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OPELOUSAS:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1888.

Parties who are indebted to the COURIER for subscription, job printing, or advertising will save themselves the annoyance of a personal dun by coming forward and settling up.

Latest designs in fancy cards, envelopes, etc., just received at this office.

Gentlemen's finest dress shoe made, selling at $3.50 per pair at J. K. Sandoz.

C. D. Stewart wants more carpenters immediately. See advertisement on second page.

Toys, Fine Candies, Fruits, Fireworks and Fancy Goods—the largest assortment in town, at C. Dietlein's.

Silverware, a very pretty assortment, to be sold at remarkably low prices, at R. Mornhinveg's. Just the thing for holiday presents.

Young America is once more happy. Vacation in the public schools commences to-day and continues until Monday, Jan. 7th.

For the best and cheapest oysters, fish, crabs and shrimp go to Vilaseca's, opposite the Market House. Also good board and lodging furnished.

People will go where they get most for their money and have made headquarters for groceries, dry goods, boots, shoes, notions &c., at J. K. Sandoz's.

Ice, one fourth of an inch in thickness, formed in the ponds in town and vicinity on Thursday and Friday mornings. These are the first decided freeze of the season.

Vilaseca's Ladies' Oyster Saloon is fitted up in first-class style, and the ladies can rely on good treatment and prompt attention and the best the market affords.

FRESH GAME. — Partridges, snipe, rabbits, wood-cocks, squirrels, ducks, &c., always on hand at Clements & Wilson's. Make a note of this in getting your supplies for that Christmas dinner.

The weather during the week has been all that could be desired—cool, dry and sunny—and our town in consequence has had the benefit of numerous visits from the farmers of the surrounding country, which tended to enliven the retail trade somewhat.

Mr. Jonas Jacobs has not yet disposed of all of his Holiday Goods, and being determined to do so before the close of the season will sell the remainder at greatly reduced figures. Call on him to-day or on Monday if you want cheap Christmas presents. He still has a good assortment.

We noticed on our streets, a day or two since, two loads of cotton, one containing nine and the other eleven bales, from the Birotte plantation. These are the largest loads we have noticed for some years. They were on their way to the depot, for shipment to New Orleans.

Read our supplement accompanying this issue of the COURIER, and you will see that our wide-awake young jeweler, R. Mornhinveg, Esq, has made ample preparations for the Holidays by laying in a most elegant stock of everything in his line—and wants everybody to know it. Remi does not believe in "hiding his light under a bushel," but wants all the world to know that he is determined to keep abreast of the times.

In the monthly report for November of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture, we find the following in reference to St. Landry:

There is a strange disease among the cattle in this locality, and on Bayou Bœuf, in the eastern part of our parish; fat cattle principally dying, falling as with apoplexy or heart disease, no premonitory symptoms, hence no treatment has been, or could be attempted. Nothing of a like nature has heretofore been known, and the disease has prevailed about two weeks.

There came very near being several centrally located vacant lots to offer as suitable sites for the U. S. building last Thursday, but as the fire on the roof of the COURIER office last Wednesday evening was discovered and extinguished in time, the U. S. government will have to hunt a site in some less centrally located part of town. The fire, which was discovered about 8 p. m., appears to have originated from a toy balloon or sky rocket that lodged on the shingle roof of our office.

We submit that such "innocent amusements" should not be permitted in the corporate limits.

Bro. McCormick, of the Lake Charles Commercial, together with Bros. Gilmore and Carew, and a number of others, left the main body of editorial excursionists in the City of Mexico for a run over to Vera Cruz, expecting to go thence by sea to Galveston. They were compelled to retrace their steps, however, and returned to the capital just in time to witness the Sunday bull-fights. In his interesting account of the trip, Bro. Mc., while adverting briefly and tersely to this piece of "good fortune," opens up such a vista of rare and exciting sight-seeing as is calculated to make the brilliant young editor of the Baton Rouge Advocate turn green with envy. He says:

In the evening we attended the bull fight, and witnessed the killing of six bulls, and four horses gored to death by the bulls. We had enough of bull-fighting to last a life time.

Public Building Sites.

