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OPELOUSAS:

SATURDAY, : : : : APRIL 12, 1884.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Governor:
SAMUEL D. McENERY, of Ouachita.

For Lieutenant-Governor:
CLAY KNOBLOCH, of Lafourche.

For Treasurer:
E. A. BURKE, of Orleans.

For Auditor:
O. B. STEELE, of Union.

For Attorney General:
E. J. CUNNINGHAM, of Natchitoches.

For Secretary of State:
OSCAR ARROYO, of Plaquemines.

For Superintendent of Pub. Education:
WARREN EASTON, of Orleans.

ST. LANDRY PARISH.

For the State Senate:
M. D. KAVANAGH,
T. S. FONTENOT.

For the House of Representatives:
PLACIDE ROBIN,
J. CRAWFORD LYONS,
ALBERT GUIDRY,
FRANK WHARTON.

For District Judge—13th District:
GEO. W. HUDSPETH.

For District Attorney—13th District:
JOHN N. OGDEN.

For Sheriff:
C. C. DUSON.

For Clerk of Court:
JAMES O. CHACHERE.

For Coroner:
WILLIAM M. THOMPSON.

CANDIDATES.

Justice of the Peace—1st Ward.

We are authorized to announce E. SUMTER TAYLOR as a candidate for Justice of the Peace for the 1st Ward—Opelousas.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR J. PERRAULT as a candidate for Justice of the Peace for the First Ward—Opelousas.

For Justice of the Peace.

We are authorized to announce ZENON S. FONTENOT as a candidate for Justice of the Peace for the 12th Ward, parish of St. Landry, at the election in April, 1884.

For Constable—12th Ward.

We are authorized to announce THOS. B. FONTENOT as a candidate for Constable for the 12th Ward, parish of St. Landry, at the election in April, 1884.

$300 wanted—see advertisement.

Fresh sugar-cured shoulders and Banner hams at the Star Grocery.

Services at the Presbyterian Church to-morrow, (Sunday) at 11 A. M., and at 7 P. M., by Eld. A. P. Schofield.

The pews at the Catholic Church, Opelousas, will be sold at auction, for cash, to-morrow, (Sunday) immediately after high mass.

We call attention to the advertisement of the Beach Hotel, Cameron parish, J. B. Peveto, proprietor, which will be found on 3d page.

The citizens of Rapides parish will hold a meeting April 9th, at Alexandria, to arrange for an exhibition at the Cotton Exposition.

The election for members of the Board of Police of the town of Opelousas, last Monday, resulted in the election of the following ticket: Geo. Pulliam, Joseph Lasalle, H. E. Estorge, Moses Green, C. M. Thompson, E. Pefferkorn and Victor Lastrapes.

The election is close at hand, and it behooves every true Democrat to stick to the regular nominees of the party. Let no false sentiment of conceived wrong, nor petty prejudice or personal spite drive you from your party allegiance. Be a Democrat or a Republican as your honest convictions of political justice guide you, but don't fly the track.

As we were about going to press, we received a communication from a well known gentlemen of Waxia, written Thursday, containing the gratifyng intelligence that that portion of our parish had escaped thus far, the ravages of the flood—the driving of stock from the country, mentioned a short time ago, was only a precautionary measure.

HOLY WEEK.—The lenten season comes to-morrow. It has or should have been a solemn period to all professed christians, and its proper observance will leave all pious church members strengthened in their faith, and fortified against the evils, and trials which the coming days throw in the checkered pathway of this life. Palm Sunday is a memorable day in the Christian calendar, and the churches to-morrow will be thronged by the votaries of all orthodox denominations.

PLANTING NOTES.—Most of the corn has been planted. The first planting has a good stand, and much of it has been barred off, hoed and thinned and hilled up. A large part of the cotton land is broken up, and many farmers have made their first planting. A few, many persons have planted in March, but the majority of planters have yet to plant that cereal. The area of cotton will be increased 20 per cent this year, corn about 10 per cent, and cotton will be reduced correspondingly, as it is right. Now, increase the hog production, and you can live at home.

Significant Figures.

We were shown a few days since a statement copied from the official records of the police jury of our parish by Mr. C. C. Swayze, showing the amount of taxes levied annually for parish purposes, from 1868 to 1884 inclusive. Mr. Swayze, who is an accomplished accountant, it will be remembered, was appointed by the police jury some time ago to go over the books and records of our parish, gave them a general overhauling. He has, therefore, enjoyed exceptional advantages for gaining information, and this statement taken by him from the books, may be regarded as authentic. The figures it presents are worthy of careful study, and we commend them to all our readers, especially those who pay taxes. Nothing can show more clearly and conclusively the beauties of Democratic administration, and nothing will go further to settle the senseless "howl" of the so-called Independents, that our parish funds are being squandered, than a careful perusal of this statement, which Mr. Swayze states over his own signature, was taken from the record.

