and sickness long be a stranger to the denizens of that vicinity.

We regret to state, that in our peregrinations thereabouts, we met persons, who, we knew, had *fundamental* reasons for leaving the Queue Tortue shortly after the battle of the "Saddle and the Crupper," on the 3rd of September last.

Citizens of Chicot and vicinity, they are bad neighbors and worse friends; the sooner you get rid of them the better. The old proverb, that "birds of a feather flock together," has some truth in it, and the remembrance of it, may work an injury to persons who have acted from good motives; for they, like the serpent, leave their slime behind them wherever they crawl. *They cannot live* within striking distance of the Vigilant Committees.

We had the pleasure during our stay of visiting Mr. L. J. B Shaw's academy. Mr. Shaw is a native of the Parish of St. Landry, a gentleman fully competent to supply the educational wants of the people in the neighborhood where he has located himself; and, if he is sustained as he deserves, his academy will prove a blessing to Chicot.

We are pleased to notice that our region of country is being appreciated abroad. No part of Louisiana, one of the most fertile States of the Union, has a better climate or richer soil than that about Opelousas. We hope, ere long, to see the unoccupied lands in our midst beaming with cotton and sugar cane. The citizens of some of our Sister States seem to have their eyes turned towards this region, the lands of which will soon come into market. We coppy the following article from the *Cane Brake Gazette*, published at Demopolis Ala:

THE OPELOUSAS COUNTRY.—The South western part of Louisiana, in the region of country surrounding the town of Opelousas, is one of the most beautiful, fertile and healthy portions of the South west. This region has been heretofore, almost entirely overlooked by the tide of emigration setting westward, because it did not happen to be in the line of travel, there being no highway to Texas through it and the medium of communication between it and New Orleans being exceedingly round about and obscure. More recently, however, a Railroad has been projected to commence at Algeirs, opposite New Orleans, and to penetrate this country, by way of the Attakapas, and is intended to extend to Washington, six miles beyond Opelousas, [even to Texas.]

This Road has been completed eighty miles to Berwick Bay, and the company, we learn, are actively at work extending it farther. This Railroad has to a considerable extent, brought this region into notice—and quite a number of gentlemen seeking land have, during the past winter, visited this region. In this part of the State there is quite a considerable population of Quadroons or free negroes, who own a large quantity of valuable land and other property. The white population in this part of the State have, in the last few years, become very much dissatisfied with the existence of this anomalous class among them, and this feeling combining with the recent stringent legislation, has caused a perfect exodus of this free negro population, many emigrating to Hayti and others to Mexico. This emigration has already thrown a large quantity of valuable land into market, and will cause a great deal more yet, to be offered for sale. The lands in this region are probably as fertile and as valuable as any in the South west, and are cheaper than Texas lands of the quality with the additional inducements of being contiguous to the best market (New Orleans) in the South, and having a climate that is as healthy (as we happen to know from personal experience) as can be found in the South. In the course of twelve or eighteen months this region will have direct Railroad communication with New Orleans.

Persons desiring to emigrate westward we think would find it greatly to their advantage to visit this section of the South west before locating.

A WEDDING ON THE HEATH.

As the way-worn traveler turns with delight from the arid plains and burning sands of the great Sahara to the cool shades and limpid waters of the inviting oasis, so turned a pitifogging editor from the disagreeable task of attending to a swinish case before a *pedagogueing* magistrate to a bevy of bright-eyed, rosy-lipped girls, surrounding a fair bride, on the evening of the 23rd ultimo. The purling brook and the grateful shade of the green spot in the desert are not more welcome to the fevered brow and parched lips of the wayfarer, than was this change to the writer.

