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OPELOUSAS:

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The COURIER is published in the most populous Parish in the State, except Orleans, and has a

Larger Circulation

in that Parish than any other paper, and is one of the best advertiseing mediums in the interior of the State.

Transient advertisements 25 cents per square of eight lines (minion).

☞ Messrs. Griffin & Hoffman, Newspaper Advertising Agents, No. 4, South street, Baltimore, Md., are duly authorized to contract for advertisements at our *lowest* rates. Advertisers in that City are requested to leave their favors with this house.

"Subscription Free.—Every person advertising in this paper to the amount of twenty dollars, and paying the same cash at this office will be entitled to one year's subscription gratis."
Opelousas Journal.

We would, in the meantime, inform all interested that every person advertising in the COURIER *to the* amount of **Ten Dollars** at the *Journal's* regular rates, and paying the same cash at this office, will be entitled to one year's subscription to the COURIER gratis,—administrators of estates and others interested in judicial advertising not excepted.

Our Public Roads.

Some time since, the Police Jury of our Parish passed a very good road law, and when we saw and read it in the official journal of the Parish, we congratulated ourselves, the people of our Parish generally, and the travelling public particularly, that the prospect of having good roads in St. Landry was growing bright.

To-day we regret to say, that we find no change whatever for the better, in the condition of our thoroughfares; on the contrary, they are growing worse every day; we speak particularly of the public roads leading South, East, and West of Opelousas. For months and months past the great highway—the mail route from Opelousas, South, by way of Grand Coteau, to St. Martin, Lafayette, and the other lower Parishes, has been in a most wretched condition indeed. Almost within the Corporate limits of the Town, that public road is in several places, now at the present moment, almost impassable. At the hill near Calliham's Bridge, there is great danger, particularly at night, of serious accidents to the traveller. Through the woods between Opelousas and Grand Coteau the road is miserable beyond anything to be seen in a civilized community. The same thing, nearly, may be said of the other roads—all important ones, and leading to the seat of Justice and most important Town in the Parish. Why is this? Is there not a power somewhere to execute, or to see that the road law shall be executed? There was a considerable stir made in our District Court, some months ago—last Spring we believe, under the old law—about the enforcement of our road law, and we really hoped and anticipated, at the time, good results therefrom; but everything respecting the whole matter seems to have slackened up since. This thing is getting to be a disgrace, to say nothing more, to those who have this whole subject-matter under their control and properly within their jurisdiction.

It is a subject of severe comment and unmeasured complaint among strangers who pass through our Parish, as well as those who come and have come here to locate. But this is not all, it keeps away from us substantial men who would buy and settle homes among us, if they were not discouraged by the condition of our public highways, and the great want of enterprise and public spirit among our people that it bespeaks.

We hope sincerely that there will be a speedy aid to this state of things. We have as good a road law as we could desire. Who is to blame for its non-execution?

SOMETHING LIKE JUSTICE. — WHAT'S IN THE WIND.—We see by the New Orleans Republican of the 9th inst., that the Governor and Lieut.-Gov., two of the three members of the printing commission appointed to contract with the different newspapers of the State for the publication of the laws of the State, and the parochial printing and advertising, have revoked and annulled all printing contracts heretofore made.

There were 35 papers who had obtained contracts for publishing the laws and the parochial printing and advertising, among which we see mentioned the Opelousas Journal, J. W. Jackson editor and proprietor; and 10 having contracts for publishing the parochial printing and advertising only.

Here is then a complete revocation of all contracts made under the provisions of the printing bill, and as a consequence, administrators of Estates can, from the date of said revocation, and until the law is remodeled at the next session of the Legislature, choose the paper in which they desire their advertising done. This is but justice.

RAIL ROAD PROSPECTS BRIGHTENING—Our N. O. exchanges of the 13th, gives us the encouraging news of an arrangement between Mr. Chas. Morgan and the New Orleans, Mobile and Texas Railroad Company, by which Mr. Morgan is prepared to advance at once the funds requisite for continuing said road from its present point of western extension, at Donaldsonville, along its already surveyed route to Houston, and that he proposes also to complete the chartered branch of the same railroad from Washington to Shreveport, and to connect it with his Opelousas railroad by extending the latter to Vermillionville.

SENTENCE AND PARDON OF R. DESHOTELS.—Raymond Deshotels, who had been tried at the present term of our District Court and found guilty of manslaughter on the person of P. S. Guidry at Berry's Landing on the 5th of June last, and had been sentenced to one year in the Penitentiary, was pardoned by the Governor on last Tuesday.

☞ Try a cake of that celebrated SAPOLIO, it has no equal for general cleansing properties, and is far superior to soap for all purposes except washing clothes. Posey has it for sale.

