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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

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

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"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.

The Representatives
AND THE
represented.

Time and the usurpations of these latter days have so far transposed the order and relative position of one to the other, in the machinery of civil Government, that it has become a mooted problem, which of the two runs it, or in whose interests it is administered.

In the original organization of Representative Government, the people were recognized, and held to be the sources and depositories of all power, but in the practical exercise of those powers by the masses, whose rights and interests were alone to be conserved, there arose the absolute necessity of their delegation.

In the process toward the perfection of such a system of self-Government, some ratio of representation was required.—Or, in other words, what proportion of a constituency, would require a delegate for the faithful administration of their rights and interests and the consequent divisions and sub-divisions into Districts and Parishes. The former and larger of those divisions, embraced, in point of teritory and population, not unfrequently, several parishes with their Senatorial representation, elected for four years, and who are in reference to the supervisory trust delegated to them, the guardians of the whole and each of the several sub-divisions, and checks upon such local or partial measures, as may prejudice any portion of their common constituency.

This Senatorial District, for example, is composed of St. Landry, Lafayette and Calcasieu, and is represented by two Senators, Messrs. Anderson, of St. Landry, and Daigle, of Lafayette. The Parish of St. Landry, has its four representatives, Messrs Chacheré, Darby, Durio and Tatman. They represent singly and unitedly, every locality, class and interest, in this entire Parish. As the trustees and fiduciaries of the whole people, it seems to us their manifest duty, in times like these, to protect them to lighten their burdens, instead of creating additional ones, to do even-handed justice to each and every portion of the Parish, and in the fair and faithful exercise of duty to the masses they represent, to ignore in the doubtful advancement of any special locality, the certain ruin and sacrifice of another.

During the last session of the Legislature, notice was given of the introduction of a bill to carve out of this Parish, on its Southern boundary, the new Parish of "St. Joseph." It was the first public announcement of such a contemplated measure. In the last elections, Messrs. Darby and Durio, Democratic nominees, were chosen and elected from the same neighborhood, and it was not until safely ensconced in power, that an active, but noiseless circulation of petitions were "set on foot," in favor of that project. The rumor of such a movement, for it thus became known, was not credited at the time. It bore, upon its face, so little of those frank and manly relations, which might be supposed to exist between those gentlemen and a constituency who had so shortly before given such a manifestation of their confidence, that no credit was attached to the report. But on the announcement of an intention to present a bill to that effect, hitherto unknown to a large mass of the people included in its limits, memorials were published, circulated and signed in opposition to it. The Districts of Bellevue, Coulée Croche, upper Plaquemine, lower Plaquemine, Quen Tortue, Mermento, Pointe-aux-Loups and others, protested against it, as a measure justified by no honest pretext of convenience or public good, involving a heavy additional tax, and a flagrant violation of the rights of even a majority to enforce upon a minority the payment of a tax not justified by any claims of public or general good. Those memorials, numbering some ten or twelve hundred tax-payers, were forwarded by a deputation, sent to the Legislature to represent their opposition, were placed in the hands of Messrs. Darby, Durio and Tatman, to be by them, when occasion should require, presented to the Committee or House. The published report of the Parochial Committee of the House, to whom the bill was referred on the 25th ult., leaving no grounds to believe that those memorials were ever presented, or their opposition even communicated. The following report of the Committee show such was the case, and by the zealous advocacy of three out of four Representatives, we have been doomed, thus far, *otherwise unheard.*

"The Committee on Parochial Affairs beg leave to report that they have had under consideration House bill No. 329, an act to create the parish of St. Joseph, and to provide for the organization of the same. We have investigated the merits of this bill; it was ably discussed in the committee room. It was then suggested that the committee request the members from St. Landry to be sent for to give their views on the bill. On their arrival the case was opened, and three out of four of the Representatives from the parish of St. Landry advocated in the strongest terms the passage of the bill. Under these circumstances the committee beg leave to make a favorable report, and ask that the bill pass."