Around the family hearth friends and relations had gathered, manifesting a deep interest in the approaching ceremony, and uttering fond hopes for the future.— Suddenly a door opened, and two young ladies and two young gentlemen entered the parlor; the Preacher placed himself behind a little table and the bride and groom faced the music. He, like a conqueror, bore his head aloft, and gave the fitting responses to the necessary questions, while a smile of triumph wreathed his lips; the lady came forward, with eyes bent on the ground, and the blushes that mantled to her cheeks but half concealed by the bridal veil, but when she had faintly whispered the all-important "I will," in a voice "low and sweet," and her right hand was clasped in that of the man she loved, she raised upon him a pair of glorious blue eyes, beaming with love and happiness, and he man of God pronounced them "husband and wife."

For some time afterwards, such eyes looked love to eyes which spoke again, and all went merry as a marriage—bell?" But hark! amid the hum of happy voices, a sudden sound breaks upon the ear, and the company is electrified by the cry of—"supper's ready!" And then there was such a getting down stairs as only could follow! If the bride blushed when addressed with the compliment paid to her cookery by the novice husband, in the morning, by the guests, all we have to say is, she had a right to please.

After supper, music, songs and sweet conversation caused the hours to glide away, until we thought it time to retire. Placing a piece of bridal cake carefully under our head, we lay down to the pleasant dreams of an old bachelor, touch and wake up in exclusive marriage to something that happens to most of us once in a lifetime. Oh, my! two months of leap year are already gone, and we are just married yet! What are the girls about?

☞ Abundant rains has fallen in this region in the last week, thereby swelling the smaller streams to overflowing, succeeded by Northers that has completely chilled the atmosphere.—*Calcasieu Press.*

The bad weather must have frightened the school-master away from Calcasieu. We would respectfully recommend to our friend of the *Press* Mr. Caldwell's new system of Grammar, by the study of which *he* may become an accomplished grammarian in three or four months, without the aid of a teacher

THE UNION.

BY H. W. LONGFELLOW.

Thou, too, sail on, oh, ship of State!
Sail on, oh, Union, strong and great!
Humanity with all its fears,
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!
We know what Master laid thy keel,
What Workmen wrought thy ribs of steel,
What anvils rang, what hammers beat,
In what a forge and what a heat
Were shaped the anchors of thy hope!
Fear not each sudden sound and shock,
'Tis of the wave, and not the rock,
'Tis but the flapping of the sail,
And not a rent made by the gale!
In spite of rock and tempest's roar,
In spite of false lights on the shore,
Sail on, nor fear to breast the sea,
Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee!
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our tears,
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,
Are all with thee,—are all with thee!

DISSOLVE THIS UNION? NEVER.

(*From the Columbus (Ga.) Corner Stone.*)

Richard and John had gone to bed
In brotherly communion;
In one broad cover blanketed,
Like two States in the Union.

When John woke up, and with a kick,
Assailed his sleeping brother;
"Ive got one half the blanket, Dick,
And now I want the other!"

"Then count me out, my gentle Jack—
This Union we'll dissever!"
"Stay in," said Jack, "and warm my back!
Dissolve the Union? Never!"

So Jack stayed in with private grin—
And Dick with doleful shiver;
And disagreeing evermore—
Dissolved the Union, never.

Married.—On Thursday evening, the 23rd of February 1860, at the residence of the bride's father, in Bayou Chicot, by the Rev. D. S. Watkins, Mr. NATHANIEL VAN WOERT to Miss LAURA A. HEATH.

May shadows dark n'er cloud the brow of Love,
But each returning year new pleasures give,
Until life's journey o'er, they're called above
Amid the realms of endless *love* to live!

——At Plaquemine Brulée, at the brides father, on Thursday evening, the 23rd ultimo, by Rev. C. A. Frazee, Mr. HENRY M. ANDRUS, to Miss EDMONIA HARMON, both of this Parish.

"Multiply and replenish the earth."

State of Louisiana.

DISTRICT COURT, } No. 8907.
Parish of St. Landry. }

Estate of Antoene Arnaud, deceased.

ROBERT HART, LITTELL, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the Estate of Antoine Arnaud, deceased, late of the aforesaid Parish, having filed a Tableau of Classification of the debts of said Estate, accompanied by a petition praying that the same may be homologated;—And whereas the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court, dated 1st March 1859.