By this statement it appears that the parish taxes, exclusive of licenses levied

In 1868,	amounted	to	$50,000 00
In 1869	"	"	66,200 00
In 1870	"	"	61,700 00
In 1871	"	"	79,500 00
In 1872	"	"	50,000 00
In 1873	"	"	77,500 00
In 1875	"	"	57,730 00
In 1876	"	"	61,445 00

During these years Louisiana had a Republican administration. In 1877 the Democratic party obtained control of the State, and Governor Nicholls, at once appointed a Democratic Police Jury for this parish, nearly all of whom, by subsequent election or appointment, still remain in office. When the Nicholls Police Jury came into power it inherited as a legacy from its predecessor in office an acknowledged outstanding debt of $28,000, not including witness and jury certificates. In 1877 the Democratic police jury levied a tax

Amounting	to			$47,200 00
In 1878 it levied a tax amounting to				31,600 00
In 1879	"	"	"	30,800 00
In 1880	"	"	"	23,500 00
In 1881	"	"	"	30,000 00
In 1882	"	"	"	33,950 00
In 1883	"	"	"	35,030 00
In 1884	"	"	"	37,050 00

Or to state it more succinctly, the present police jury, from 1877 to 1884, levied, all told, taxes amounting to $269,330, whilst its predecessors in office from 1868 to 1877 levied, all told, taxes amounting to $491,45 00. Nor is this all. The new police jury has extinguished the $28,000 debt bequeathed to it by its predecessor; has caused to be built the finest jail in Louisiana, costing nearly $14,000 00, and to-day the parish owes only $4,000 00. Some of the Independent Democrats, we have been told, have gone so far as to make the assertion that, if elected on the 22d of this month, under the new administration, $18,000 00 per annum would be sufficient for all parish purposes.

If such be the case, we would like Mr. Savoy, their candidate for sheriff, to rise and explain why it was that during the time he was President of the police jury in 1874, 5, 6, it required annually over $60,000 to run the parish, and then leave an outstanding debt of $28,000. Let some of these blatant reformers and economists answer this, or let them forever hold their peace.

If parish "ring rule," to use the Independent cant, has in about seven years, saved the taxpayers considerably over *two hundred thousand dollars*, we reckon no property-owner will object to its remaining in power a few years longer. We, at least, will not.

HIGH WATER.—From late accounts we hope that the overflow will not be so disastrous as was anticipated a few days ago. From the reported decline in the waters above, we trust the worst is over, and that a few days more will place the flooded districts high and dry, and ready for the plows of the threatened farmers. All, however, depends on good weather, no more floods of rain, and the snow and ice on upper tributaries not melting until the present inundation has passed away.

To-day a week ago a heavy flood of rain fell the greater part of the day, overflowing the bayous and covering the prairies with water. About 5 o'clock P. M., a cold norther blew up, and hail fell in many localities. Several head of cattle were found dead in the prairies on Sunday morning, and twenty head of sheep—that were sheared a day or two before. The sheep belonged to Mr. Willie Burr and Miss Mary Burr, near town.

We have clear and pleasant weather since last Wednesday morning.

We are requested to announce that the meeting of the surviving members of Co. F., 8th La. Volunteers, Army of Northern Virginia, which was to have been held on the 5th, was unavoidably postponed on account of the inclement weather, and will take place at Opelousas on Saturday, April 26th inst. From what we have learned, the prospects are favorable for a numerous attendance of the veterans of that gallant organization.

Another Democrat refuses to allow his name to be used by the Independents. We have been shown a letter written by Mr. Abram Richard, stating most positively that he will not accept the nomination tendered him by the Independents, and would not serve if elected, showing that his name, like most of the others placed in nomination by the so-called Independent party, was used without his authority.

The Legislature of Iowa has appropriated $1500 for the education of Kate Shelly, the girl who at the hazzard of her own life, saved a railroad train from wreck. This is not only a fitting recognition of a noble act, but should be an encouragement for others to go and do likewise.

Corn, Oats, and Bran at the Star Grocery.

How to Vote on the Amendments.