To our Representative who had the manliness and sense of justice to eschew all other considerations save duty, we return our unfeigned acknowledgement.

Other and additional remonstrances against the passage of that act have been forwarded to the Legislature, and others are in process of circulation, leaving us yet, in the event of its adoption by the House, confidence and faith in the well considered and settled views of both of our Senators in reference to the expediency of that measure.

More anon.

THE PROPER SPIRIT.—The following is from the N. O. *Picayune*, since its "new departure." We will here remark that this old established journal is now in the hands of gentlemen whose honesty of purpose and well known editorial talent and energy will wield a powerful influence for the redemption of our State from the ruin and degradation to which it has been brought by corruptionists,—both of the carpet-bag and scallawag stripe. The "People's Paper" is certainly taking the proper course by eschewing half-way measures,—we have had more than enough of that sort of humbug, and it is high time that some more effective plan were adopted for relieving our State of the incubus which is fast sending it to ——ruin.

The Picayune says:

"Some of our readers except, as we learn, to the alleged severity of our epithets against the public robbers. We intend to leave no doubt, as we make no compromise. Reform can no more be made with rose water than other revolutions. We have heard of an insane man who required a workman to take off the black dashboard of his buggy, and replace it with one of fair leather. On being asked his reason, he replied: "There is a great deal of thunder and lightning this season. This dashboard looks exactly like sheet iron at a distance. I am afraid the lightning may make a mistake and knock me out of this buggy. I wish it fired so that there can be *no possibility of a mistake in this matter.*" We intend that when popular indignation shall flash upon all who are responsible for the debt and dishonor left upon this unhappy State, after the Bohemians shall have departed, it shall not strike the Picayune. This is a very important matter, and we intend there shall be no possibility of a mistake in our position."

CIRCUS COMING.—From a letter addressed to us by Mr. D. S. Thomas, Literary Agent, for Dan Rice's Paris Pavilion Circus, we make the following extract:

New Orleans, Feb. 8th 1872.

Dan Rice with his monster circus company, will give two exhibitions in your place about the close of the present month. Our advance agent will see you in time to give date and details &c. Mr. Rice has organized a troupe composed entirely of leader in the profession, and his success in the larger cities has been something hitherto unknown in the history of arenic amusements in this country. Many of his Acrobats, Gymnasts, Equestrians and Trapese performers are secured at an expense that would be considered next to bankruptcy by any other managers in the business Your New Orleans exchanges will give some idea of the magnitude of the enterprise &c.,

We will have more to say on this promised treat in our next number.

CYPRESS FOR ATTAKAPAS RAILROADS.—The following dispatch sent us for publication will be read with interest by the lumbermen of St. Mary, Iberia, St. Martin, and other parishes of Southwestern Louisiana. Advertisements specifying the kind of cypress needed by the company will soon appear in the city and Attakapas papers:

New York, Jan. 31, 1871,

To C. A. Whitney & Co.:

Please have timber getters throughout Grand Lake country informed, by country papers in Iberville, St. Mary and St. Martin, that great quantities of cypress will be wanted for timber ties and lumber. G. W. R. BAYLEY.

The movement indicated above will throw a large amount of money into these parishes. Men of enterprise will get their share of this money, and all the people will share in the benefit. Southwestern Louisiana will now begin to take courage.

STEREOSCOPIC VIEWS.—We have seen some of the views taken in our town by that accomplished artist, Mr. H. Mancel, whose gallery in in the "Old Bank Office," adjoining the Hayes' Hotel, which are admirably executed. These views, comprising the Court House, Catholic Church, Convent, College, some os the principal streets and private dwellings, &c., &c., can be procured at his gallery, where can also be had a great variety of interesting scenery from other portions of our State.

REFORM!—Munzesheimer says that although that word "Reform" has been very much abused of late, it does not in the least prevent his selling his well assorted stock of goods at as low prices as ever, nor does it interfere with his determination to keep his store constantly replenished with all sorts of fresh groceries, including, of course, those choice brands of family flour, which is a speciality with him.