Therefore, notice is hereby given to all interested, to make opposition in writing, in my office, within thirty days from the date hereof, why said Tableau should not be homologated.

L. LASTRAPES, Clerk.

Opelousas, March 3rd 1860.

RUNAWAYS,

—FROM the residence of the undersigned, in Prairie Chataignier, on the 25th ult., two negro men. One being a griff 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, stout built and about 35 years old, speaking English only: he knows how to read and write. The other is not quite so tall, is of black color, about 40 years old, has a remarkably high forehead, and speaks the English language generally.

A liberal reward will be giving to any one who will either lodge them in jail, or deliver said negroes to the undersigned.

JEAN PIERRE LAFLEUR.

St. Landry, March 3rd, 1860.—tf.

COMMERCIAL CO-PARTNERSHIP.

JOSEPH BLOCH, SOL. FIERNBERG & S. E. LOEB

THE undersigned entered into a commercial co-partnership, on the 1st of March 1860, for the purpose of carrying on a general Dry Good Business in Opelousas. They tender their services to the public at the Brick Store, heretofore occupied by Firnberg & Kaufman and the *Patriot* Office;—Their stock will soon be complete and customers shall not complain at prices.

BLOCH, FIRNBERG & CO.

Opelousas, March 3rd, 1860.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE undersigned, formerly of the firm of Fiernberg & Kaufman, having sold out his entire interest to the present firm of Bloch, Firnburg & Co., improves this opportunity to return to his friends and the public generally, his sincere thanks for the liberal patronage which they have given him during his stay in St. Landry; he hopes the same kindness may be extended to his successors.

All persons indebted to the firm of Firnberg & Kaufman are requested to come forward and settle up, as its affairs are now in process of liquidation. Either of the partners is authorized to make Settlements.

MORITZ KAUFMAN.

Opelousas, March 3rd, 1860.

A CARD.

HAVING sold my entire stock of goods to the firm of Bloch, Firnberg & Co., I take pleasure in recommending them to my former patrons and the public generally.

My thanks are due to a generous public for its liberal patronage, and I would feel still more grateful, if all those indebted to me would now come forward and settle.

SIMON BLOCH.

Opelousas, March, 3rd 1860.

Selling off at Cost!

MRS. J. CHRISTMAN will sell her assortment of Groceries, Dry Goods, Shoes, &c., at cost. Having resolved to quit business she is determined to close her affairs. Come and see if bargains are not to be obtained. Stand corner of North and Union streets.

J. CHRISTMAN.

Opelousas, March 3rd 1860.—3t

PUBLIC SALE.

Estate of Evariste Castille, dec'd.

BY virtue of an order of the Honorable the Fifteenth Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of St. Landry, the undersigned, a duly commissioned and sworn auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, will sell at public auction to the highest and last bidder, at the residence of Widow Alexandre Castille, in Petit Bois, in said Parish, on

Saturday, 7th of April next, 1860,

the following described property, belonging to said estate, to-wit:

Lucas, a negroman aged about 40 years.
Drauzin, " " " 21 "
Adam, a negroboy, " " 13 "
Eugene, " " " 12 "
Alixe, a negro-woman aged about 36 years, and her child, named L'Eveillé, aged about 7 years.
Zelima, a negro-woman, aged about 16 years.

A pair of Mules, two creole saddle Horses, ten other creole Horses, a lot of household and kitchen Furniture, the Crops of Cotton, Corn, Potatoes, &c.

Terms and Conditions:— All sums of and under twenty dollars, cash; and all sums over twenty dollars, payable in three equal annual instalments, from the day of sale.—Purchasers furnishing their notes with good and solvent securities in solido, payable to the order of Maria Castille, Tutrix, at her present domicil, the residence of Mr. Jean Bte. Castille, in Grand Coteau, said notes to bear eight per cent per annum interest from maturity till paid, and the slaves to remain specially mortgaged to said estate until full and entire payment of both principal and interest.