Mr. Bradley, the agent detailed to make a report upon the site to be selected for a U. S. building in our town, opened the bids last Thursday; and, as will be seen by the following list, quite an extensive assortment of sites has been offered—of every description and at all prices. Mr. Bradley left for New Orleans on Thursday night. The following is a list of the bids sent in:

Mary I. Garrard, Court and Bloch streets, 130x110 feet, ... $1000
Same, Court and Littell, 130x110 1000
" fronting either Vine or Market streets, 130 front by 110 depth, ... 2000
E. D. Estilette, Market and Vine streets, 110x130 feet 1500
Same, Vine, between Market and Court sts 150x130 1000
Same, Court and Vine, 130x110 2500
Emma E. Martel, Main and Cherry streets, 130x100 feet 800
Frédorie and Amélie Donato, Main and Bloch streets, 130x110 ft 800
T. H. Lewis and Mrs Chas. Pefferkorn, Court and Landry, 130x110 ft 3500
Black & Morris, Main 186 ft., Vine 272, and Union 186 1600
C. C. Duson, Market and Vine, 110x130 650
Mrs M. M. Hayes, corner Court and Indigo sts., 150x150 ft 5000
Jules Perrodin, Main and Grolée streets, 110x130 ft 2000
Same, Main and Grolée, 130x110 2400
Robt. Chachere, corner Vine and Court, 130 by 110 ft 2000
L. Dupré and V. Boagni, Court and Bellevue 114x130 5500
A. Perrodin, Court and Landry, 130x110 3000
Miss Clara Cooke, Landry and Main 130x115 4500
Jos Lassalle, Landry 233x200 1800
Jos. Lassalle, Bellevue and Liberty, 121 by 163 750
Jos. Lasalle, Landry, 150x200 ft North .. 1200
C. E. Lemelle, Agt. Court 110 North 130 ft. 1500
H. E. Estorge, Agt. Court 244 Bloch 337 ft. 4500
M. E. Labyche, Main 66x171 depth 6000
H. H. & L. Co., Union 110x130 1000
D. Lalanne, Court 231 North 160 3000
Laurent Dupré Liberty 150 Bellevue 150 2000
Laurent Dupré, Bellevue 150 R. R. Avenue 150 2000
Laurent Dupré, Liberty 180 Bellevue and R. R. Avenue 300 3000
A. E. Dupré, Liberty 242 Grolée 255 ... 500
Episcopal Church, Union 110 Landry 130. 700
C. B. Andrus, Bellevue 150 Lambardy 120 ..... 861.25
Jos Bloch, Union 150 Bloomfield 130 600
S. Jacobs, Main 169.6, Bellevue 169.6 Union 169.6 12000
S. Jacobs, Main 110 Bellevue 130 7000
Dito, Union 130 Bellevue 130 4000
Dito, Main 110 Union 110 Bellevue 169.6 8000

Louis Guidry, Alex. Guilbeau, Adrien Roy, Alcée Melançon, Toto Guithreau, and Alcée Guithreau, of St. Martin parish, and Dorneval le Roy, of St. Landry, accused of the "taking off" of a colored man named Eugene Lulin, in the southern part of this parish, on November 9th, were arrested and committed to jail on Thursday last, by Sheriff Fontenot. The accused are said to be members of the famous band of "Regulators" who have of late created such a panic in our parish. The parties willingly submitted to arrest, and aided our Sheriff in his labors, one of them driving him around in his buggy, and sending word to the different accused to come in and give themselves up. A judicial investigation is to be had, when the guilt or innocence of the parties will be established.

Judge Lewis has fixed the appearance bond of the above named parties at $250.00 each, which they will doubtless furnish in the course of the day, and regain their liberty.

The wisdom of our Police Jury, in the appointment of Mr. Diomel Durio as Road Inspector for this parish, is already manifesting itself. Although only a few days have elapsed since his appointment, we learn that Mr. D. has already accomplished a great deal in building bridges and filling bog holes, and has entered upon the onerous and difficult duties of his office with his accustomed earnestness and zeal. Had this appointment been made some months sooner, it is safe to say some of our public roads would not be in the terrible condition they are to-day. But though it is up-hill work now, we are confident that they will soon be put in good order.

We learn that Mr. E. E. Basye will be here on the 2d, 3d and 4th of January with the popular "Ranch King Combination," and at Washington on the 5th and 6th. Mr. Basye is an old acquaintance of our theatre-going people, and as the Ranch King Combination is a first class company, they will doubtless be pleased to learn of this treat in store for them next month.

