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OPELOUSAS:  
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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT: HORACE GREELEY.  
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT: B. GRATZ BROWN.

UNITED STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR, JOHN MCENERY,  
OF Ouchita Parish.

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, B. F. JONAS,  
OF Orleans.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE, A. D. LAFARGUE,  
OF Avoyelles.

FOR AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, DANIEL DENNETT,  
OF St. Mary.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL, H. N. OGDEN,  
OF Orleans.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION, R. M. LUSHER,  
OF Orleans.

Roads and Bridges.

We have lately heard some complaint from persons interested in having the bridges across the bayous Marie Croissant and Teche, on the road—the old public road—from Opelousas to Bayou Lande, against the Police Jury, for neglecting so long a public work so much needed, and of such great importance to a large number of citizens and tax-payers. We have heard it stated that a month ago, two petitions nominously signed by persons residing in and about Opelousas, Prairie Basse, Barry's Landing, Petit Bois, &c., were sent up and placed in the hands of the member representing that section of country in the Jury, asking for an appropriation to re-construct those bridges, and put this public and much needed road in condition to be used by the public. But, though the Police Jury has had two sections of the petition, it would seem from the published proceedings of that body, that it has taken no notice of those petitions.

The signers of those petitions are, at a loss to wonder why their petitions have been thus disregarded. They have discovered from those published proceedings, that petitions from other portions of the Parish—upon no grounds—entitled to more consideration than theirs—have been received and favorably acted upon. Why should theirs be passed by without even a word of recognition?

The Constable will sell, at his domicile, on Monday next, twenty-old hogs found running at large in the streets in contravention of ordinances of our Town.

More Straws and "Predictions."

"One of the prominent headlines of the Bourbon party declares that the Democratic State Convention has nominated a ticket in favor of Horace Greeley, and that it is a matter of course that the Convention will be held on the 5th of August next, and is intended on one thing—the placing of Warmoth at the head of the State ticket there to be put in nomination. The evidence of the correctness of this prediction, heretofore made by us, as well as by many others of our confidants, are daily multiplying before the people.

Sometimes an effort—a feeble one to be sure—is made by the *Republicans*, and other papers and parties devoted to Warmoth and his policy to disprove this charge. But after, in the course of the same issue of the paper containing such efforts, may be found irrefragable proof of the contrary. For instance, in the issue of July 17 will be found a correspondence between D. B. Penn, President of the Liberal Executive Committee, and Gov. Warmoth, brought about for the purpose of enlightening J. B. Walton, and through him, many whose minds have been disturbed by the rumors which state that the Liberal party movement has been gotten up in the interest of the Governor.

Mr. Penn sent Mr. Walton's letter of inquiry to the truth of these rumors, to Gov. Warmoth, in order that he might be himself by his answer, might at once demonstrate to the country at large that there was no truth in them. Does the Governor's letter of response do this? Read it and you shall judge for yourselves. He of course has the good sense to appear modest, and to disclaim any desire or attempt to control the Liberal movement; but he does not deny that the Liberal movement, as he terms it, is favorable to his re-election. On the contrary, he seems to intimate that his name will be before the Convention on the 5th of August, and actually tender himself to it as a candidate for something. He says "I would therefore say to you that my name and services are entirely at the disposal of the party, for any purpose, or in any manner that may seem wise and judicious to the convention of its representatives." It is idle for the Liberals any longer to deny that H. C. Warmoth is the choice of many who will be in the Convention for the next Governor of Louisiana. It is not only since the organization of the party under that name, that "so-called" Democrats have been going over to Warmoth. The work of converting Democrats to the faith of Warmoth or carpet-bagism was begun by the Cincinnati Convention, and Greely was thought of in connection with the Presidency. Many of them were felt when it was proposed to change the article of the Constitution of the State which rendered the Governor ineligible for a second term. They were felt a little sooner, and went much farther towards their new faith when a repeal of the Election, Registration, Printing and Constabulary Bill failed. They are fully with the Warmoth-Liberal movement now, and will take the first step that will bring them up to their choice in this mire on the 5th of August, and we are greatly mistaken. They may be disappointed. *Non servens.*

From Whom any Reform be Expected.

Keep it before the people, that there is no hope of reform in the administration of our State or municipal governments as long as they remain in the hands of Warmoth, or his partisans, whether they call themselves Democrats, Liberal Republicans, Reformers or Radicals.

That if we really wish for reform, we must send no man to the Legislature, nor vote for any man for any office who has identified himself with Warmoth, his faction, and their corrupt practices, it matters not what he may call himself—there are such men in every Parish in the State; they have not the moral courage to announce themselves as supporters and partisans of Warmoth; they have always professed to be Democrats; and have belonged to that portion—a very small one indeed—of the Democratic party which has been incited with the views of Warmothism.