JOHN F. SMITH, *Auctioneer.*

Opelousas, March 3rd 1860.

Public Sale.

Estate of Adolphe Lainé and Caroline Dugas.

BY virtue of an order of the Honorable the Fifteenth Judicial District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, of date the 28th February 1860, the undersigned, Dative Tutor, will sell through the ministry of a duly commissioned officer, on

Thursday, 5th of April next, 1860,

on the plantation of Lufroy Landry, at Point Mouton, in the Parish of St. Landry, the following property, belonging to said estate, to-wit:

Edouard, a negroman aged about 80 years.
Rose, an old negro-woman aged about 75 years and nearly blind.
Fanny, a negro girl aged about 16 years.

Terms and Conditions:— Said slaves will be sold on a credit of one, two and three years, from the day of sale, payable in three equal annual instalments; purchasers furnishing their notes with security, to the satisfaction of Lufroy Landry, natural Tutor, and the slaves to remain specially mortgaged to secure the payment of the principal and interest.

LUFROY LANDRY,
Dative Tutor &c.

Opelousas, March 3rd 1860.

Public Sale.

Estate of Augustin Léger, deceased.

BY virtue of an order of the Hon. the Fifteenth Judicial District Court of the State of Louisiana, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, the undersigned, a duly commissioned auctioneer, will sell at public auction to the last and highest bidder, on the premises herein discribed, on

Friday, the 6th of April next, 1860,

the following described property belonging to said estate, to wit:

14 SLAVES:

Joseph, a negroman aged about 26 years,
Charles, " " " 21 "
Antoine, " " " 34 "
Davy, " " " 48 "
Rosalie a negro-woman, " 61 "
Françoise a negro-woman, aged about 22 years with her three children, viz: Stephen, a boy aged 6 years, Elizabeth, a girl aged three years, and Rose also a girl aged one year.
Mélanie, a negro-woman aged 23 years, with her four children: Evariste, a boy aged 7 years, Valery, a boy aged five years, Azélie, a girl aged three years, and Zelina, also a girl seven months old.

A certain Tract or Parcel of Land,

situated in the Parish of St. Landry, on Plaquemine Brulée, containing one hundred and twenty superficial acres,—bounded North by Placide Thibodeau, South by Raphael Meche, East by Bayou Plaquemine and West by the public Domain.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, another small House, the Corn Mill, Corn House, one corn mill Shelter, one Gin House Press & Corn Mill, one carriage House.

80 head of horned cattle, one four wheeled carriage and harness, a pair of Timber Wheels (diable) and chain, Sixteen hundred pannels of Cypress pieux, an ox Cart, several lots of farming untensils and Carpenter's tools, one hundred barrels of corn, one horse Cart, one small lot of hides, a whip saw, cross cut saw, broad axe and many other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The purchase money payable in three equal annual instalments from the 1st day of April next, 1860; purchasers giving opproved personal security, and the land and slaves remaining specially mortgaged unto said estate until full and entire payment of the purchase money and the interest which may accrue thereon.—All sums not punctually paid at maturity to bear eight per cent interest from time due until finally settled.

H. BENGUEREL, *Auctioneer.*

Opelousas, March 3rd, 1860.

STRAW GOODS,

Hats, Caps, Bonnets, Flowers, Ruches, &c., &c.,
For Spring, 1860.

GEO. W. & JEHIAL READ,

60 WARREN & 120 CHAMBERS STS., NEW YORK,

Importers Manufacturers & Wholesale Dealers, are now receiving from their agent in Europe, and their own factory, a magnificent assortment of the above goods, to which they call the particular attention of first class buyers.

Catalogues containing full description of goods with prices attached, sent by mail on application.

March 3rd, 1860.—4t.

Plantation and Lands for Sale.