R. Mornhinveg, the live Jeweler of Opelousas, will tell you how to please your sister or to make yourself solid with somebody else's sister, by purchasing one of those fine diamond rings, earrings or breast pins that he has displayed in his show window. These fine goods are consigned to him until the 2d of January, 1889, and having no money invested in them he can sell at very low figures.

The arrangements for the grand Ball to be given by the Coronas have been perfected, and the affair will come off at Social Club Hall, on Saturday evening, the 29th inst. The managers are *au fait* in such matters, and no pains will be spared to make this the grandest success of the season. Give them a bumper.

Send in your orders early to Vilaseca for fish, crabs, shrimp, oysters, etc., for Christmas and New Year. Large or small orders promptly filled and delivered at domicil.

Those purchasing holiday novelties to the amount of fifty cents at Jonas Jacobs' news stand will be given a chance in the lottery of a beautiful dressed doll.

Ladies', Misses' and Gents' shoes a specialty at J. K. Sandoz's, ranging from 75c to $3.50 per pair and competition defied.

The pay car passed over the Morgan road on Wednesday last, and the railroad men are now fixed for Christmas.

The Lion Process Ladies shoe the best in the market at $2.75 per pair at J. K. Sandoz.

Personal.

Miss Emma Clifford has been spending the week among friends in Lafayette.

Isaac M. Eves, boss builder of our sister town of Washington, was in town on Wednesday, and made an inspection of the Court house roof, which he found in bad condition, and in need of immediate attention.

Onez. B. Fontenot, a respected resident of Ville Plate Prairie, visited our town on Saturday last.

J. P. Russell and Leon Wolff, two of the wide awake residents of Washington, were in town on Monday.

A. J. Muller of Washington favored our office with an appreciated visit on Tuesday.

Mrs. Morrough (Aunt Lou), of Washington, spent Wednesday last among friends in town.

J. W. Bailey, of the Nanjemoy plantation on the Waxia, was in town on business on Friday.

E. Dubuisson, a prominent merchant and planter on bayon Bœuf, visited us on Friday last.

C. Beauchamp Anderson of Washington, D. C., accompanied by his wife, is on a visit to the family of his father, Gen. T. C. Anderson, in our neighboring town of Washington.

The Holidays.

We now stand upon the very threshold of Christmas. A few points of time, and the Day of all the year—a day big with bliss to Youth and Hope, and fraught with inexpressibly tender memories to the Matured—will have dawned upon a scene of innocent happiness which, in its annual recurrence, types the glad green of the oasis in the burning desert. Let us be happy! We get a brief glance of a world made happy and beautiful by kindness. Let us make the most of it! Let us try to make others happy, by bestowing upon them some tangible proof of our friendship and goodwill!

A terrible affray, the result of an old family feud, took place last Saturday at a race near the store of Edgar Mêche, in Coulée Croche, in which Walford Higginbotham and William Beard were instantly killed and Mrs. Beard (mother of the man killed), and Wilford and Tom Higginbotham were severly wounded. Wilford died on Tuesday, but Tom and Mrs. Beard will recover. Coroner Littell held an inquest on Monday and the following verdict was rendered: "That Walford Higginbotham and Wm. Beard came to their death on the 15th day of December, 1888, from pistol shot wounds fired from the hands of the three brothers, Joseph, Tom and Willie Higginbotham."

Joseph and Willie are in jail.

It has recently been discovered that our new Court House is showing unmistakable evidence of defective construction, and it is now feared that the roof is in danger of falling in—the plastering on the ceiling being cracked, and gradually getting worse, having settled down fully two inches in the past few weeks. It was found necessary, last Thursday, to brace the ceiling in the Court room until the necessary work on the roof can be done, to arrest the danger of a collapse.

Posters are out announcing an excursion from this place to New Orleans, to leave on Monday, January 7th, at 8:30 a. m., and returning on the following Thursday. Fare for the round trip $4. The excursion is given under the auspices and for the benefit of the Breaux's Bridge Literary and Gymnastic Club, which is a guarantee that it will be a success.

Latest novelties in ball programmes, invitations, wedding cards, &c., printed at this office in the best styles.

You can save money by buying your groceries at J. K. Sandoz's, and it will pay you to walk a few extra blocks to reach his store.