TO CONTRACTORS.—The Police Jury of the Parish of Calcasieu having made an appropriation for the erection of a new Court House, sealed proposals will be received for building the same, until the 12th of March next. Carpenters, make a note of this.

☞ The New York Sun says: "The celebrated Arabian trick horse Stephen A. Douglass, owned by Dan Rice, is the most beautiful horse in the world."

☞ Thanks to U. S. Senator Kellogg for a copy of the Report of the Commission of Agriculture.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The March number of this ever popular monthly is on our table. Its corps of writers has a reputation for excellence above that of any other. Its most correct; its steel plates the most beautiful; while in original music, model cottages, and drawing lessons *Godey* is without a rival. It contains a horticultural and health department, and the invaluable receipts for the boudoir, nursery, kitchen, house, and laundry contained in a single number are worth more than a year's subscription.

☞ New Music! Good Music! Cheap Music! can now be had for a *mere trifle*, if you understand *how to buy it.* We know *the secret*, and would advise all our musical friends who want *good music*, and *plenty of it*, to get a sample copy of "*Peters' Musical Monthly.*" Every number contains four or five Piano Songs, three or four instrumental Pieces, besides Vocal Duets, Quarters, and four-hand pieces, and all for 30 cents.

You can get five back numbers for $1. by addressing the publisher, J. L. Peters, 599 Broadway, New York. Try it, and you will get more good music than you can buy in sheet form for $20.

☞ *Well's Illustrated Annual of Phrenology and Physiognomy* for 1872 is full of interesting matter. There are eighty engravings. Man's place in nature; good heads and bad characters; Phrenology defined; practical phrenology; science and religion; physiognomy; physiology; the nose; Rev. Dr. Milman; Hon. Charles Sumner; Hon Jacob M. Howard; Emperor of Germany and Generals; Paul B. Du Chaillu; Mother Ann Lee, the Shaker; Several eminent preachers; Orang-Outand; Jno. A. Roebling, the great engineer; selffshness and liberality; experience in phrenology; longevity of man and animals; the teacher—mental culture; Outlines of phrenology illustrated, with instruction, etc. Price, only 25 cts. Address, Office *Phrenological Journal*, 389 Broadway, New York.

Instant action demanded.

(*From the N.-O. Picayune, 10th Feb.*)

The public are not duped by the professions of reform, nor misled by legislative manœuvres, nor diverted from their just demands by the startling exposures of a national investigation. They demand action, instant action.

There is no distinction of public censure. It falls upon all offenders, without respect to party or color. It demands the repeal of these evil laws, and we say with great deliberation that the people of New Orleans will have these reforms—that no prevarication or delay can defeat them.

There are six subjects of momentous importance. 1. The registration. 2. The election law. 3. Bribery and corruption. 4. Metropolitan police. 5. The public printing. 6. Funding and finance. The Citizens' Committee of Fifty-One have, it is understood, prepared and are ready to communicate to the Legislature the will of the people upon these subjects.

The Legislature should lay all pending business upon the table and make each one of these bills the order of the day, for six consecutive days on and after Monday the 12th inst. The Governor should sign each bill as soon as enrolled. We wish to impress earnestly upon the authorities the importance of this action. They will be held to a rigid responsibility. We admonish them to cast away any hope that this obligation can be evaded. As the friends of peace, order, and the business of the city, we implore them to remember that popular indurance may be tried too far, that exclusion from representation and suffrage, burdensome taxation, and flagrant robbery may exasperate men beyond the control of reason or fear of consequences. We wish to avoid this. The people daily demand to know, will those reform measures pass!