☞ A light running 4 seated Carriage, and very gentle horse for sale. Apply to Jno. Posey.

Attend the auction by Jos. V. Roy & Co., today and to-marrow.

THE VOTE ON THE ELECTION OF LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR. — Our readers are already aware that Senator Pinchback, colored, was elected by the Senate of our State, on the 7th inst., President of the Senate and ex-officio Lieutenant-Governor of the State, beating his white opponent, Coupland, two votes.

Here is the vote and names of the voters. It will be seen that our seven Democratic Senators (including Hon. T. C. Anderson,) voted in solid phalanx for Mr. Coupland, the candidate opposed to the Warmoth faction:

For Pinchback: Barber, Butler, Campbell, Coupland, Gallup, Harris, Hunsacker, Jenks, Kelso, Lewis, Lynch, McMillen, Noland, Ragan, Swords, Twitchell, Whitney, Wilcox—18

For Coupland: Anderson, Antoine, Blackman, Bowman, Daigle, Futch, Herwig, Ingraham, O'Hara, Pinchback, Ray, Smith, Sypher, Thomas, Thompson, Todd—16.

☞ We had no idea, last Saturday, when we mentioned the damages caused by hogs running at large in our streets, that the matter would be so soon remedied, and were consequently surprised on reading the ordinance in the official journal, of the 9th inst., by which the law passed about six months ago, allowing hogs free range through our streets, was repealed, and the adoption in its stead of another ordinance, banishing them from our corporation, under penalty of being shot.

In short, the law now is: that from the 24th inst., every hog found ranging at large within the corporate limits, shall be shot by the constable and turned over to the owner upon payment to the constable of $1 per head for each hog so killed, and if not claimed the constable shall haul the same off at the cost of the town.

We have no objection to the law, except that the time given for owners of hogs to get rid of same, is rather short.

☞ The effects of the revocation of the printing contracts are already manifesting themselves. For instance, we see that several judicial advertisements are published in the *Planters' Banner* of New Iberia, of the 13th inst., that would undoubtedly have found their way into the ex-"official journal" had the printing contracts not been revoked.

AUCTION.—It is this morning at 10 o'clock that Messrs. Jos. V. Roy & Co. will sell at auction, at their Room on Main St. under the *Courier* office, all sorts of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Groceries &c.; sales two days of every week—Saturdays and Sundays. Don't fail to be on hand at the appointed hour if you wish to secure bargains. See advertisement.

A PURE ARTICLE.—We acknowledge the receipt, from that veteran Druggist, John Posey Esq., of the St. Landry Medicine Depot, of a bottle of pure Whiskey, which, according to the opinion of *connaisseurs*, is pronounced "genuine." Mr. Posey informs us that this is a sample of an extra fine article which he has recently received, and justly claims that it cannot be excelled. We can safely refer our readers to Mr. Posey for pure and unadulterated liquors, as well as Drugs and Medicines.

☞ An attractive and artistically arranged millinery store has just been opened a few doors from our office. Mrs. B. Gerst, the proprietress, is a well recommended milliner, and has permanently established herself in the building formerly occupied by Mr. W. M. Johnson, as a residence. She respectfully solicits a share of the patronage from the ladies of Opelousas and vicinity.

☞ Auction sales by Jos. V. Roy & Co., on Saturday and Sunday of each week.

WE KNOW that for cleaning paint, windows, china and glassware; for polishing knives, tin, iron, brass and copper wares, and for removing stains from marble and porcelain, and rust from machinery, Enoch Morgan's Sons' Sapolio is the best thing in use.

☞ Saturday and Sunday next, the auction sales by Jos. V. Roy & Co., will be continued.

☞ Magistrates' blanks for sale, and other job work done on short notice, at this office, cheaper and more neatly gotten up than in any other office in the Parish. Call and examine specimens and prices and see if this is an empty boast. We guarantee good workmanship at fair prices; indifferent or cheap (?) work not solicited nor bids made in *competition for inferior printing.*

Meaning of the Election of Pinchback.