We have heard this question asked by some persons—Democrats—who seem to have some doubt as to the proper way to vote on the proposed amendments. It seems to us, that the action of the Demoratic State Convention recently held at Bation Rouge and that of the Parish Democratic Convention, lately held at Opelousas, on the subject, will furnish a good rule by which all Democrats of the Parish of St. Landry should be governed in voting on the proposed amendments to the Constitution. The State Convention pronounced in favor of all the amendments, without exception. The Parish Convention pronounced against the first amendment, alone. A St. Landry Democrat by voting against the first proposed amendment will vote in accordance with the views of the Parish Convention, and by voting for all the other proposed amendments, he will vote according to the views of the State Convention on all except the first. It seems to us this course recommends itself to every reflecting Democrat. The first amendment—that changing the debt ordinance, is alone objectionable; the others are all good, and the adoption thereof will effect the good and desirable end had in view by the Democracy of the State.

Constitutional Amendments.

In addition to the vote for public officials at the next election, the following amendments to the State Constitution will be submitted for approval or rejection:

1. To increase the rate of interest on our State debt, requiring, if carried, the additional payment of $120,000 interest annually for 15 years. It is a move in favor of monopolies and should be voted against.

2. Relative to fees and charges in the civil courts of New Orleans.

3. To limit the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, whereby a position on that exalted bench would be attended with revenues altogether out of proportion for the employment.

4. To extend the jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals.

5. To provide for the decision of all cases before the Court of Appeals when the judges of the court cannot agree.

6. To create a Court of Appeals in New Orleans, differing in some respects from those in the country parishes.

7. Establishing four city courts in New Orleans, which would intermediate between the justices of the peace and district court.

8. Relative to the District Court in the parish of Orleans, and increases the salaries of the judges of said courts.—Iberia Star.

POLITICAL.

ROOMS DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, ST. LANDRY, April 9, '84.

Pursuant to a call made by the President, the Democratic Executive Committee met at their rooms in the town of Opelousas on this 9th of April, 1884.

On the calling of the rolls, all the wards were represented except the 8th ward. The President having explained to the committee the object of this meeting, after a full, fair and free expression of views, on motion of F. F. Perrodin, unanimously adopted, the chair was authorized to appoint a committee of three who, together with the President were requested to draft resolutions embodying the views of this committee touching the selection of Police Jurors On this committee the chair appointed Messrs. F. F. Perrodin, Z. T. Young and Joseph E. Quebedeau.

On motion a recess of fifteen minutes was taken to allow the committee time to consult and make their report.

The committee having been called together, Dr. Z. T. Young on the part of the special committee, presented the following report which was unanimously adopted:

To the Hon. Members of the Democratic Executive Committee of the Parish of St. Landry:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned committee appointed by your honorable body for the purpose of drafting suitable resolutions expressing the sense of this Committee touching the selection and election of police jurors beg leave to report the following resolutions for your adoption:

Resolved, That the Democratic Executive Committee of the Parish of St. Landry respectfully request, and as far as is in their power, instruct our Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana to urge at the next session of the General Assembly the immediate repeal of the law authorizing the appointment of police jurors by the Governor, and to pass an act giving the people the election of these officers and providing for their immediate election.

Resolved, That should the appointment of these officers become necessary either by the failure of the passage of an act repealing the law now existing in regard to the appointment of police jurors, or for any other cause whatsoever, our Senators and Representatives are further requested to urge the Governor not to make the appointments before a suitable time shall have been given to the people of this parish to express their choice by primary elections to be held under such rules and regulations as this committee may adopt.

Z. T. YOUNG,
E. D. ESTILETTE,
F. F. PERRODIN,
J. QUEBEDEAU.

On motion of Mr. Willis Prescott the secretary was requested to send copies of these proceedings to each of the papers of this parish.

On motion of Dr. W. A. Robertson, the Committee adjourned.

E. D. ESTILLETTE.
Pres'nt Dem. Ex. Com., St. Landry.
F. F. PERRODIN, Secretary.

Central Fire Shells, Powder, Shot and Caps, at the Star Grocery.

(Communicated.)

HAASVILLE, LA., March 31, 1884.