J. B. Sandoz & Bro. have a large stock of Carriages, Hacks, Buggies, Gigs, etc., which they are selling at the lowest living prices. Call and inspect the fine assortment now on hand.

A telegram from Washington, D. C., dated Dec. 18, says:

Chas. D. Stewart has been appointed by Supervising Architect Freret superintendent of the new public building to be constructed at Opelousas, La.

Mr. Stewart is an excellent mechanic and his appointment will undoubtedly give general satisfaction.

On account of Christmas holidays, tickets over the Morgan railroad to any station in Louisiana, will be on sale, at one fare for the round trip, on Dec. 23, 24 and 31, good to return until Jan. 2, 1889. This will enable those who have a desire to make a Christmas visit to friends abroad, a chance to do so at a nominal price.

The steamer Warren which left Washington on Saturday last, landed at New Orleans with the boss cargo of the season. Her cargo consisted of 945 bales cotton, 2681 sacks cotton seed, 382 sacks rice, 179 hhds. sugar, 362 bbls. molasses, 51 boxes eggs, 2 bbls. pecans and sundries, consigned to various parties.

MARRIED—At 7 a. m., Dec. 18, 1888, in the Methodist Church in Opelousas, by the Rev. T. B. White, Rev. S. J. DAVIES, the pastor of the church, to Miss MAGGIE THOMPSON, of Opelousas.

After a reception at the bride's mother's, where some friends accompanied substantial presents with the following expression of kind regards and good wishes:

As your hearts, each to the other, are united,
And your faith, each to the other, is plighted,
Both accept, herewith, the best wishes of a friend,
That you may live long, and be happy to life's end.

The bride and groom in company with several friends took the 8 a. m. train for the Conference in New Orleans.

The National Editorial Association in Mexico.

Regretfully bidding adieu to hospitable San Antonio, the National Editorial Association at 2 p. m. on Saturday, Nov. 24th, boarded the special train generously placed at their service by the International and Great Northern Railroad Co., and at about 8:30 p. m. reached Laredo, on the Rio Grande, the dividing line between the United States and Mexico. Promptly crossing the river to New Laredo, where the wants of the "inner man" were sumptuously provided for by the attentive railroad officials, we were taken in charge by the Mexican National Railroad, which kindly provided two trains for our use and sent us on our way rejoicing to the yet distant City of Mexico. Stops were made at Saltillo, for breakfast; at Buena Vista, seven miles beyond, to view the battle-field where our own Zachary Taylor defeated Santa Anna in 1847, the American loss being 746 and the Mexicans' nearly 2000; at San Luis Potosi and at Acambaro, where the ascent of the heaviest grade on the Mexican National begins, and where it was necessary to divide us in three sections.

From San Luis Potosi to Acambaro the road runs through a beautiful valley with towering mountains on each side. The soil is rich and produces wheat, corn, barley, fruits and the maguey plant in profusion, but requires irrigation. North of these points, between Laredo and Monterey, we noticed some fine sugar cane. From Acambaro to the City of Mexico the scenery is of a grander description. Nothing on the continent can surpass its overpowering grandeur and stately magnificence. Mountains, snow-clad, lose their tips in the clouds; deep gorges and precipices yawn threateningly as the train circles by; valleys teeming with the products of the tropics, are spread at our feet in the distance. The land, the climate, the water, the natural advantages cannot be surpassed, but the principal products are the large family of cacti for which the region is noted. The prickly pear grows to the height of twenty feet and branches out like a tree; the Spanish dagger frequently rears its porcupine-like head to a greater altitude than the sparse and stunted timber which is seen only at rare intervals along the line; the maguey plant, of which *mescal* and *pulqué* are made, here grows to monstrous size and reaches its highest perfection.