They must know within a very few days. They have no intention that a respite granted for repentance shall be devoted to further wrong. They cannot be deceived. They watch with suspicion every sand that drops from the waning hours of the session. They can see in the pretended zeal of a functionary the secret influence of an obstructive purpose. They know how profuse professions of interest in the success of a measure can be counteracted by dilatory motions. They comprehend how a committee raised to satisfy public suspecion can be so constituted as to conceal the very abuses it was intended to expose. It will be a sad thing for this city and State that these measures should fail. Better even for the harpies of the lobby that they should forego their rapacious repast than lose all chance for it. We mean this admonition well. Let it be heeded by those to whom it is addressed, and who are most deeply interested in it. We are ourselves.

RAILROAD.—Concerning our prospects for an early completion of the New Orleans, Mobile and Texas R. R. through this section, the N. O. *Times* says:

"We have satisfactory assurances that the new directory of this company will proceed with the utmost dispatch and energy to finish the line of this road via Donaldsonville to Grand River, and if the stage of water will permit, to push forward the road from Grand River to Vermillionville. The apprehension that this route would be neglected or postponed is altogether groundless. The abundant resources of the company will be applied without stint to the prosecution of this work. Meantime the work on the line from Brashear to the west bank of the Sabine has been given to contractors than whom there are none in the country who are more responsible. Their large interest in the enterprise gives the strongest assurance of their zeal and earnestness in pushing it to an early completion so as to make their securities marketable. They promise to complete the work and secure railroad connections with the Sabine before the expiration of the present year. This looks like extravagance but these contractors are of the class of men who rarely fail to fulfill their promises and who enter upon their work with great zeal and with a very large interest dependent upon rapid achievement.

☞ The Congressional Committee now in session in this city have brought to light many strange facts in the last few days. The corruptions which have been lurking in darkness all around us are startling. The moral pestilence has crept into houses which the public thought were free from these contaminations. The corruptions which radicalism has brought to the city and State are of the most damning character. How humiliating that citizens of Louisiana, many of them men of wealth and influence, should secretly join these alien enemies in obtaining the spoils of office and in piling up State and city debts mountain high.—*N. O. Picayune.*

☞ The Legislature now in session in this city is working on a new programme, devised at the same time that the late message of the Governor made its appearance. The Governor's friends many of them profess to have "gone back on him." In their seats and on the floor they pretend to feel a careless indifference to his wishes. Some of them even ridicule his grave requests and propositions.

Let the people be on their guard. This is all a studied play, practiced behind the curtain. The Governor is the star actor. It means delay, and the defeat of the reforms demanded by the people. Nothing else.—*N. O. Picayune.*

☞ The Louisville, Ky., *Courier-Journal* says: G. W. R. Briley, Esq., Superintendent of the New Orleans, Mobile and Texas railroad, was in our city yesterday, the guest of D. L. Field. He is here for the purpose of contracting for an iron bridge over the Bayou Lafourche. It is thought that he will close the contract with the Louisville Bridge Company.

☞ Read the advertisements,—it will pay.

THE IBERIA RACE COURSE.—The race course of the Messrs. Smith, adjoining our town below, is now rapidly nearing completion and the programme of the approaching races may be found in our new advertising column of to-days issue. The opening races will commence on Thursday, Feb. 22nd, and continues three days, closing on Saturday. Purses amounting in the aggregate, to several hundred dollars will be offered. The largest purse being $200, mile heats, the first horse getting $150; the second $50: A purse of $100 for a ¾ mile dash. A purse $75, ½ mile dash, second horse to save his entrance. ½ mile dash, for Creole horses only, for $50. On the third day a stake race will be run, ½ mile dash $25 entrance, $50 to be added, to be run by horses owned west of the Mississippi, second horse to save his entrance. Purse $50, ½ mile dash for horses owned in Attakapas parishes only, second horse to save his entrance. This is the best improved race track in western Louisiana, and when the owners have had time to fully improve it, will be excelled by none in the State. In our next issue we will give our readers a description of the course, and i the article propse to speak briefly of the advantages to be derived by our people, as a community, from this course.