The election of such a character as Senator Pinchback to the Presidency of the Senate, a position which entitles him to the office of Governor of the State in the event of Warmoth's resignation, death or inability to act, is much more significant than would at first appear. In the first place it proves that the majority of the Republican party of the State yet march under Warmoth's banner, and that the carpet-bagger portion of the party are more powerful than the native Louisiana Republicans. In the second place it proves that the carpet-bag element are determined not to trust those who belong to the soil. It is known that the Warmothites more readily affiliate with men who call themselves Democrats than they do with the members of their own party whenever circumstances enable them to effect such an alliance. To state it otherwise, these carpet-baggers are not true Republicans any more than the so-called Democrats who act with them are sincere members of the party under whose flag they profess to march. In the third place we think it proves that the voting white population (whenever they are combined) are more powerful, if not more numerous than the voting black population, (when they stand alone) and that it is for the interest of the latter at once to seek their friends among the former, and not among the strangers who have come to Louisiana since the war. Pinchback, although a man of color, is indebted to the white Senators of his party for his election, and he is now their ostensible leader under Gov. Warmoth. He does not succeed to the place of Lieut. Gov. Dunn in the affections of the colored people. The latter will not have him for a leader. Now the question is, can Warmoth depend upon Pinchback in case of need. Will Pinchback be true to him? In the event of Warmoth's impeachment and suspension will Pinchback remain his friend? For the Governor, who has doubtless weighed it, it is a serious question. We must admit that Warmoth plays his hand with considerable skill. He could of course have secured the election to the Presidency of the Senate of Mr. Anderson, Mr. McMillen or Mr. Lynch, but he feared that the people of Louisiana might take it into their heads that such a man as Anderson would prove to be a better Governor than himself. He therefore chose Pinchback because no one who has any love for the State would desire to exchange Warmoth for that person. So long therefore as Pinchback is Lieutenant Governor Warmoth's tenure of office, may be considered secure, provided the former remains faithful. As bribery is the order of the day and Pinchback has avowed himself as not above making money in that way *provided he violates no principle!* It would be somewhat hazardous to predict the course of a man, who is actuated by such motives as he has confessed.—*N. O. Bee.*

An Infalliable place to get Bargains:—Jos. V. Roy & Co's. auction Room.

[COMMUNICATED.]

A Grand Fair and Concert!

A grand Fair and musical entertainment, for the benefit of the Catholic Church of this place, will be held at the Court House in Opelousas, on the 26th, 27th and 28th inst.,—Concert to commence each evening at half-past 7 o'clock; tickets 50 cents.

The object of this feast of pleasure, it is needless to mention, when it is remembered that our good and zealous Pastor, Revd. J. F. Raymond, who has labored so long and assiduously among you, is assisting in getting it up, and whose good works are so well appreciated by all, but more especially by the good and pious young ladies who are so energetically aiding in this commendable undertaking;—they very beautifully reflect—through their talents and skill, credit on the good Nuns by whom they were educated, for in point of needle-work and embroidery, and all those qualifications which ornament a young lady, they cannot be excelled, and these assertions of the writer will be proven by all coming to the Fair and feasting their eyes on the valuable and beautiful articles which will be exhibited by the fair ladies, on the tables. A very favorable opportunity for young gentlemen to show their good wishes to their sweet-hearts. The Christmas Tree with all its delightful fruit, will be one of the great attractions, so peculiar to the season. Another interesting feature on the tables, will be an exhibition of beautiful babies the most perfect models for——. In fact everything will be magnificent;—the Concert will be the greatest musical treat ever given in this place, as the musical talents of the young lady who will be the Prima-dona of the entertainment is gifted with an extraordinary musical talent, both vocal and instrumental, and together with the many other distinguished vocalists—both ladies and gentlemen—will make up a grand and complete orchestra, thus sprinkling the whole affair with that angelic odor which is so delightful and pleasing to the human mind.

Everything generally being under the skillful management of the kind ladies of the Parish, with their good Pastor at the head, is a guarantee that the whole entertainment will be everything that may be desired. AMICUS.

Don't forget the auction sales to-day and to-morrow.

☞ On Thursday last two men, styling themselves fighters, attempted to fight each other, but were restrained from carrying their purpose into effect by their respective fears of one another. The party who acted as judge in this abortive attempt of a fisticuff, seeing the state of affairs, adjourned the meeting, greatly to the relief of some 700 spectators, and the especial joy and satisfaction of the principal performers. This reference to the so-called prize fight is allowed to taint the columns of this newspaper for two reasons. The first reason is that the evident reluctance and utter refusal of two noted pugilists to come to any thing like fighting when pitted against each other demonstrates the weakness of the system of the prize ring, and will do more to destroy the system than all the homilies ever written. The second reason is that it is the duty of a Christian paper to denounce in the severest terms those who maintains the system by attending the disgusting displays. It is stated in the daily papers that of the 700 who attended the last might have been fight, a large proportion were citizens of high social position in this community, some, we blush to say it, calling themselves Catholic gentlemen.—*Morning Star.*

Auctions twice a week:—see advertisement.