The distance from Laredo to the Mexican capital, via the "Nacional Mexicano," is 837 miles, and this route is several hundred miles shorter than any other. We completed the journey at midnight on Monday, and early the next morning all were astir and eagerly viewing the strange and novel sights to be seen on every hand. The City of Mexico has a population of 275,000 or 300,000, composed principally of full-blooded descendants of the old Aztecs. These—the lower classes—throng the streets and public places at all hours, the women and children as well as the men seeming to spend most of their time in the streets and plazas, and putting one in mind, by their numbers, by their dress, their manners and their complexion, of the *lazaroni* of Naples or a section of Canton or Pekin. Many Europeans, principally Spaniards, and a fair sprinkling of Americans, with a large percentage of mixed Caucasian and native races, have their homes here and make up the better classes of the population. In our brief experience with these people—the full-blooded Mexicans or Indians—we found them kind, obliging, mild-mannered, polite, and fairly well disposed to do the right. They may be ignorant; they may be immoral; but they have never had a white man's chance—no, not even an American negro's chance. What with the revolutions and counter revolutions with which the very sound of the name of Mexico has been associated for years, and in which the native pure-blooded Mexican was always the sufferer, no matter which party won; what with the centuries of injustice and oppression which have fallen to his lot, it could not be expected that his progress would be rapid. But, under the enlightened rule of the brilliant statesman who for four years has wielded the power of the chief executive office in our sister republic, we have strong reason to hope that the condition of these people will be vastly improved—morally, intellectually and materially—and that they will be given something like a "fighting chance" in the battle of life, which they have fought so far under so many disadvantages.

On the morning of our arrival we were tendered a reception by the Governor of the Federal district in which the capital is situated, and in the evening, at the National Palace, we were received by the President of the republic, Gen. Porfirio Diaz. The General is said to be a full-blooded Indian. Be that as it may, he is certainly a handsome and cultured gentleman, who wears his high honors with an easy grace, and has demonstrated by his four years' occupancy of the executive office that he is a shrewd and enlightened statesman.

[Owing to lack of space we must defer until next week an account of our ramblings in and around the historic Aztec city and of our journey back to Laredo, thence to Corpus Christi, Galveston and Dallas.]

A Pleasant Affair.

EDITORS COURIER: One of the most delightful affairs of our little "Bayou City" was the marriage, on the 13th inst. at the Methodist Church, of Mr. Ernest Foster, son of Dr. D. W. Foster of Plaisance, to Miss Louella Hardesty, eldest daughter of Prof. B. F. Hardesty of this place, Rev. Henry S. Johns officiating.

The church having been decorated with choicest flowers, presented a handsome appearance. On the wall behind the altar were two hearts linked together by a chain. Other beautiful and tasteful designs made the church very beautiful indeed. Dr. Foster and wife and Prof. Hardesty and wife, were the attendants. The bridal couple stood in front of the altar, where Rev. H. S. Johns read the beautiful ceremony of the Methodist Church and pronounced them man and wife. The company then repaired to Mr. Hardesty's residence, where congratulations were extended, and refreshments served.

The next day Dr. Foster gave a sumptuous dinner in honor of his son's marriage. The happy couple with others will start the 27th inst., for Florida their future home.

J.

Washington, La., Dec. 15, '88.

An account of the sinking of the Str. Hornet is published on our second page. The steamer Mabel Comeaux, in place of the Hornet, arrived at Washington on Thursday and departed on her return trip Friday, with a fair freight list.

Henry Taylor, colored, charged with hogstealing, and who has given our executive officers a great deal of trouble of late, was arrested and jailed on Thursday.

Prettiest calicoes in town, admitted by all who have seen them, at J. K. Sandoz's.

DIED—At Washington, Dec. 20, 1888, MARY S. MCDANIEL, wife of John O. Trainor, aged 47 years, 7 months and 3 days.

—At Opelousas, Dec. 15, 1888, LEOLA PHILOMENE, infant daughter of J. L. Cahanin and Philomène Richard, aged 6 months and 3 days.

—At his residence on Bayou Waxia on the 13th of December, 1888, at 9:30 p. m., JOHN HUDSPETH, aged 55 years.

CLEMENTS & WILSON,

On the approach of the Holidays, desire to announce to their numerous patrons and the public in general that they have made ample preparations for supplying their wants, and while extending to all

The Compliments of the Season,

They would also say that a personal inspection of their extensive establishment will demonstrate

TWO IMPORTANT FACTS:

First, that their assortment of goods in every department are fully up to all the requirements of this market; and, second, that their prices are as low as is consistent with sound business methods. WE OFFER NO BAITS, and are satisfied with a VERY SMALL PROFIT, but wish it distinctly understood that we are not

Selling Below Cost!