EDITORS COURIER:—When are we going to have good settled weather, is the question that is foremost now with our farmers. Some little cotton was planted last week, and much more will be planted this week if the weather permits. Lands are in excellent order now, and in good plight for work. If the rain keeps off for some days farmers may catch up somewhat. We learn that a number of people are moving from the overflowed districts seeking homes on the more elevated lands. They can't stand the floods every spring. Business and everything is dull, even some of the politicians have a tired, weary, dull look. Judge Alcide Barbin has announced himself as independent candidate for re-election in this judicial district. Two barges passed down last week; one on Wednesday, loaded with one hundred and fifty hogsheads of sugar; the other on Thursday, carrying one hundred and eighty hogsheads of sugar. Good for the barge line. Bayou Crocodile has been very full for some time-cutting off communication by wagon with saw mills on that stream and in the pine hills. Met Mr. Stuart of saw mill fame last Saturday. He reports plenty of lumber at mills, but roads are flooded and boggy; can't haul any lumber out at all.

From the best information at hand I believe plant cane is coming out very nicely. The young corn that is up looks strong and healthy. Our gardens are beginning to grow nicely. We planted some Iron-Clad watermelon seed a few days past. Going to test them. Will report you the quality, etc., and donate the COURIER the largest.

Yours, ILLINOIS.

Communicated.

EDITORS COURIER:—I was indeed much surprised in reading in your columns the resignation of our friend Dr. Z. T. Young for Coroner, and much more surprised at the reason alleged by him for said resignation. If we understand his reasoning, he was prompted to this action by his faithful adherence to Democratic principles, wherefore, we would ask an answer to the following question:

Had our friend, the doctor, on the day of the Convention of the Independent Democratic party, forgotten his Democratic principles so far as to accept the temporary chairmanship of said Convention? did he not solicit our support to obtain the nomination for Coroner, and being present, did he not then and there accept said nomination?

INDEPENDENT DEMOCRAT.

Communicated.

EDITORS COURIER:—In the last issue of your paper we have seen the letter of Dr. Z. T. Young declining the nomination for Coroner on the Independent Democratic ticket.

Messrs. Editors, using the same means of communication as our friend Dr. Young, please inform the gentleman that the Committee cannot consider his resignation, inasmuch as his name had been taken off said ticket, and that of the Hon. James Ray substituted, several days previous to his attempted resignation.

Yours respectfully, C. COMEAU,
Chrmn. Campaign Committee,
Independent Democratic Party.

At the Star Grocery.

Fresh Banner Hams at 16½ cents;
Sugar-cured Shoulders at 12½ cents;
Breakfast Bacon at 16½ cents;
N. Y. Cream Cheese at 25 cents;
Crushed Sugar at 12½ cents;
Pulverized Sugar at 12½ cents;
Clarified Sugar at 11 cents;
Best brown sugar at 10 cents;
Best rice at 8½ cents;
Best white beans at 7½ cents;
Best codfish at 7½ cents;
Extra choice flour at 5 cents.

The lawyers' pickings in the Star Route cases were rich. Mr. George Bliss, who had charge of the prosecution, testified before the Congressional Committee on Wednesday last that he received as fees $57,732 15, and claims there is still $6000 due him. He denies that these fees are excessive, for it is a cold day when he cannot make $100 out of his New York city practice.—N. O. Daily States.

Just received at the Star Grocery news stand the following papers, periodicals, etc.: The Continent, Saturday Night, Babyland, Arkansaw Traveler, 5 cents; War Library, 10 cents; Waverly Library, 5 cents; Boys' Library, Brookside Library, each 5 cents. The Tickler, Heads and Tails, Smiles, bound editions of the poets, standard fiction biogrphies, etc., at lowest prices.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—A large, commodious town residence, with ample grounds, kitchen, well, cistern, flower and vegetable gardens, orchard, lots, small field, etc., comprising altogether fourteen acres of land. Also, a small residence with three arpents of ground. For particulars apply at this office.

Every horse owner should have a copy of that admirable work, "A Treatise on the Horse and His Diseases," by Dr. Kendall. A few copies—English or German—for sale at this office at 25c. per copy.

At the beginning of the year is a good time to subscribe for the COURIER for yourself and your friend. Try it and be happy.

FINE POULTRY.—A few pairs thoroughbred Buff Cochin fowls for sale. Apply at this office.

Citron, mace, currants, nutmegs, spice, butternuts, almonds, etc., at the Star Grocery, under the COURIER office.

Choice butter, N. Y. cream cheese, mackerel, codfish and potatoes, at the Star Grocery, under the COURIER office.

Buy your Candies at the Star Grocery.

A Life Doubly Assured.

A resident of Bangor, Maine, writing to C. N. Crittenden, New York, for a supply of *Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar*, mentions incidentally that three months ago a New England life insurance company refused to grant him a policy on the ground that he was a consumptive. "But," he adds "thanks to the healing power of *that invaluable preparation*, my lungs are now perfectly sound, and yesterday I passed a medical examination without an objection, and insured my life for $5,000." Of druggists generally.