☞ Lukewarm citizens look at this: Rev. Dr. Bellows, of New York, has preached a sermon entitled "Moral Ashes," which concludes with the admonition; "There is no sin so great as political corruption, *except political indifference* to it. To throw off this, in the face of party, of threatening place-holders, of organized corrupters and ruin, is our immediate duty, and God grant you may be as one man, united in doing it by your ballots and your voices, and your upright and patriotic hearts."

Sapolio!—For sale at Posey's.

Successional Sales.

Est. H W Robinett—O S Smith adm'r, will sell on Jan. 10th, near Big Cane: 320 acres of land with improvments on Bayou Petit Prairie: mules, horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, furniture, tools, corn, &c. Terms—one-half cash, balance in 12 months.

Est M G Stelly—Louis G Stelly adm'r, will sell in Prairie Laurent on Dec 20, for cash: 3 horses, 1 pair oxen, a lot hogs, a gun, corn, etc.

Ests. S W Quirk and Ann L Hargrove—Willis P Quirk, adm'r., will sell at the Court House on January 3d, for cash: a tract of 400 arpents on Bayou Bœuf; the undivided half of 111 acres of land on same bayou; another tract situated in same neighborhood, and all improvements &c., on above mentioned tracts

Est Chas. B. Smith—Jno. F. Smith adm'r. will sell in Grand Coteau, on Dec. 26: a tract of land in said town containing 160 arpents with improvments. Terms—one-third cash, balance in 1 and 2 years.

Sheriff's Sales.

C. S. Cozine vs. Jos. M. Beers;—Dom. Lalanne vs. Jos. M Beers—The Sheriff will sell, on 1 year's credit, at the Court House, on Jan'ry, 6th: the barge "Green Horn."

H L Garland vs François Richard—The Sheriff will sell for cash, on January 6th, at the Court House: 160 acres of land with buildings &c.

Zelienne Lyons vs. Eliza Guidry.—The Sheriff will sell, at the Court House, on a credit of 12 months, on January 6th, 1872: a tract of about 80 acres of land; two of about 160 acres each; another tract of 79, and one of 91 acres; a tract of 200 acres on Plaquemine; a tract of 81 acres: the undivided half of 200 arpents in Mallet woods

L F Lastrapes vs. Geo. W Wykoff—The Sheriff will sell at the Court House on January 6th, for cash: a plantation on Bayou Bœuf containing 560 arpents, with buildings &c. thereon,

Wm Offutt, liquidator et al, vs. Eliza A Sutherland—The Sheriff will sell on Jan. 6th, at the Court House for cash: a piece of land with improvements in Washington.

S Bloch vs Bloch, Dupré & Co,. in liquidation The Sheriff will sell at the Court House on Jan. 6th, for cash: a lot of ground with buildings &c, thereon in Opelousas.

Wm C Johnson vs. S Medlock—The Sheriff will sell at the Court House on Jan. 6th, for cash: a tract of 80 acres of land on Coulée Crouche, and one of 40 acres in Plaquemine Brulée, with all the improvements &c, thereon.

Administrators' Tableaux.

Est Sam C McPherson—Virginia Basset, test. ex'tx., has filed a final tableau of distribution of funds which will be homologated Jan. 9th, if no opposition is made.

Est B. Léger—Corinne Smith widow, tutrix, has filed a final tableau and distribution of said estate, which will be homologated December 25, if no opposition is made.

Est Geo. R. King—Ann E. Winn, adm'x. has filed a tableau of classification of debts of said estate, to be homologated Dec. 25 unless opposed.

CABINET-MAKER.

THE undersigned, cabinet-maker in Opelousas, announces to the public of this Parish that he is prepared to execute all work entrusted to him. He will make cisterns, window sashes, counters and shelves for stores, &c. He will repair old furniture on reasonable prices. Armoirs, Tables Cupboards, &c. &c. made to order. Musical instruments, pianos, violins, flutes, gun stocks, &c. revarnished with French varnish. D. SOUYEUX.
Dec. 16th 1871—tf. Main St.

SAPOLIO
Is for sale at Posey's.

BLOCH & DUPRE
Being too busily engaged in opening their
IMMENSE STOCK
—OF—
FALL AND WINTER GOODS
to write off even a partial enumeration of same, would invite purchasers to call and examine for themselves, being convinced that they are enabled to give—in each and every instance—
ENTIRE SATISFACTION!
GROCERIES and PROVISIONS
Of the best kind, such as

FLOUR,	PORK,
BACON,	RICE,
COFFEE,	SALT,
SUGAR,	MOLASSES,

At prices to suit the times, constantly on hand
At BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

FINE LIQUORS!