WILL BE SOLD AT PRIVATE SALE

A CERTAIN SUGAR PLANTATION,

situated in the Parish of St. Landry, on the East side of Bayou Crocant or Têche, bounded above by lands belonging to Mudd, and below by lands belonging to Terrel, having about 18 arpents on said Bayou Crocant, with a depth of about 40 arpents, more or less, containing seven hundred and eighteen arpents more or less in superficial extent, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon. Also a certain

TRACT OF LAND,

known as the Thompson Tract, situated in said Parish of St. Landry, on the West side of Bayou Crocant or Têche, having a front thereon of fourteen arpents, by an irregular depth; bounded on the upper line by lands belonging to Thos. B. Knox and Prudhomme, on the lower line of lands belonging to, or known as the Nugent Tract, and on the back lines of lands belonging to Thos H. Lewis, being nearly opposite to the said Sugar Plantation, and containing 428 arpents, more or less.

☞ For terms and conditions, apply to John H. Ilsley, agent of Richard McAll, Parish of Ascension, or to R. McAll himself, 4 miles above Donaldsonville.

February 18th 1860—tf.

Public Sale.

Estate of Paul Pandely, of the Parish of Orleans, deceased.

BY virtue of an order emanating from the Second District Court, New Orleans, will be sold on

Saturday, 17th, March next, 1860,

at public auction, at the Store of Messrs. J. L. Morris & Co., Big Cane, by Onezime A. Guidry, Auctioneer, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, the North-east Quarter of Section 24, Township 3, South of Range No. 4, East, containing 163 22-100 acres.

2d. The South half of Section 5, Township 3, South of Range 4, East, containing 375 25-100 acres.

3d. The South-west Quarter of Section 5, Township 4, South of Range 4, East, containing 160 8-100 acres.

4th. The West half of North-west Quarter of Section 9, Township 4, South of Range 5, East, containing 80 64-100 acres.

Terms:—One-fourth of the purchase money cash, and the balance in two equal installments, payable in one and two years, with notes bearing mortgage and privilege upon the lands sold, and satisfactorily endorsed, the same to bear eventual interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, if not paid at maturity, and made payable at the Counting House of Bellocq, Noblom & Co., in the City of New Orleans.

O. A. GUIDRY, *Auctioneer.*

January 28th, 1860.

LANDS FOR SALE.

A TRACT OF WOOD LAND, on Bayou Petite Prairie, in the Parish of St. Landry, near C. L. Swayze's plantation, measuring 481 42-100 acres.—Conditions $5,000: one third cash, one third in one year, and one third in two years from day of sale,—vendor's mortgage to be retained on the property sold.

ANOTHER TRACT OF LAND, situated on Bayou Mallet Woods, in this Parish, about 9 miles from Opelousas, containing two hundred superficial arpents, well timbered, bounded North by lands of Aug. Durousseau, f. m. c., South by lands of François Simien, f. m. c., East by land of Jacques Durousseau, f. m, c., without the improvements.—Conditions, $1,500; one third in one year, one third in two years, and one third in three years; 5 per cent. interest from date of sale.

C. H. MOUTON.

Opelousas, February 25th 1860.

For sale at private Sale.

A TRACT OF LAND measuring 800 arpents, good arable land, one half of which is well timbered, situated about 15 miles from the town of Opelousas. This land will be sold upon such terms and conditions as will suit the purchaser.

For particulars apply to

ULYSSE PRUD'HOMME.

Opelousas, Feb. 18, 1860. 1y.

FOR SALE,

A PLANTATION situated about 8 miles from the town of Opelousas, containing 850 arpents, 50 of which well timbered, with good improvements thereon.

14 working hands will be hired to the purchaser to get the next crop out, and four or five will be sold with the plantation, stock &c. if desired.

For further particulars, apply at the office of the Courier. Feb. 11 1860.—2t.

FOR SALE,

A FINE TRACT OF LAND, measuring about 1600 superficial arpents, good arable land, well timbered, situated at about 12 miles North-West of Opelousas, will be sold cheap either the whole or by fractions. ☞ For further particulars apply to the editors of the Courier. [Feb. 4, 1860.

