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Candidate for Clerk.

Mr. J. M. Brown of Washington.

Duson of St. Landry.

The Career of a Noted Capturer of Criminals.

A Remarkable Record of Detective Skill and Personal Bravery.

Most Noted Exploits.

Correspondence of The Times-Democrat.

OPELOUSAS, October 30, 1883.

The subject of this sketch was born in Lower Plaquemine, St. Landry parish, on the 31st of August, 1816, and is, therefore, now 67 years of age.

He remained at the old home and school until he reached his 18th year, when he sought a better and wider field to carve his destiny from an unknown future.

From the ordinary engaged in the vocation which has not only brought him fame, but which, we might justly add, has distinguished by his numerous deeds of valor and skill in the pursuit and capture of desperate criminals.

Duson began his official career as a deputy sheriff of the parish in the year 1838, and with the capture of various desperadoes, he has pursued them to the borders of Texas and Mexico, into the mountains of the Indian Territory, and as far north as Illinois; he has arrested and captured the most notorious of desperadoes, and has never shot one trying to escape. He has had three desperate fights, and been shot at nine times in arresting prisoners, and has been wounded six times with Winchester rifles, and six times with pistols.

St. Landry has had other good sheriffs, but Duson stands without a peer among his predecessors, and without fear of a rival among his successors. A man of cool and undaunted courage, he is as much an affable and social man as he is a stern and determined pursuer of his duty; he is very impulsive and kind and sympathetic to his prisoners.

Open, candid and unreserved in his social relations, he is a true friend to the poor and an abject foe to the felon in tracing out crime and bringing lawless men to justice.

Duson keeps his plans to himself, and is a great secret, and he is not to be trusted by any one who is not a true friend.

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TEACHERS' INSTITUTE AT OPELOUSAS, LA.

On the 8th, 9th and 10th Nov., 1883.

All teachers of public and private schools, and all others, who feel a proper interest in the cause of education, are earnestly requested to attend the Teachers' Institute to be held at Opelousas on the 8th, 9th and 10th of November, under the supervision of the Hon. Edwin H. Fay, State Superintendent of Public Education.

The Institute will be directly conducted by Rev. A. R. Horne, who is an experienced teacher, and who has been successfully engaged in conducting Institutes during twenty-five years in different States. The subjects of his lectures will be the Science and Art of Teaching, and School Management; and it is reported that he discourses upon these topics in a most pleasing and instructive style.

The Institute is not, by any means, designed to be an examination of the teachers. You are simply invited to attend and receive the benefits of the most able instruction in the best modes of teaching and in the most successful systems of school management.

It is sincerely hoped that all will exhibit their earnestness and progressive spirit in their honorable vocation by a prompt and regular attendance, during the term of the Institute; more especially as this is the first opportunity of such a character that has ever been offered the citizens of St. Landry.

Authority is given to close the public schools, during as many days as may be necessary to enable teachers to attend the Institute, and no deduction will be made from their salaries for the time schools are closed.

Respectfully, C. C. SWAYZE, Secy. and Par. Sup't for St. Landry Board School Directors, October 30th, 1883.

My stock is now complete. Drop in early and make your selections while you can have first choice. I have the largest stock of fine gold rings and ear-rings ever brought to this place. Prices from one dollar up. My elegant array of goods is unsurpassed.

Beautiful goods. Endless variety. Moderate prices. R. MORNINGEY.

Choice family flour at J. B. Clements.

Lovely! Charming!! Magnificent!!! Such are the exclamations of the ladies, on viewing Mrs. A. B. Clauchers new stock of fine millinery. Go and see it. Spoon Baking Powders at Clements. Fresh Buckwheat and Oatmeal, very nutritious, at Clements.

Do you want anything in the millinery line? If so, Mrs. Chachere can suit you in quality, style and price. Powder, St. Louis Shot, Caps, Central Fire Shells, at J. B. Clements.

Choice breakfast bacon, hams, fresh crackers, teas, etc., at J. B. Clements.

Political. Rooms Democratic Executive Committee, Opelousas, Oct. 26th, 1883.