Beware of them!

Emerson Bentley, editor of the *Atchafalaya Register* has hoisted the name of our fellow parishioner, Elbert Grant, as a candidate for Congress for the District. Mr. Bentley has made some changes as well as Mr. Grant, his favorite in his politics, since we knew him in this town in 1868. He was at that time teaching one of our public colored schools, and editing a newspaper known as the *Progress*. He was then a radical Radical Republican, and his paper was the organ, in this Parish, of his party. Its weekly issues teemed with articles of a political nature, filled with appeals to the prejudices and worst passions of the colored people. These insidious emanations of a fanatical brain went far, very far, towards precipitating that unhappy conflict between the whites and colored people in this Parish in the fall of 1868, which, but for the counsel and action of cool headed, humane and moderate men among the whites, would have resulted much more disastrously than it did.

Emerson Bentley, though young, had quite a controlling position among the colored people of this Parish. He might, if he had desired, have prevented any outbreak.

When the trouble which he had been so instrumental in bringing about came, the carpet-bag leader did just as the colored people of this Parish had been warned—such man would do in the event of trouble—he fled—deserted his post, his friends—and ingloriously fled from the scene of action and danger. Since then he has been in the Legislature as a Representative from St. Mary. No doubt he has filled his pockets well; he is still within that magic circle. No wonder that he should have a feeling for our fellow parishioner. In those days of trouble he was what? He was not an avowed radical; at a later period, a few months since, he became a Grand Republican, for he attended a meeting of members of that party held at our sister town, Washington, which adopted resolutions endorsing both Grant and Warmoth. Then, a short time afterwards—a very short time—he worked his way with Warmoth to Cincinnati, and then and there quit Grant and took to Greely and to Warmoth.

The proceedings of the Liberal mass meeting held here on the 29th ult., not having been handed in at our office in time for insertion in our issue of July 27th, and having been published in the *Journal* of that date, we consider it useless to reproduce the same in our columns at this late date, particularly as we are not aware that any appropriation was made for defraying the expenses of said publication.

A quarterly meeting of Opelousas Fire Co. No. 1, takes place this evening at 3 o'clock at the Engine House. A punctual attendance is requested—in full uniform.

We do not believe that a dozen men, white and black, could be drummed up to day, in this Parish, who are avowed partisans of Warmoth. We will see how many there will be after the 9th of August.

The Central Democratic Committee of the Parish of Iberville having been infected with the contagion which turns the heads of weak minds, assembled on the 29th of July, and disbanded—not the committee—but the Democratic party! There is presumption for you. Well, it is just such acts of audacity which are well by our neighbor, but the *Journal*, which says of the death—yes, of the death—of the Democratic party.

What an everlasting tough corpse that "dead Democracy" must be, persistently pecked at by the buzzards.

Our readers probably remember that Mr. Elbert Grant was recommended as a candidate for Congress from this District by a meeting of the National Republicans of Washington, a month or two ago, at which meeting resolutions were adopted endorsing Grant and Warmoth with much emphasis.

Well, now, how does this chameleon politician stand. He is an avowed Greely and Brown partisan, and an earnest supporter of Warmoth, and his friends claim that his nomination for Congress by the mass meeting of the Liberal Congress held in our town on the 20th of July, was useless, as he is the first choice of all and will be supported at the Convention of the 9th of August, which is of a different stripe and title.

Indeed, there seems to be one plank on *his* platform which entitles him to shift from one party to another with as much ease as Jack Tar would slip on an exhausted crew of tobacco and take a new one.

Gen. Beauregard on the Political Situation.

We make the following extract from an article in the *N. O. Picayune*, under the above heading, and commend it to some of Warmoth's admirers in this Parish:

"We have too much respect for Gen. Beauregard, and gratitude for his services to the country, to commend him in an unqualified manner as an expression of opinion which he probably did not write for publication. But as it has gone into print, with its without his knowledge and consent, there is no reason why we should withhold an expression of regret felt by many of the General's true friends that he should be found commending a man whom he has denounced as a traitor." Gen. Beauregard has said that if Warmoth was re-elected Governor of Louisiana in November next he would at once prepare to abandon his home in this place and establish himself elsewhere, because, said he, "Louisiana will be sent to live in hell." What has occurred since that time to change his opinion of Gov. Warmoth, and to be not only willing to tolerate him for as transparent a traitor as was ever planned and executed by that insatiable man?