For Sale at Private Sale.

A TRACT OF LAND, situated at the head of Bayou Slow, in the Parish of St. Landry, being the N W. Quarter and the W. half of the N. E. quarter of Section 6, Township 5, South Range 6, East, containing 242 85|100 acres.

For particulars apply to Aug. N. Robin, at the Recorder's office, or at the residence of Mrs. P. Labyche, in Opelousas.

October 8th, 1859.—1y.

FOR SALE.

A Buggy, good as new, having had one month use only, with harness.
A family Carriage, thoroughly repaired.
An old Baroucho.
Apply at the Courier Office.

RACES! RACES!!

A Mile Race between four Creole Horses will take place on the Race Track of the undersigned, 7 miles from Opelousas, on Thursday 8th March next, for a purse of $100. MARTIN ANDREPONT.

February 25th 1860.

NOTICE.

LABORERS WANTED— to work at Canals on the Reveley Plantation, one mile below Holmesville. To able bodied men $35 per month will be given.

February 25th 1860.—3t

LAND AGENCY.

DUPRE & GARLAND, will act as land agents, investigate the titles of land claims, and buy and sell lands on commission.

Office on Landry street in Opelousas.

February 18th, 1860.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

THE undersigned having taken the large brick buildings opposite P. & V. Roy's old Store, Main Street, Opelousas, has just arrived from New-Orleans with a COMPLETE assortment of Household Furniture of all kinds and prices, comprising

MAHOGANY BEDSTEADS AND ARMOIRS;
BLACK WALNUT " "
TABLES, marble tops and others;
SOFAS, BUREAUX;
SIDEBOARDS, WASHSTANDS;
ROCKING-CHAIRS, CHAIRS;

and many other articles suitable for families, bachelors, public houses &c., the enumeration of which would be too tedious.

Owing to the importance of his purchases and other considerations, he is now enabled to sell his Furniture as low as it can be got from New-Orleans.

He takes this opportunity to inform his friends, and the public in general that he will continue to make new furniture, repair old one and exchange new articles for any old which may be repaired.

Hoping to merit a share of the public patronage, he invites ladies and gentlemen to come and examine his stock of furniture.

LOUIS VATTER.

Opelousas, February 11th 1860.

Groceries, Goods and Notions!!

THE undersigned having just returned from making purchases in the City, has the honor to inform his customers and the public in general, that he has on hand, at F. A. King's old stand, corner of Main and Landry Streets, in Opelousas, in addition to his previous large stock, a supply of

FRESH GROCERIES,
AN ASSORTMENT OF
DRY GOODS,

CUTLERY, PATENT SAW-MILLS, CHURNS, Egg-Beaters, Eg-Friers, &c., &c.

In fact, he will endeavor to accommodate his customers, both as to articles and prices.

McHENRY HUSBAND.

Opelousas, February 4th 1860.

EAGLE HOTEL,

Formerly "Galt House," Washington La.

JAMES S. GREENLEE, of Mississippi, having purchassed the above house, begs leave to announce to the public that it is now open for the reception of transient and permanent boarders. It is situated between the upper and lower steamboat landings, fronting the Courtableau.

The premises have been newly furnished, and no effort will be spared to render the accommodations and fare as pleasant and acceptable to its patrons as those of any hotel in the interior of the State.

Good stabling for horses.

January, 14th, 1860.

BAZIL,

Four years old in the Spring, of bay color, with black legs mane and tail, bred by Judge L. J. Dupré of St. Landry.— Got by *Boston jr.* out of *Prairie Flower.*— Boston jr. by *George Martin* out of *John F. Miller's Boston Filly*, the get of BOSTON, the celebrated Virginia horse.—Prairie Flower by imported *Sorrow* out of *Madge*, the get of imported *Sir Archy* out of *Lady of the Lake.*

Will serve mares during the next Season at $20 each, payable invariably in advance.