Parties having horses to run at this meeting should begin to prepare them. Several fine horses are expected from New Orleans and other points. In point of number and variety of matches, the approaching meeting on the Iberia Race Course will excel anything that has before occurred in this section.

☞ 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.

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OFFICE:—80 Main Street, New Orleans.
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Photographs, Views, Ambrotypes, &c., &c.
A Beautiful Chromotype for 50 Cents!
Satisfaction Guaranted to All, or No Charge!!
☞ Children's Likenesses a Speciality.
Come and see Specimens at the Old Bank Office, adjoining the Hayes' Hotel.
Opelousas, February 3d, 1872.

OYSTER SALOON.
—BY—
MAURICE VILLASECA.
Corner Court and Bellevue Streets.
HAVING made arrangements to keep constantly supplied with fresh oysters, he is prepared to supply families with small or large quantities at reasonable prices. Call and try some. ☞ Oysters served in any style, and at all hours. [feb 10—3m

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 St., and is prepared to accommodate the traveling public with Horses, Hacks, Buggies, &c., on reasonable terms. ☞ Horses fed and cared for.
6—1y] WM. M. JOHNSTON.

NE PLUS ULTRA,
A NEW GLEE-BOOK,
WITH PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT.
Price, $1.50 each; $15 per dozen.
Wherever the "*Ne Plus Ultra*" *Glee-Book* has been introduced, it has been pronounced superior to all other works works of its kind. It is the largest, latest, finest, and only collection of New Glees and Quartets, nearly all of which have Piano Accompaniments, *ad lib.*
☞ Sample copies mailed post-paid, for $1.50.
J. L. PETERS,
22—7t] 599 Broadway, New-York.

NOTICE.
I AVAIL myself of this opportunity to announce to the public in general and to my friends that I am keeping a Warehouse in Washington, situated immediately above the old Pitre & Carrière Warehouse.
I am opposed to no one; I am in competition with no one; I am independent, and I work for and with all. I rely upon a share of the patronage of all. G. CARRIERE.
Washington, La., Jan. 27, 1872. 20—4t

NOTICE.
Dissolution of Copartnership.
THE copartnership existing under the style and firm Pitre & Carrière is now dissolved by mutual consent.
Those indebted to said firm will please call and settle with either party, and any claims against said firm will also be settled by either party. G. CARRIERE,
F. L. PITRE.
Washington, La., Jan. 27, 1872. 1m

TO THE PUBLIC.
THE undersigned tenders his sincere thanks to the public, for the liberal share of their patronage to him for the last fifteen years, and respectfully informs them that he will continue at the old stand to receive and forward freight, and hopes by his personal attention to business, to merit his share of patronage.
The highest market price paid for Cotton, at his Warehouse. F. L. PITRE.
Washington, La., January 27, 1872. [20—1y

Fresh Garden, Flower, Tree and Shrub, Evergreen, Fruit and Herb Seeds, Prepaid by Mail. A complete and judicious assortment, 25 sorts of either class, $1 00 The six classes, (150 packets) for $5 00. Also, an immense stock of one year grafted Fruit Trees, small fruits, fruit stocks, young fruit, ornamental and evergreen seedlings, bulbs, roses, vines, house and border plants, &c, &c., the most complete assortment in America. Prepaid by mail. Priced catalogues to any address, also trade lists, gratis. Seeds on commission. Agents Wanted.
B. M. WATSON, Old Colony Nurseries and seed Warehouse, Plymouth, Mass. Established 1842. [22—6t

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, Aleée 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.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BLOCH & DUPRE
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Of the best kind, such as
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At prices to suit the times, constantly on hand
At BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

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COGNAC, PORT WINE,
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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.

CROCKERY of all sorts, sold by the piece and by the crate, to suit merchants, At
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CHEAPEST and BEST Men's and Boys' Clothing, always on hand and made to order at the Clothing Manufactory of
BLOCH & DUPRE.