COGNAC,	PORT WINE,
SHERRY,	CHAMPAGNE,
CLARET,	KIRSCH,
ABSINTHE.	VERMOUTH,

BOURBON WHISKY,
&c., &c., &c.
All genuine and cheap, wholesale and retail, at
BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT allowed wholesale purchasers of any kind of goods, At
BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES, with latest additions and improvements, at manufacturer's prices, always on hand At
BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

HATS of all sizes, styles and qualities, for Ladies and Misses, Men and Boys, can always be found at BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

A GOOD ASSORTMENT of Hardware and Saddlery, at very reasonable rates, At
BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

CROCKERY of all sorts, sold by the piece and by the crate, to suit merchants, At
BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

CHEAPEST and BEST Men's and Boys' Clothing, always on hand and made to order at the Clothing Manufactory of
BLOCH & DUPRE.

SHOES and BOOTS, the best quality, of all sizes, at BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

GRAND OPENING!
GOODS OF ALL KINDS

AT
AUCTION!!
SALES TWICE A WEEK,
Without reserve whatever—all goods to be sold to the highest bidder. Commencing at 10 A M on
Saturday, December 16th, 1871,
And from that date, Saturdays and Sundays of every week. *No Sham.* DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS, CLOTHING, &c., to be sold at what they will bring—we intend to give every purchaser a chance to get full value for his hard-earned money.
CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED,
and prompt and careful attention given to same.
SALESROOM: under the Opelousas *Courier* office.
JOREPH V. ROY & Co.,
JOSEPH V. ROY, Auctioneer.
Opelousas Dec. 9, 1871. tf

24th ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
St. Landry Medecine Depot.
Duconge's Pectoral Syrup,
After 34 years' use, is to-day conceded to be the most agreeable and surest remedy offered to the public for the rapid cure of all bronchial affections, coughs, colds, catarrhs and consumption.
Prepared by F. P. Duconge, No. 39 Charter St. New Orleans, and for sale at $1 per bottle (proprietor's price) by JOHN POSEY, Agent.
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11th.
GRAND RE-OPENING!
We believe everybody knows at what condition
C. LAZARD
No. 195 Old Levee Street, Corner St. Ann,
NEW ORLEANS, La.,
Was bound to sell out his entire stock of Summer Goods. Now he finds himself in the same condition, with his stock of WINTER GOODS amounting to $375,000, consisting of
BOYS' AND MEN'S CLOTHING,
FURNISHING GOODS;
HATS, CAPS, TRUNKS, &c.,
To be sold at the same rate, *25 per cent BELOW COST* on account of making way for a new copartnership. And before the new firm takes possession the ENTIRE STOCK
Must be Cleared Out!
Wholesale buyers, as well as retail, will do well by calling at his store, before purchasing elsewhere.
ON HAND:
1500 Overcoats, from $2 75, up
A Large Assortment of Shaker Flannel Shirts and Drawers; White and Red Flannel Shirts and Drawers; White and Colored Shirts; Woolen Overshirts; Cardigan Jackets; India Rubber Overcoats and Pants; Waterproof Oversacks and Talmas; Woolen or Cotton Socks.
A large assortment of
BLANKETS,
White and Colored, Trunks, Valises, Traveling Bags, Silk and Cotton Umbrellas, Gloves, Etc.
REMEMBER:
No. 195 Old Levee st., Corner St. Ann,
New Orleans, La.

NEW RESTAURANT!
The undersigned has established a saloon at the corner of Court and Bellevue Streets, a Restaurant where he will always have all the game, the best beef and veal the market can afford, and such vegetables that can be had.
He has made such arrangements that will keep him constantly provided with *Oysters* of the very best quality, either fresh or for cooking purposes. Prices moderate. Trials solicited.
MAURICE VILLASECA.
Opelousas, Nov. 4, 1871.

3,500 3-Feet Oak Boards on hand and for sale by J. W. CAREW,
Plaquemine Brulée, La.

CYPRESS Boards, different sizes, dressed or undressed, on hand and for sale by
J. W. CAREW,
Plaquemine Brulée, La.

SHINGLES on hand and for sale by
J. W. CAREW,
Plaquemine Brulée, La.

ALL of the above will be sold at the Store, or delivered if desired,—*and satisfaction guaranteed.* [nov18—1m

FOR SALE.
A fine breed sow, half Chester. Apply at this Office.