He will stand at the stables of Henry L. Garland, near Opelousas. Mares from a distance can be left on the premises, where they will receive proper care and attention at fifty cents a day.

Opelousas, January 14th 1860.

Weekly Auctions.

THE undersigned will have regular Auction Sales, every Saturday, at his Stand, corner of Main and Landry Streets, in Opelousas, at which every article offered for sale will be knocked off to the highest bidder, *without reserve*

He will continue put up fine Liquors, Groceries of every kind, Dry Goods and

FANCY NOTIONS!

McHUSBAND

Opelousas, February 25th 1860.

OYSTER SALOON.

THE undersigned has opened an Oyster Saloon, adjoining the Coffee House of J. Anselm, on Court Street, where he will constantly keep on hand fresh oysters as also fried, stewed and oyster soup, for amateurs. He will also keep sardines, lobsters, salmon, cove oysters, &c., at all hours of day and night.

H. DESESSARTS.

Opelousas, January 21st 1860.

LOST! LOST!!

BY the undersigned, between Washington and Col. R. B. Marshal, near Evergreen, a note of hand drawn by D. D. Arden, for $685 76 cents, or thereabout, with 8 per cent interest per annum from date until paid, and dated about June 1855. There are some credits on the note, amount not recollected. The said D. D. Arden holds my note for $250, drawn in favor of J. Barlow, dec'd. I hereby warn all persons not to trade for either of the above notes, as the latter is considered in part an offset to the former.

DAVID HUSON.

Washington Feb. 4, 1860. 9—3t.

Ne Plus Ultra!

COME one and all and buy your goods cheaper! I am determined to build a new brick store at my old stand, corner of Main and North Streets, in Opelousas; therefore, I have resolved to sell off my entire stock of goods, groceries, &c., much below the market price.

Come and see if I do not keep my word!

S. BLOCH.

Opelousas, January 28th 1860—2m

Law Notice.

J. H. & THOMAS OVERTON,

Attorneys & Counsellors at Law.

HAVING associated themselves in the practice of their profession, will attend *regularly* the District Courts of the Parishes of St. Landry, Calcasieu, Rapides and Avoyelles, and the annual sessions of the Supreme Court at Opelousas and Alexandria.

Office at Opelousas, La. [April 24th, 1858.

C. H. & E. MOUTON,

Attorneys at Law.

WILL practice their profession before the District Court of St Landry, Calcasieu, Lafayette, St. Martin and Vermillion, and the Supreme Court at Opelousas.

C. H. MOUTON, Opelousas, La. EVARISTE MOUTON, Vermillionville, La.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned has opened a Family Grocery Store on Bellevue street, at Rachel's old stand, where he will sell choice articles at as low a price as possible. During the season, he will constantly keep fresh fruits of all kinds. JEAN MARTIN.

Opelousas 28th Jan'y. 1860. 6m.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned having taken the contract for carrying the Mail between Opelousas and St. Martins, by Gros Chevreuil and Braux's Bridge, will continue to take passengers at the usual rate. Those who would like to take a through ticket from St. Martin to the Bell-Chener Springs, will only have to pay eight Dollars. NOEL LARCADE.

Opelousas 5th June 1858.

A. J. THOMPSON, Auctioneer.

OFFERS his services to the public of the Parish of St. Landry. He can always be found at the Sheriff's office.

Opelousas, March 19th, 1859.

HERRMAN BODEMULLER, Bellevue st. near Rachel's old stand, teaches music on the violin and guitar, and repairs musical instruments and tunes pianos [January 29, 1859.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL,

GRAND COTEAU,

Kept by Mrs. N. Grismer, opposite the College

E. N. CONSTANCE, Public Auctioneer.

OFFICE at the Clerk's Office, Marksville, Avoyelles. All sales entrusted to him will receive prompt attention. [Feb 25 1860—1y.

SANITARY GRUEL.

I. X. L. Nourishing Remedy.

Invented and Prepared by

P. MARMAY,

OF RIOM. FRANCE.