A GOOD ASSORTMENT of Hardware and Saddlery, at very reasonable rates, At
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SHOES and BOOTS, the best quality, of all sizes, at BLOCH & DUPRE'S.

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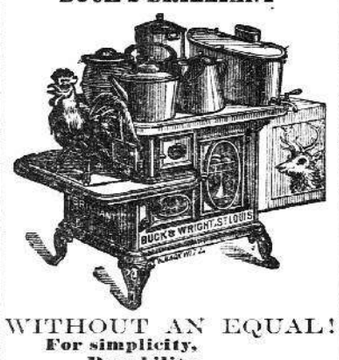

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August 19, 1871. 1y

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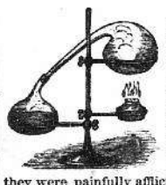
The reputation this excellent medicine enjoys, is derived from its cures, many of which are truly marvellous. Inveterate cases of Scrofulous disease, where the system seemed saturated with corruption, have been purified and cured by it. Scrofulous affections and disorders, which were aggravated by the scrofulous contamination until they were painfully afflicting, have been radically cured in such great numbers in almost every section of the country, that the public scarcely need to be informed of its virtues or uses.
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Syphilis or *Venereal* and *Mercurial Diseases* are cured by it, though a long time is required for subduing these obstinate maladies by any medicine. But long continued use of this medicine will cure the complaint. *Leucorrhœa* or *Whites, Uterine Ulcerations*, and *Female Diseases*, are commonly soon relieved and ultimately cured by its purifying and invigorating effect. Minute Directions for each case are found in our Almanac, supplied gratis. *Rheumatism* and *Gout*, when caused by accumulations of extraneous matters in the blood, yield quickly to it, as also *Liver Complaints, Torpidity, Congestion* or *Inflammation* of the *Liver*, and *Jaundice*, when arising, as they often do, from the rankling poisons in the blood. This *SARSAPARILLA* is a great restorer for the strength and vigor of the system. Those who are *Languid* and *Listless, Despondent, Sleepless*, and troubled with *Nervous Apprehensions* or *Fears*, or any of the affections symptomatic of *Weakness*, will find immediate relief and convincing evidence of its restorative power upon trial.
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Chewing and Smoking Tobacco,
GROCERIES,
(Fancy and Staple.)
Crockery, Bagging and Ties. A fair reduction is also offered on
Corn & Oats.
All for Cash on Delivery.
P. J. LEFEBVRE, Agt.
Opelousas, Jan. 27, 1872. 20—tf.

CARRIAGE SHOP.
Thankful for the patronage heretofore extended to me by the citizens of St. Landry, I solicit a further continuation of their favors; and beg leave to inform them that I will always be ready to accommodate them in any branch of my business, at reasonable prices for cash only. All work hereafter if not paid for on delivery will be charged 10 per cent. additional for immediate collection.
I have on hand Hacks and Buggies which I will sell cheap for cash. Hacks and Buggies made to order. S. P. CLARK.
Opelousas, January 20, 1872. 19tf.

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.

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

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

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

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

P. L. HEBRARD,
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE in and for the Parish of St. Landry. Office on Bellevue Street, Opelousas.—Refer to Mayo's Drug Store.
Opelousas, January 14, 1871. 1y

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.

OPELOUSAS TIN SHOP.
EVERY description of Copper, Tin and sheet-iron work done at short notice by
W. LIGHTLY,
cor. Main and Bellevue sts.,
nov9. 3m] opposite Bloch & Dupré's.

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

MASONIC.
GORDY R.·. A.·. CHAPTER, 32, meets at the Humble Cottage Lodge, No. 19, at Opelousas, the first Tuesday after the full moon, at 7 o'clock P. M. JAS. RAY, H. P.
K. H. BODEMULLER, Secretary. [Aug6tf

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.
Possession given on the 1st of January, 1872. Apply at the Courier office.