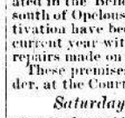
NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE FAIR
PREPARATIONS for which have been going on for some time will open on the 26th inst., at 7 o'clock P. M., in the spacious hall of the upper story of the Court House, and will continue for three nights.
This Fair is given for the benefit of the Catholic Church of Opelousas, and the public in general is invited to attend.
The fair consists of articles of every description, the greater portion of which have been donated for the purpose. An orchestra under the direction of excellent musicians will contribute to the pleasures of the occasion, and each evening will terminate with a sumptuous supper, sprinkles with refreshments suitable to the occasion.
The success of this commendable enterprise is assured from the fact that the kind ladies having the matter in hand will spare neither pains nor well directed efforts, to make the entertainment one of entire pleasure and satisfaction to all who may encourage this laudable object.
Admission:—50 Cents.

STAPLE & FANCY GROCERIES
—AT—
POPULAR PRICES!
I Would respectfully inform my friends and customers that I have just returned from the city with a choice assortment of groceries, which I will sell at *Very Low Prices for CASH!!!*
The following is a partial enumeration of my stock; Flour, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Chewing and smoking tobacco, imported cigars, pipes, pickles, preserves, hermetically sealed goods, butter and cheese, cordials, choice wines and liquors, best brands of whiskeys, and a full assortment of
FANCY ARTICLES
Embracing every variety of Confectionery, fireworks; sky-rockets, Roman candles, &c, &c, &c, secured expressly for the holidays, and to be sold
CHEAP for CASH.
W. R. COCHRAN,
cor. Court and Bellevue sts., opposite Big Mortar.
Opelousas, Dec. 9, 1871. [43—1y

FAMILY GROCERIES.
MRS. Desessarts, Main Street, near the old Union Hotel, respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage. Her grocery is well stocked with everything required for family use, such as *Hams, Potatoes, Bacon, Rice, Lard, Onions, Apples, Butter, Cheese, Oranges, Coffee, Fish, Confectionery, Wines, Cordials, Liquors, Candies, &c.*, which she will sell as cheap as can be bought elsewhere. [dec9-3m

For Rent For The Year 1872.



That richly productive and improved plantation, the property of the Estate of the late John G. Pratt and Mrs. C. W. Pratt, situated in the Bellevue Prairie, about five miles south of Opelousas. The lands heretofore in cultivation have been entirely enclosed during the current year with a new and strong fence, and repairs made on the residence.
These premises will be let to the highest bidder, at the Court House in this town at 12 M., on
Saturday December 30th, 1871,
One-third of said rent payable cash, and the residue payable on or before the first of December, 1872, for which said amount a satisfactory obligation will be required.
Public act of lease to be executed at the expense of lessee.
J. H. OVERTON,
Test. Ex'r. and Agent.
Opelousas, Nov 25th, 1871.

SELECT SCHOOL.
INTENDING to give up planting, and move back to St. Landry, I will open, about the first of January next, in Bellevue, just opposite Mr. A. B. Chachere's, a day school for a limited number of scholars. I would also secure as boarders in my son-in-law's family, four pupils who would receive my constant care and attention. For further particulars enquire of Mr. A. B. Chachere, Bellevue, or Mr. J. O. Chachere at Lefebvre & Gamard's store in Opelousas.
Nov. 25tf.] T. G. COMPTON.

NEW GROCERIES!
JUST RECEIVED!!
HAVING just returned from New Orleans with as complete and well selected stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries as can be found in the market outside of New Orleans, I am prepared to accommodate the citizens of Opelousas and vicinity with anything in my line at most reasonable prices. My present stock embraces
EVERYTHING
Usually kept in a well-regulated Grocery, including Tinware, Crockeryware, Willowware, &c.
A large and varied assortment of
NOTIONS
For the holidays, Confectionery, in endless variety, Children's Toys—made of sugar, tin, wood, paper, &c.; Choice Liquors, Wines, Whiskeys, Chewing and Smoking Tobacco, Cigars, &c.
—ALSO—
200 Barrels Choice Flour!
All of which will be sold *as cheap as the cheapest.* Call and examine and satisfy yourselves of the fact. F. MUNZESHEIMER.
Dec 2tf] Main Street, Opelousas.

BUCK'S BRILLIANT

WITHOUT AN EQUAL!
For simplicity,
Durability,
Economy of fuel,
Perfect baking,
BUCK'S BRILLIANT
The only Cooking Stove
that has baked 8 pounds of dough into good and palatable bread in 43 minutes with only 3½ lbs. of wood, for which it was awarded the
Gold Medal.
BUCK'S BRILLIANT was again awarded the
FIRST PREMIUM
at the
Texas State Fair, 1871
over all other competitors (7 in all) after actual trial baking bread.
EVERY BRILLIANT
is guaranteed to give entire SATISFACTION, or the money
REFUNDED IN FULL.
H. HALLER, No. 49, Camp St.
New-Orleans, sole agent for Louisiana.
Sole agent of the
FAMOUS RINGEN WASHER.
August 19, 1871. 1y