At a meeting of the 3d Ward Democratic Club of New Orleans, on the 4th July, Col. Small said, in relation to the Liberal Republican party in this State:

"His organization was simply a desperate attempt of the Governor to save himself and his friends from utter ruin and oblivion. Warmoth would count on these 8000 or holders throughout the State to support his new party; then, on a few hundreds of persons who had sold their hands to him, and given him rich on ill-gotten gains; then on a few so-called Democrats and Reformers, and then on new personal friends, who had been mixed up so deeply in his dirty and nefarious schemes that they knew no one else would have them but Warmoth. Give him and his new party 10000 votes at what cost, they do it all or sell out to the Kellogg party; or else they may possibly so divide the opposition vote to Radicalism as to give the State to Kellogg and Grant anyhow. On their heads be this result."

Many new-dressed Liberal Republicans, who had been Democrats, remained in their new party because, they say, the new Democratic-Republican ticket cannot be elected; and it cannot be elected because Warmoth, by his control of the registration and election laws, can count out, or count in, any votes he chooses. Col. Small proved from the last law of Congress on this subject, as especially prepared for the Louisiana election, that Gov. Warmoth was in fact deprived of his control of the ballot boxes; and that his alleged success of having two ballot boxes would be stopped."

A Contrast.

If Gov. Warmoth is a sincere believer in Mr. Greely, and is also given to habits of conscientious self-examination, he should be greatly pained. Mr. Greely is the most zealous and most distinguished advocate in the country of the principle of a single executive term. He holds that the expediency of having two ballot boxes would be stopped."

The Democratic ticket was in the field first. It is the oldest and strongest party. It is necessary to break up any organization, and soon secure the adoption of a new ticket, if the Liberals really desire to save the State, let them support the united ticket, and let the people decide for themselves. If the mountain does not come to them (and it certainly will not), let them go to the mountain.

DEED.—In Washington, La., on the 28th July, JOSEPH URBAN, a native of France aged about 76 years.

NOTICE.

I will hereafter retail beef and veal at 6 cents per pound, at the market house Opelousas, and moreover, I assure my customers that I will never compromise with any one, as has been said of me, which I have never done, and whoever has said the same is a liar. My customers may continue to patronize me without fear of my abandoning my long-cherished principle.

1872. 1872. LOW WATER ARRANGEMENT.

The new, light draft and staunch passenger packet *Freemont*, Capt. Kenison having purchased the Trenton expressly for the New Orleans, Opelousas and Washington trade, she will commence her regular trips from New Orleans to Washington on the 1st of September, and continue until high water, when she will be succeeded by the fine passenger steamer *Leslie Taylor*.

THE PUBLIC EXHIBITION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PREMIUMS will take place on the 17th of August, at the Exposition, under the patronage of the State. The Exercises will be held at 10 o'clock, on August 3d, 1872—3d.

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CANDIDATES: FOR CONGRESS.

I respectfully announce myself as an independent candidate for Congress from the Third Congressional District, St. Mary's Parish.

FOR THE STATE SENATE.

We are authorized to announce THOMAS C. ANDERSON as a candidate for State Senator from the Tenth Senatorial District composed of the parishes of Calcasieu, Cameron, Lafayette and St. Landry.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

We are authorized to announce L. DABBY as a candidate for the lower branch of the Legislature at the November election.

Editor Courier—Please announce that I am a candidate for the lower branch of the Legislature at the November election.

Editor Courier—Please announce in the columns of your paper our esteemed friend Dr. JAS. DONOVAN as a candidate for the Lower House of the Legislature, at the coming election in November next. It would be useless for us to recommend the Doctor to the people by whom he is so well known, but we do say that if we are fortunate enough to elect such a man as Dr. Donovan, the Parish will be better represented than it has been for many years.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

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Mr. Warmoth is a member of the national executive committee of the Liberal party. Mr. Warmoth considering himself the chief of the Greelyites in Louisiana makes application to Mr. Greely for the necessary funds for the electoral campaign. It is his friend, Mr. Sherman to whom he entrusts his message to the President of the Republic.

"The sage of Chappinay" told Mr. Sheridan: "As Presidential candidate, I know in New Orleans but one man who is a Liberal, president of the Democratic Central Committee."

Avoyelles is decidedly against compromise with the people of Louisiana in convention assembled have declared that any bargain with Warmoth is infamous, that any such party is a disgrace to the State, and that any such party is a disgrace to the State, and that any such party is a disgrace to the State.

But if, as the Democrats assert, they have a majority in number over the Liberal Republicans in Louisiana, why not go into the August convention with them and let the majority exercise in the deliberations of that body its legitimate influence? Warmoth's Republicanism.

The undersigned Judge of the 8th Judicial District, is a candidate for another term, for office he now holds. For whom he is expected to be elected in his judicial capacity in the future, he refers to his past services on the Bench.

Editor Courier—Please announce me as a candidate for the office of Judge of the 8th Judicial District, at the election of next November.

I am a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the 8th Judicial District, at the election of next November.

We are authorized to announce Judge A. GARRIGUES as a candidate for Parish Judge of the Parish of St. Landry, at the election of November next.