Pike's Toothache Drops cure in one minute.

Preventive of Malarial Diseases

OPINION OF EMINENT DR. H. R. WALTON, OF ANNAPOLIS, MD.

"Colden's Liquid Beef Tonic is a most excellent preparation. It is, *par excellence*, superior to cod-liver oil or anything I ever used in *wasted or impaired constitutions*, and extremely beneficial as a preventive of *malarial diseases*. (Remember the name, COLDEN'S—take no other). Of druggists generally.

A pure, radiant complexion is one of woman's greatest charms. It is attainable by the daily use of GLENN'S SULPHUR SOAP, which removes blemishes of the skin, cuticular ailments of every description, and is an admirable disinfectant.

Callahan & Lewis, Steam Cistern Factory and Moulding Mill, New Iberia, La.

Notice of Election.

In accordance with act 101 of the session of 1882, the following polling places are hereby designated, and the following commissioners are hereby appointed to conduct the election to be holden on Tuesday, April 22d proximo:

Opelousas—At the Courthouse; commissioners: E. M. Boagni, Wilson M. Price and C. Mayo.

Bellevue—At the School House; commissioners: C. M. Daly, Luicius David and A. Dimick.

Plaisance—At Evariste Dupré's Store; commissioners: Godfrey Dupré, Valerien Vidrine and Patton T. Blackshear.

Grand Coteau—At H. M. Dunbar's store; commissioners: Theodose Sanval, O'Brien Elmer, H. M. Dunbar.

Coulee Croche—Near P. D. Richard's; commissioners: Leon Thibodeaux, Emile Leger, Simien Richard.

Barry's Landing—At D. P. Saizan's; commissioners: V. C. Devillier, Ambrose Valain, W. C. Johnson.

Leonville—At School House; commissioners: Faustin Richard, Numa Robin, Pierre Mistrick.

Waxia—At School House; commissioners: S. W. W. Taylor, John Fahey, Preston King.

Negro Foot—At Rosas Station; commissioners: T. A. Hicks, Lucius Thornton, D. D. Hudspeth.

West Melville—At J. S. Satterly's; commissioners, J. S. Satterly, F. A. Dunbar, W. C. Gordon.

Washington—At Town Hall; commissioners: Jno. O. Trainor, Dr. A. D. Harmanson, J. P. O'Reilly.

Big Cane—At Havard's Store; commissioners: W. M. Haw, Joel C. Vanney, Otis Collins.

Lower Bayou Bœuf—At Begg's Store; commissioners; J. M. Edwards, J. W. Daniel, J. Monroe Daniel.

Upper Bayou Bœuf—At Stagg's Store; commissioners: Alex. Stagg, Onezime Savant, E. C. Milburn.

Old Grand Prairie—At Paul Stagg's store; commissioners: Louis Lafleur, Octave Fontenot, Alfred Stagg.

Bayou Chicot—At Sam Haas' Store; commissioners: Bingham Cushman, James Martin, A. J. Sadduth.

Bayou Chicot—At Dossman's; commissioners: Homer Savoi, L. Dossman, Chas. Dossman.

Bayou Chicot—At Beaver Creek School House; commissioners: A. M. Goodwin, W. M. Fish, John Bond.

Mallet—At Sulice's Store; commissioners: M. G. Wilkins, Dennis W. Cannon, G. Derousseau.

Church Point—At Barousse's Store; commiesioners: V. D. Breaux, Lewis Hayes; J. K. McMillan.

Plaquemine—At H. M. Andrus's Store; commissioners: Robert Sloane, Robert M. Andrus, Offutt Lyons.

Rayne—At City Hall; commissioners; T. P. Bowden, B. H. Harmon, Henry Anding.

Point-aux-Loups—At S. Cart's; commissioners: Yves Sensat, Louis Carte, Mathieu Pousson.

Mermentau—At Victorin Maignaud's; commissioners: Chas. Duhon, L. V. Femeaux, Jean Pierre Frugé.

Ville Plate—At Emile Tate's; commissioners: Ben Lafleur; E. E. Vidrine, Oscar Dardeau.

Chataignier—At D. P. Lafleur's; commissioners: Azelien Manuel, Dorville Lafleur, Lastie F. Frugé.

Mamou—At J. J. Landreneau's; commissioners: J. B. Saucier, H. J. Guillory, Lucien Bacon.

Faquetaique—At Honoré Fuselier's; commissioners: David Courville, Jr., Wm. Young, Sr., Wm. R. Ashford.