The Democratic Executive Committee of St. Landry will meet at the Court House on Monday, the 10th of November, for the purpose of determining upon any matter of interest to the Democratic party and particularly to provide for delegates to the Baton Rouge Convention of 1884.

H. L. GARLAND, Pres. Democratic Ex. Com.

GRAND OPENING OF FALL & WINTER STYLES MILLINERY Monday, November 5th, 1883, and to continue during the entire week.

MRS. DOROTHY LAAS' Main St. between North & Groles, OPELOUSAS.

Having just returned from New Orleans with a splendid stock of fashionable goods—comprising the very latest styles of Hats, Bonnets, Trimmings, Artificial Flowers, Plumes, Feathers, Hair Goods, Ornaments, Ribbons, Laces, Notions, &c.

All carefully selected with a view to the special wants of this community, and which are offered at popular prices. All my patrons and the ladies of this Parish in general, are invited to call and inspect the same, being assured that they will be pleased both with my goods and prices. As it would be impossible to make anything like a complete enumeration of the many new additions to my stock, I earnestly ask a personal inspection of the same.

Nov. 3, 1883. MRS. D. LAAS.

FASHIONABLE CLOTHING. NEW STORE. GIROT & GODCHOT 89 - - - Canal Street - - - 89 New Orleans, La.

Clothing and Furnishers, CUSTOM TAILORS.

Are opening their Fall and Winter stock of Clothing and Furnishings, under the management of Mr. G. Giro, in complete with novelties in Dress and Business Coats and Suits, and he is now ready to receive orders.

CALL AT THE NEW STORE, AND EXAMINE THE NEW STOCK.

Mr. Victor Giro and Mr. Joseph C. Boyer are now connected with this house, and will be pleased to see and serve their many friends at their new headquarters.

Rest at last. Repose complete, eternal. Love, rest, and home.

School books at J. B. Clements' store.

NEWS! NEWS!

New Store! New Goods! New Prices!

The New Orleans Cheap Store, Main St. opposite Postoffice, Opelousas.

JUST opened with a complete assortment of fresh goods—DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, BOOTS & SHOES, GROCERIES, LIQUORS, ETC., ETC., which is offered at

New Orleans Prices, for Cash.

ALL are invited to call and examine my goods and ascertain my prices before purchasing—it will cost nothing and you will save money by so doing.

Highest cash prices paid for Moss, Hides, Wool, and all Country Produce.

ETIENNE LAURETTE, Opelousas, Nov. 3, 1881.

Louis Pucheu, Main Street, Opelousas. DEALER IN GROCERIES & PROVISIONS, Hardware, Tinware, Glassware, Crockeryware, Granite ware, Fresh and Preserved Fruits, Jellies, Nuts, &c. Paints, Oils, Heating Stoves, and all celebrated.

Charter Oak And other Cooking Stoves. Refreshment Saloon adjoining, completely stocked with the purest and best of liquors.

BEER ON ICE. Highest Market Prices paid for Hides, Wool, Poultry, &c., and all Country Produce.

J. B. CLEMENTS, COURIER BUILDING, MAIN ST., Opelousas, La. FANCY AND STAPLE GROCERIES, Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Coffee, Sugar, Lard, Flour, Rice, Tea, Grits, Soap, Starch, Bluing, Spices, Pickles, Yeast Powders, Sweet Oil, Chocolate, Candles, Coal Oil, Canned Goods of all kinds, Cigars, Tobacco—Smoking and Chewing, Brooms, Buckets, Tubs, Tinware, Crockeryware, Glassware, Wines, Liquors, &c.

First-Class Goods at Lowest Cash Prices. PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL. COTTON PLANTERS NOTICE.

THE undersigned takes this method of informing the planters of St. Landry that he is the sole agent for the sale of and has on hand a number of the celebrated GULLETT LIGHT DRAFT MAGNOLIA COTTON GIN, Felter and Condenser, which he will sell at the most reasonable prices. The Magnolia Gin has come in competition with nearly every other gin on the market, at State Fairs