To Lease.
That convenient and centrally located business stand on Main Street, under the Office of the Opelousas COURIER. The room is large, and well situated for any kind of business.
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KEEPS constantly on hand a supply of split Lumber, such as SHINGLES, BOARDS, PIEUX, PICKETS, WELL CURBING, POSTS, &c., of either Cypress, Pine or Oak.
RECEIVES in exchange for merchandise or split lumber CORN, COTTON, WOOL, HIDES, Poultry, Eggs, &c., for all of which the highest market price will be paid. [41—1y

To The People of St. Landry.
Agency Mound City Mutual Life Insurance Co.,
OPELOUSAS, LA., Nov. 4th, 1871.
I BEG leave to announce that I have accepted of the Agency of the Mound City Mutual Life Insurance Company, of St. Louis Mo. My office is in the Court House, where I will be most happy to explain to all whose interest and duty requires the aid of that most benevolent of modern institutions—life insurance. The high character of the Mound City renders it unnecessary to say a word in its behalf: its policy holders are composed of some of the most intelligent and respectable citizens of this and adjoining Parishes, to whom I take great pleasure in refering to their names below. The Louisiana Department is under the control of our very best citizens, and every member director may be regarded as guardians to the widow and the orphan.
The following gentlemen compose the Louisiana Board: E. T. Merrick, C. H. Mouton, Jas. Jackson, Robt. Hare, L. A. Wiltz, Thos. Fitzwilliam, F. H. Hatch, Octave Voorhies, B. B. Simmes.
I would also refer to the cards of Mrs. Hayes, widow of the late Jas. G. Hayes of this Parish, and of Mrs. O'Bryan, of Vermilion Parish, widow of Col. Daniel O'Bryan. The promptness with which all losses are paid by this institution recommends it most strongly to the consideration of our people.
Names of policy holders: Dr. John A. Taylor, Alcée Dupré, Henry L. Garland, Joel H. Sandoz, J. J. Morgan, Thos. C. Anderson, C. C. Swayze, Dr. J. L. Estorge, J. L. Morris, Capt. Carmouche, Jos. M. Moore, A. R. Hawkins, and many others. Also, from other Parishes, a long list could be furnished, but I will only mention Gov. A. Mouton of Lafayette, and Generals Alcibiades DeBlanc and Alexandre Déclouet of St. Martin.
9] A. GARRIGUES.

JUST RECEIVED
—AT THE—
OPELOUSAS GROCERY,
—Next Door To—
POSEY'S MEDICAL DEPOT:
A Choice Assortment of
GROCERIES!
Which the undersigned proposes to sell
CHEAP FOR CASH!
I most respectfully solicit a share of the patronage of my numerous acquaintances.
WM. O. POSEY.
Sept. 30th, 1871. 3m

MEDICAL NOTICE.
A REGULAR meeting of the St. Landry Medical and Surgical Association will be held at Opelousas, the 1st Saturday of every month, at 10 o'clock A. M.
VINCENT BOAGNI, M. D.
President.
JAMES RAY, M. D., *Secretary.* [45—1y

JOSEPH M. MOORE,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
Office formerly occupied by by the late law firms of Swayze & Moore and Moore & Morgan,
OPELOUSAS, La.,
Will practice in the Courts of the 8th Judicial District.
Opelousas, April, 1871. 32tf

BOOTS & SHOES.
THE undersigned, having opened a shop in Opelousas, in the rear of the Court House, is prepared to accommodate his friends and the public, with neat and substantial Boots and Shoes at prices within the reach of all, in fact at *lower rates than any other Establishment in town.*
E. S. ANDRUS.
Opelousas, Oct. 21, 1871. tf.

TAKEN UP AS AN ESTRAY
By the undersigned, in the Town of Opelousas, on the 13th inst. a small creole horse dark bay color, aged about 10 years, branded about thus (IY. This horse has been about town since June last.
The owner is requested to come forward, prove property and pay charges, otherwise he will be disposed of according to law.
J. K. SANDOZ.
Opel. Nov. 1871. 1m.

BOOTS AND SHOES.
Mr. BAPTISTE PEFFERKORN respectfully informs his friends, customers and the public that he has just returned from New Orleans with a well assorted stock of materials, and engaged the services of competent workmen, enabling him to fill all orders entrusted to him in the best style, at moderate prices.
Ladies' Gents' and Children's Shoes
Made to order, in every style and at all prices.
BAPTISTE PEFFERKORN.
Landry Street, opposite Johnston's Stables.
Opelousas, May 27, 1871. 37tf

FOR SALE
A Town Residence, in Opelousas, agreeably situated, consisting of a brick dwelling and outhouses, with four Town Lots. For particulars apply to THEO. LASTRAPES,
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PRIVATE SCHOOL.
MRS. M. M. HAYES respectfully informs the public, that she will open a Private School, at her residence, in Opelousas, on Monday the 4th of September. Terms, $3·00 per month.
Sept. 2d, 1871.—tf.