Prud'homme City—At T. C. Chachere's; commissioners: Walter Jenkins, C. J. Hundley, J. B. McCoy.

German Settlement—At Z. Huber's; commissioners: Jas. Littell, Frank Krutcher, Dan Rose.

HENRY LASTRAPES,
Returning Officer, St. Landry.

EASTER! EASTER!

Just Received

—AT—

MRS. LAAS' EMPORIUM OF FASHION,

Main St., between North & Grolée,

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An Elegant Assortment of

Stylish Spring and Summer Goods

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Ladies' & Misses' Fine Hats and Bonnets, Rustic Hats,

Boys' Hats, Infants' Lace and other Caps,

KID AND SILK JERSEY GLOVES,

In all shades,

COLLARS, SCARFS & FICHUS,

Lace and Linen Handkerchiefs,

Buttons—a fine assortment in all colors, Zephyr in all shades, Satchels of various styles, sizes and prices,

LANGTRY HOOP SKIRTS,

Scarf and Hair Pins,

Ribbons, Laces, Perfumery, Notions, &c., &c.

Call early and inspect the pretty goods.
Call early and inspect the fresh goods.
Call early and inspect the CHEAP goods.

HAND FIRE ENGINE FOR SALE.

This Engine can be put in fine order at little expense, and will do excellent fire service; is rather heavy for village service but capable of splendid execution, being of powerful build and best workmanship and material. The Company having supplied its place with a steamer, will sell it for less than one-tenth its original cost, and in case a purchaser is not found by Saturday, the 12th of April, it will be sold on that day at public auction in front of the Courthouse. Terms cash.

SAM'L. M. PETERS, Chrm. Com.

Postmasters

Are requested to notify us when any of our subscribers fail to take their papers from the postoffice. We believe blanks are furnished them for that purpose.

Proceedings of Board of Police of Town of Opelousas.

OPELOUSAS, April 3, 1884.

Members present: Jas. Ray, President; A. B. Chachere, S. Birotte, B. Martin, Emile Pefferkorn and L. A. Sandoz.

On motion, it was Resolved, That, whereas, the appropriation of $500, made by the Police Jury Feb. 12th, 1884, is inadequate to procure a suitable site for a market house and engine houses for the town of Opelousas, the committee appointed by this Board to select a site is hereby instructed to call upon the Police Jury and respectfully request that body to increase said appropriation. Dr. W. A. Robertson and C. C. Duson were added to said committee.

On motion of Mr. Birotte, the President of the Board was authorized and instructed to purchase from the Trustees of the Church of the Epiphany a certain lot of ground having a front on Union street of one hundred feet by a like depth on Bellevue street, for a price not to exceed seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Mr. B. Martin voted nay.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JAMES RAY,
President of the Board.
L. A. SANDOZ, Secretary Pro Tem.

Political.

ROOMS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATIC PARTY, March 31, 1884.

WHEREAS, we believe that the people should not be deprived of their right of selecting members of the Police Jury in the Parish of St. Landry, who, like other officers of the parish should be the choice of the qualified electors of their respective wards; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend to all voters of the Parish of St. Landry, at the next general election to be held on 22d April, to vote for a member of the Police Jury for each ward, in such manner as may be hereafter specified.

The returns of such choice of Police Jurors by the people will be forwarded to the Governor for appointment as the representative member of the respective wards.

C. COMEAU,
LOUIS FONTENOT, Sec. Chairman.

Notice of Election.

BY virtue of a proclamation issued by his Excellency, S. D. McEnery, Governor of the State of Louisiana, bearing date February 16th, A. D., 1884, and in accordance with law, all the qualified electors of the Parish of St. Landry, in said State, are hereby notified that an election will be held on

Tuesday, 22d day of April, 1884,

for the purpose of electing:
A Governor,
A Lieutenant-Governor,
A State Treasurer,
A Secretary of State,
An Attorney-General,
A State Auditor of Public Accounts,
A Superintendent of Public Education,
Two Senators to represent the 12th Senatorial District, composed of the Parish of St. Landry,
One District Judge and one District Attorney, for the 13th Judicial District, composed of the Parish of St. Landry,
Four Representatives,
A Clerk of the District Court,
A Sheriff,
A Coroner,
Two Justices of the Peace for the 1st and 8th Wards, and one for each of the other Justice's Wards, in the Parish of St. Landry.
Two Constables for the 1st and 8th wards, and one for each of the other justice's wards of the Parish of St. Landry.