THE inventor of this new and invaluable remedy has taken patents in France, England, Scotland, Ireland, Belgium and the United States.

This truly hygienic composition is a "natural" preparation of a pleasant taste—so much so that it is used as a "relish" by those in good health, and an infallible remedy in case of sickness.

The most obstinate constipation yields to the daily use of the Invigorating Gruel; in such cases the soup made of it must be taken twice a day, morning and evening.

This Invigorating Gruel has been tried by distinguished physicians, and it has been used triumphantly in every disease of the stomach, such as: Dyspepsia, Gastritis, Heartburn, Megrims Sick-Headache, Pains in the Stomach, Costiveness, Vomiting, Chronic Diarrhea, &c., &c.

The astringent effects ordinarily resulting from Tonics, Bitters and Vermifuges, so valuable in many cases, are mollified by the use of the INVIGORATING GRUEL, which can, without fear, be given to persons of the most delicate stomachs.

The Invigorating Gruel is taken in different ways; with a broth—with salt or sweetened milk—with or without the orange-flower water. A spoonful of it is sufficient, and should be put in boiling milk and remain 15 or 20 minutes.

☞ To be taken morning and evening.

For further particulars, apply at the General Depot, No. 44 Conti street, between Charter and Royal, New Orleans.

For sale, wholesale and retail, by A. RENAUD, TRADER, principal agent in the United States. Depots in all the principal cities of the United States.—In New-Orleans, at No. 44, Conti Street between Chartres and Royal Streets, and in Opelousas, at Messrs. P. L. Hebrard's and John Posey's Drug Stores. [Dec. 3d, 1859.

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To Parents, Merchants, etc., who wish to give their Sons or Clerks a Practical Business Education, in the shortest possible time, and to young gentlemen whose Time is important.

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COMMERCIAL COLLEGE,

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Persons from 12 to 60 years attend to any branch they may wish, and until as perfect as they wish to be, There are, probably, not less than two thousand of its former students in banks and business houses in this city,

Merchants apply here for clerks and book-keepers.

Country merchants, steamboat clerks, etc., can learn in a few days to keep their book correctly, or write a free, handsome hand.

Catalogues with terms, opinions of the press and leading men of the nation, etc., sent to all who desire them.

This is the only chartered Commercial College in the Southwest and the oldest in the United States, and has stood for

MORE THAN A QUARTER OF A CENTURY on its own merits alone.

Board can be had with the Professors', or other good families speaking English, French, Spanish or German, from $5 to $6 per week.

N. B.—To prevent mistakes, or impositions, Students intended for this College should bring this advertisement or special directions, as there are every winter temporary rooms open for a few months; all, of course, making wonderful pretensions and promises, and posting flaming placards to enlighten the people of New Orleans and the South. When three or more form Clubs, and enter at the same time, ten per cent. will be deducted from tuition.

☞ Citizens and strangers are respectfully invited to visit the College and judge for themselves. The city is perfectly healthy.

STOCK—If, as is expected, the citizens in favor of Southern practical education subscribe as liberally to this HOME INSTITUTION as they ever have to distant ones, the Agricultural and Mechanical Departments will be at once put in operation, and the whole placed on a firm basis, to stand for ages as a permanent Institution of the South, and under the direction of the Stockholders themselves and the Trustees appointed by the Legislature.

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Gentlemen of the South! does the plan meet your approbation? If so, will you give it your aid, and build up a HOME INSTITUTION with a thousand or fifteen hundred students annually?

RUFUS DOLBEAR, President.

Nov. 12th, 1859.

NEW ARRIVALS.

JUST received at the OPELOUSAS DRUG STORE, kept by

P. L. HEBRARD.

Soluble Phosphate of Iron, et Leras; Hypophosphite of Soda, Bromide of Potassium—Iron Alum. And a general assortment of French Chemicals and Patent Medicines.

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN PATENT MEDICINES.—Kennedy's great Medical Discovery, McLean' invigoating Cordial, Jonas Whitcomb's Asthma