A. BAILEY & E. D. ESTILETTE,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
WILL practice in the Courts of the Parishes of St. Landry, Lafayette, Vermillion, Calcasieu, St. Martin, St. Mary and Avoyelles.
Office:—Opelousas [Aug6—47tf

FOR RENT.
A DESIRABLE BUSINESS LOCATION, on Main Street, in the center of Opelousas.
Apply to CHAS. N. EALER.
Opelousas March 25, 1871. 28—tf.

JOHNSTON'S
LIVERY STABLE
THE undersigned respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has re-opened his Livery stable at his same old stand, on Main street, opposite Munzesheimer's, and is prepared to accommodate the traveling community with Horses, Hacks, Buggies, &c., on the most reasonable terms. *Horses fed and cared for.*
WM. M. JOHNSTON.
Opelousas, Oct. 21, 1871. 3m

MISCELLANEOUS CARDS

R. S. WILKINS,
(Successor to LOUIS STAGG.)
FORWARDING & COMMISSION
MERCHANT,
Washington, La.
HAVING leased the spacious Warehouses occupied by Mr. Louis Stagg, I am prepared to store and forward the products of the country, and hope by strict attention to business to merit the patronage of my friends and the public generally. ☞ *I am prepared to purchase COTTON and other Produce at the Market Price.*
THE undersigned, in retiring from business, takes this opportunity of thanking his friends and the public for their liberal patronage, and with pleasure recommends to them his successor, Mr. R. S. Wilkins, feeling confident that he will give perfect satisfaction in all business entrusted to his care. LOUIS STAGG.
Washington, La., Oct. 1st, 1871. 5tf.

KENNETH BAILLIO,
SUCCESSOR TO W. A. ROBERTSON & CO.,
Receiving, Forwarding and General Commission Merchant,
Corner Main and Levee Sts., Washington, La.,
RESPECTFULLY informs the public that his Warerooms are now open for the reception of Freights and Stores, for the proper care of which they are fully adequate, and customers are guaranteed against damage by rain or other accidents.
Fairbanks' Cotton Scales are kept at the Warehouse for the especial weighing of Cotton, Sugar or other produce or packages, and purchasers will always be found on hand ready to pay the market price for Cotton, Sugar, Moss, Hides or other Produce, less cost of shipment, etc.
I will advance Bagging and Ties, Provissions etc., on Cotton, Sugar or other Produce consigned through me to my friends, Messrs. Payne, Dameron & Co., of New Orleans.
My best efforts will be given to the sale of Western Produce or other Commodities that may be consigned to me to be sold on commission.
I shall be happy to give my personal attention to any business entrusted to me.
KENNETH BAILLIO.
Jan. 28, 1871. 13—1y

FALL & WINTER ARRANGEMENT.
Leaves New Orleans every Tuesday at 5 P. M.
Leaves Washington every Saturday at 10 A. M.
FOR Opelousas, Washington, Port Barry and all landings on the Coast, Atchafalaya River and Bayou Courtablean—the fine steamer

LESSIE TAYLOR,
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Will leave as above, carrying passengers and freight as cheap as any boat in the trade. The Lessie Taylor connects at Washington with the good and safe steamer Delia and line of good barges, (Capt. Crawford,) signing through bills lading to all points on Bayou Bœuf.
All freights by this steamer consigned to R. S. Wilkins' Warehouse, Washington, and R. Deshotel's Warehouse, Port Barry, will receive the strictest attention For freight or passage apply on board or to R. S. WILKINS, Agent,
10-1y] Washington, La.

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THE most durable, the least complicated and the most easily managed of all Cooking Stoves. *First Premium* awarded at the St. Louis Fair in 1865, '66, '67, and 1868; and at the Louisiana Fair in 1868, 1869 and 1870.
The undersigned having been appointed sole Agent for St. Landry for the sale of these celebrated Cooking Stoves, will constantly have on hand, at his Tin Shop in Washington, an assortment of the same, as also Fire Grates, Hollowware, manufacturer of plain and Japanned Tinware and stamped ware.
☞ Depot at Jos. Blum, Opelousas, where all orders will be promptly filled.
EUGENE LEMONTEY.
Washington, La., March 25, 1871. [28—1y

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