And also to take the sense of the qualified voters relative to the adoption or rejection of certain proposed Amendments to the Constitution of this State, as now promulgated officially in the Opelousas COURIER.

The polls will be opened in each election precinct, in said Parish of St. Landry, from the hour of 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 6 o'clock in the afternoon, the day and date above mentioned, to-wit: Tuesday, the 22d day of April, A. D., 1884, for the purpose of receiving the votes of the qualified voters of the Parish of St. Landry, under the supervision of the Commissioners of Election, appointed by the authority designated by law.

The election to be conducted and returns made according to law.

HENRY LASTRAPES,
Returning Officer
25-1m of the Parish of St. Landry.

Notice of Registration.

I WILL be at the places designated below to correct and revise registration books for each place, also to register all voters who have not heretofore registered, from 7 o'clock a. m. to 6 o'clock p. m. each day:

Upper Mammou—At Landreneau's, on Saturday, March 22;
Beaver Creek—At School House, on Monday, March 24;
Bayou Chicot—At Sam Haas' store, on Tuesday, March 25;
Dossman—At Charles Dossman's, on Wednesday, March 26;
Ville Plate—At Mrs. H. Tate's, on Thursday, March 27;
Old Grand Prairie—At Paul Stagg's store, on Friday, March 28;
Plaisance—At Joseph Vidrine's store, on Saturday, March 29;
Chataignier—At D. P. Lafleur's store, on Monday, March 31;
Mallet—At Joseph Sullice's, on Tuesday, April 1;
Mallet—At Lucien Joubert's store, on Wednesday, April 2;
Faquétaique—At Louis Courville's, on Thursday, April 3d;
Lower Mammou—At Zénon Vidrine's, on Friday, April 4th;
Mammou—At J. Bte. Saucier's, on Saturday April 5th;
At the Court House at Opelousas, from Monday, April 7, to Friday, April 18, 1884.

F. L. PITRE,
Feb. 9, 1884. Registrar.

FOR SALE.

ONE of the most desirable residences in Opelousas; ample grounds—yard, lot, orchard, garden and small field—comprising, together, about 14 acres of land, all under fence. Improvements consist of two-story dwelling, brick basement, containing nine rooms; outbuildings, kitchen, servants' rooms etc., in good order. This property will be sold very low for cash, or on favorable terms. For further particulars apply at this office.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

A NEW town residence, neat and convenient, suitable for a small family, with two acres of land, enclosed. Will be sold cheap, or rented low to a good tenant.

Apply at this office.

$300 WANTED!

THE advertiser desires to borrow $300, for three months, for the use of which he will furnish satisfactory security and pay liberal interest. Apply immediately at this office.

March 22, 1884-1mo.

For Sale.

THE old Pierre Comeau Plantation, situated on Plaquemine Ridge, St. Landry, containing one hundred and fifty arpents of land, of which about eighty-five are fenced in, with one good dwelling house about 40x40 ft., in good condition, and one tenant house.

This place is reputed very fertile, is in a good neighborhood, and labor plentiful.

Also, the undivided third of a tract of first-class woodland, containing about 160 acres.

And the undivided third of another tract of well timbered land, containing about 50 acres.

For terms and other particulars, apply to

JEAN BAPTISTE COMEAU,
Sept. 1-tf Opelousas, La.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY

—FOR—

CHOICE INVESTMENTS.

PUBLIC SALE.

On Wednesday, April 30th, 1884,

I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door, in the town of Opelousas, the following property belonging to Oscar Stanton:

A Tract of Land,

situated in the parish of St. Landry, in prairie Hayes, containing four hundred American acres, with titles confirmed to James Cole by the Board of United States Commissioners for the Western District of Louisiana, as appears by certificate dated May 17th, 1811, afterwards sold by said Cole to Malachi Stanton October 15th 1821, and purchased by present owner at the successional sale of said Malachi Stanton.

2d. Another tract of land situated in the same locality, containing 2030 50|100 acres, and situated in Township 8, South Range one East, and Township 8, South Range two East.

Maps of survey of said land are now on exhibition in my office.

Terms and Conditions:—One-half of purchase price cash, and the balance in one year from day of sale, secured by mortgage with vendor's privilege, and bearing eight per cent per annum interest from maturity; usual attorney's fees clause at ten per cent in case of non-payment and litigation. Deeds of transfer to be passed by C. W. DuRoy, Notary Public.

For further information apply to F. F. Perrodin & C. W. DuRoy, attorneys, in Opelousas, or to Julien Richard and John Lyons, Jr., Lake Charles, La.