For Sale,
400 Acres of Wood and Prairie Land, situated on Plaquemine Brulée Bayou. The Chatanooga R. R. survey divides the land in half. Apply at this Office, or to C. C. Duson, at the Sheriff's Office.

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.

BLANKS
—FOR—
Justices of the Peace, Notaries, Auctioneers, &c., &c.,
Can be had at this Office, on short notice and at Moderate Prices. Call and examine Styles, Prices, &c.

FOR SALE.
A second-hand Family Carriage, cheap. Apply to C. C. DUSON,
26—tf.] at Sheriff's Office, Opelousas

MISCELLANEOUS CARDS

THE ONE PRICE STORE!
Quick Sales!! Small Profits!!!
JOSEPH W. CAREW,
DEALER IN
GROCERIES, DRY GOODS,
—AND—
PLANTATION SUPPLIES,
ROBERT'S COVE
(Near James Webb's Mill,)
Plaquemine Brulee,
Parish of St. Landry La.
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. [44—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 Courtableau—the fine steamer
LESSIE TAYLOR,
M. KENISON, Master; T. JOBIN, Clerk;
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.

BUCK'S BRILLIANT
COOKING STOVE,
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, Hollow-ware, 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

Washington Butchery.

The undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Washington and vicinity that he is retailing at the Market House, every morning fresh meat (beef and veal) of the first quality, at the rate of seven cents per pound. Those who take a quarter or a fraction thereof can have meat even under 7 cents per pound.
He takes this opportunity to offer his thanks to the public for the patronage accorded him in this occasion. PIERRE CHARLY.
Washington 26 August 1871. 501f

FOR SALE AT PRIVATE SALE.
A PLANTATION situated at Chataguer, (11 miles from Opelousas) measuring 165 arpents of land, 90 of which well timbered, having a good dwelling 36 feet in length, well finished, and other improvements, the whole in good condition.—Can be bought very cheap, the greatest part of the amount upon a reasonable credit.
For price and other particulars, apply at the office of the Opelousas Courier or to the undersigned, on the premises.
ZEPHIRIN MANUEL.
St. Landry, September 9, 1871.

J. A. D'HEMECOURT. HENRY CHAURANT.
The Only steam Manufactory of Confectionery in the South.
Silver Medals, Diplomas and Premiums Awarded
H. CHAURANT & Co.,
Successor to Ernest Turpin, Manufacturers and wholesale dealers in Stick Candy (the best made) French and Fancy Candies, Sugar Toys, Chocolates, Jellies, Syrups, Fruits, all sorts of dry and Ginger Cakes, Fire-works, Surprise and Cash Boxes, etc., etc. No. 62 Old Levee Street,
L. MEDAL, Traveling agent.
nov18 6m] New Orleans, La.

A. C. LANDRY, *of St. Martinsville.* LOUIS A. GODEFROY, *of Opelousas*
LANDRY & GODEFROY,
WHOLESALE GROCERS,
No. 46 Old Levee Street,
Between Bienville and Customhouse.
Jan 13-1y] New Orleans, La.

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AND
IMPORTER,
59 *Magazine St.*, - - - *New Orleans, La.*
☞ Speciality of Choice Wines, Brandies and Liquors. [Jan 13 no18—7t

J. L. COURET,
Cotton and Sugar Factor,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT,
No. 18, Conti Street,
37tf.] NEW ORLEANS, LA.

To the Travelling Public.
IN the absence of any present convenience between Opelousas and Bayou Chicot, for the private entertainment of man and horse, the undersigned will receive, in the Town of Ville Plate, all who may call upon him at his residence in said Town.
OCTAVE DAIRE.
Ville Plate Nov. 11, 1871. tf.

NOTICE.
Steamer PEERLESS will leave New Orleans next Saturday for Washington, Opelousas and all way landings.
H. H. BROAD, *Master*, A. P. TROUSDALE, *Clerk.*
January 6, 1872. 3m

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,
nov18tf.] Washington, La.

SAPOLIO
Is for sale at Posey's.

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