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We are authorized to announce JAMES D. COLE as a candidate for Coroner of the Parish of St. Landry at the election in November next.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

We are authorized to announce P. LEONCE HERRARD, the present incumbent, as Justice of the Peace for the 1st Ward, at the election of November next.

POLITICAL.

DEMOCRATIC-REFORM CLUB.

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NOTICE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF OPELOUSAS.

On motion, it is resolved that all outstanding warrants, and those to be hereafter issued, shall be returned in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Clerk of the Board, and that said warrants must be presented by the holders thereof, to be registered, within thirty days from the publication of these presents, and in default thereof, said warrants to be annulled and not paid.

On motion, it is resolved that the ordinance authorizing the Constable to kill hogs roaming at large within the limits of this Town is hereby repealed; and that hereafter all hogs found running at large in the town shall be taken up by the Constable and impounded, and if not redeemed and costs paid within six days from the time of their being taken up, they shall be sold by the Constable for the benefit of the town. And that the Constable be allowed the sum of 25 cts. for each hog so taken up.

All persons furnishing a family with the necessary articles of life desire to purchase their goods where they can get

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in your purchase by purchasing of us. You will not only buy cheap, but if you have Cotton, Wool or Hides, you will always find us ready to pay the highest price to be obtained

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Point aux Loups Springs.

The undersigned takes this mode of notifying the public that he is now in readiness to receive all those who please to visit him at the above place of pleasure and recreation, as well as those who may be impelled from indisposition to have recourse to him for the remedial agency of its waters. These Springs are situated on the Bayou des Canes, distant about 34 miles Southwest of the town of Opelousas. Among the numerous springs there to be found, may be had such as are found abundantly with Sulphur and preparations of Iron. The springs are very abundant, and in one instance three of the streams form a large basin which affords a magnificent bathing place. The waters of the said basin can be entirely renewed every hour, a circumstance which is certainly calculated to add much to its purity. At the distance of some five hundred yards from the principal bathing place there is, besides this, another which is furnished with an abundant stream of water, the coldness of which can almost be compared to that of ice.

In announcing the opening of his Establishment, the undersigned does not pretend to offer the same to the public as a fashionable watering place, where fine dressing may be exhibited with the other general accompaniments. His object, on the contrary, is to offer to the afflicted a means through which a shackled constitution may be restored to health. The remedial agency of these waters in the relief of Dyspepsia, in the permanent cure of cutaneous eruptions, from past experience, now stands uncontradicted.

The establishment consists of comfortable dwellings, with all the necessary furniture which may be required at such a place, and the table will be always amply furnished with whatever edible may seem best to suit the tastes of visitors. An excellent pasture in which horses may be kept with safety, will be at the disposal of such as may desire it, as well as extra, fodder, &c.

The charges of the undersigned will be moderate, and he feels satisfied that his visitors will not only be satisfied with the accommodations which they may receive, but that they will be also equally contented with the degree of health which they may obtain from the healthful use of the waters of the different Springs.

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DR. D. W. FOSTER.

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Residence:—Cane Mound, Bayou de la Chacriere, where he may be found during the night. [May 4, 1872—ly]

NEW BARBER SHOP.

HAVING recently opened a Shaving and Hair Cutting Saloon on Main St., between Hancock and Duval streets, am prepared to do Hair-cutting, Shaving, Shampooing, &c. A share of the patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.—Charges Reasonable, and Satisfaction Guaranteed.

WM. HERR, Jr. Opelousas, June 15, 1872.

NEW MEAT MARKET.

The undersigned begins this morning at the market-house the sale of Beef and veal meat at 10 cents per pound at retail. Considering the circumstances, he conceives it his duty to secure, and the many advantages in his favor, he can assure the citizens of Opelousas and vicinity that he will continue in the business without compromise.

CHARLES F. BURR. Opelousas, June 15, 1872.

Desirable Property For Sale.

SITUATED in the centre of Ville Plate, on the same heretofore belonging to Marcel Driest, consisting of 12 arpents of land on the principal street, with a comfortable dwelling, a large store building 50x30 ft. kitchen, stable, out houses, &c. For particulars apply to the "Courier" office, Opelousas, or to the proprietor on the premises. Price, \$5,000—\$200 cash balance on a reasonable note.

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TO EMIGRANTS.

The undersigned is agent for the sale of a tract of land situated about 12 miles from Opelousas containing about 5000 arpents, about one-third of which is woodland. Parties in need of land can purchase the whole tract, or in lots of 50 arpents or more, at reasonable prices and favorable terms. For particulars, apply to N. QUATREVAUX, Opelousas.

Those who wish using, or cutting wood on this land, without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. [Feb 24—ly] N. QUATREVAUX.

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