C. C. DUSON,
Sheriff and ex-officio Auctioneer.
March 29, 1884.

JUDICIAL NOTICES

PUBLIC SALE.

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 4413

ESTATE OF MARGARET E. MORGAN.

By virtue of an order of the Hon. the Probate Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, there will be sold at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, by C. C. Duson, Sheriff, and ex-officio auctioneer, at the Court House in the town of Opelousas, parish aforesaid, on *THURSDAY*, the 8th day of May, 1884, the following described property, belonging to the estate of Margaret E. Morgan, deceased, to-wit:

1. A certain tract or portion of ground situated in the town of Washington, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon or thereto appertaining, bounded in front by Buhot street, in the rear by ——— street, on the east by Washington street, and west by Main street.

Terms and Conditions—One-fifth cash, and the balance in one year from day of sale, with eight per cent. per annum interest from said day of sale; purchaser to furnish satisfactory security for payment of price, and mortgage to be reserved to secure payment of such price and of attorney's fees at ten per cent in case of suit to enforce payment.

C. C. DUSON,
Sheriff and Ex-officio Auctioneer.
April 5, 1884.

PUBLIC SALE.

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 4509

ESTATE OF MARIE REMISE BROUSSARD.

By virtue of an order of the Honorable the Probate Court in and for the parish of Saint Landry, there will be sold at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned administrator or any duly qualified auctioneer, at the last residence of the deceased in the parish of St. Landry, on *WEDNESDAY*, the 16th day of April, 1884, the following described property, belonging to the estate of Marie Remise Broussard, deceased, to-wit:

1. One dwelling house, one kitchen, one small house, one lot of lumber and boards, one stable, one corn crib, two thousand and sixty-five pannels of fencing, one hundred pieux.

2. Two horses, two mares and one colt, five milch cows, one bull, one heifer.

3. One hundred barrels of corn, one branding iron, one loom, a lot of farming implements, a lot of kitchen utensils, a lot of household furniture, &c.

Terms and Conditions—All sums of money or purchases up to the sum of ten dollars to be paid cash, and all the balance of the property to be sold on one and two years' credit from the day of sale; purchasers to furnish their notes to the satisfaction of the administrator with two good and solvent securities, and bearing eight per cent per annum interest from maturity until final payment.

THEOVILLE LEBLANC,
April 5, 1884. Administrator.

PUBLIC SALE.

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. ——

ESTATE OF JOSEPH DOUCET.

By virtue of an order of the Honorable the Probate Court in and for the parish of Saint Landry, there will be sold at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned administrator or any duly qualified auctioneer, at the Courthouse door, in the town of Opelousas, parish of St. Landry, on *WEDNESDAY*, April 30, 1884, the following described property, belonging to the estate of Joseph Doucet, deceased, to-wit:

1. A tract of land situated at Point Noir, containing seventy acres.

2. Another tract at Church Point, containing fifty acres.

A full description of property will be given on the day of sale.

Terms—Cash.

HOMER J. DAIGLE,
March 29, 1884. Adm'r.

NOTICE OF TABLEAU.

District Court, Parish St. Landry, No. ——

ESTATE OF DIVINE FONTENOT.

Whereas Cæzar Frugé, of the parish of St. Landry, administrator of the above named estate, having filed a final tableau and distribution of funds thereof, accompanied by his petition praying for the homologation of the same;

And whereas, notice of filing of said petition and tableau has been ordered by an order of court bearing date April 10, 1884;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all persons interested to make opposition to said tableau, in writing, at my office in the town of Opelousas, within the time required by law why said tableau should not be homologated and confirmed. JAMES O. CHACHERE,
April 12, 1884 Clerk

FOR SALE.

THE "BIJOU" GROCERY STORE,

Corner of Main and Bellevue streets, Opelousas, consisting of a general assortment of staple and fancy groceries, woodenware, glassware, etc. The entire stock and fixtures will be sold and the building leased at a low figure. For further particulars, apply to Jas. O. Chachere, Opelousas.

NOTICE.

ALL persons in the parish owing licenses on any trade, profession or occupation, under existing laws, are hereby notified that if the same are not paid prior to the 1st day of April next, 1884, they will be collected with the costs by the attorney specially appointed by the Governor for that purpose.

C. C. DUSON,
Sheriff and Tax Collector
March 8, 1884. Parish of St. Landry.

DR. ROBERT M. LITTELL,

Physician and Surgeon.

Office at the Drug Store, sign of the Big Mortar, Main street, Opelousas. a5