We have but ONE PRICE and that is the LOWEST. Our goods are all fresh and select, consisting of

—STAPLE AND FANCY—

GROCERIES

Dry Goods, Clothing,

BOOTS AND SHOES,

HATS AND CAPS, HARDWARE, AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, BUGGIES, GIGS, WAGONS, &c.

We would call special attention to our magnificent stock of

SHOES

For Ladies, Gents and Children, which will be found the most complete in town and sold at prices that DEFY COMPETITION. Our large sales in this line and the general satisfaction given both as to quality and prices, warrant us in saying that

WE LEAD THE MARKET IN SHOES.

JUST RECEIVED—A large lot of

Toys, Novelties, Fancy Goods, &c.,

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

While tendering our thanks to the public of St. Landry for the generous patronage accorded us during 1888, we desire to say that it will be our aim to continue to merit the same, and that 1889 will find us better prepared than ever to give satisfaction. We aim to please, and if square, honest dealing and low prices will do it, we have no doubt of

SUCCESS.

Highest Cash Prices Paid for all Country Produce,—COTTON, RICE, COTTON SEED, ETC., ETC.

J. K. SANDOZ

—DEALER IN—

DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, GROCERIES, &c.,

—CONTINUES TO SELL—

CHEAPER THAN THE CHEAPEST.

A visit to his establishment will convince you

THAT IT IS A FACT.

You can buy all white sugars at 10c
Best open kettle at 5½c
Fair rice at 5c
Lard at 9c
Flour Baker's Patent at 4c
Best Rio Coffee at 18c
All meats at 1 cent advance of city quatation
Good family soap 1½ lb bars at 5c
And everything else in proportion.

Ladies, Misses' and Gents shoes a specialty and competition defied.

Calicoes from 5 to 8c and of the prettiest designs admitted by all who have seen then.

Come and examine bleached and unbleached cottons, plaids, &c., all from the best mills.

All goods perfectly fresh.

One call will cause you to call again.

First come first served.

Santa Claus has not forgotten the good little folks and has deposited there for them a goodly supply of

HOLIDAY PRESENTS TO PLEASE THEM.

JONAS JACOBS,

Newsdealer & Stationer

OPELOUSAS, LA.

All the Leading Newspapers and Periodicals Kept Constantly on Hand.

HEADQUARTERS FOR

HOLIDAY PRESENTS,

—CONSISTING OF—

Wall Pockets, Picture Frames, Writing Desks, Assorted Papeteries, Inkstands, Shaving Toilets, Dressing Cases, Manicure Sets, Books, Tricks, Novelties, 5 and 10 Cent Toys,

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS, ALL KINDS OF FIREWORKS AND STATIONERY

Photograph and Autograph Albums, Vases, Etc.

My Motto is "Quick Sales and Small Profits."—Cheaper than the Cheapest.

The New Orleans States will issue a special edition on Sunday, December 23, 1888, which will be devoted to the advertising of New Orleans, in all its phases, as a winter resort, a great metropolis, an unexcelled port, a future manufacturing centre, the terminus of the vastest transportation systems in our country, etc.

Lafayette Advertiser: Christmas will soon be here, and so will the delinquent subscriber; but we are under the impression that Christmas will get here first, though we are open for conviction to the contrary.

The Southern Pacific will sell, on the 23d, 24th and 31st insts., excursion tickets good until Jan. 2d, between all regular ticket stations in Louisiana, at one fare for the round trip.

On account of the boisterous weather prevailing last Saturday, and a large freight list, the steamer Warren did not leave Washington until Sunday.

GRAND BALL!

At Social Club Hall, Opelousas,

Saturday, December 29, 1888,

—BY THE—

Corona Cornet and String Band,

Of Washington, La.

Admission, Gentlemen $1. Ladies free.

NOTICE.

THE Stock-holders of the St. Landry Homestead and Loan Association, are hereby notified, that a loan of One Thousand Dollars, ($1000.00) will be offered for sale, at the office of the Secretary, on Monday, January 7th, 1889, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

W. C. PERRAULT,
Dec. 22, 3t] Sec'y. St. L. H. & L. A.

Public School Notice.

THE Public Schools throughout the parish will be closed on December 21st and will remain closed until January 7th.

LAURENT DUPRE,
President Parish School Board.
Opelousas, Dec. 15, 1888.

JUDICIAL NOTICES.

PUBLIC SALE.

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 4888.

ESTATE OF FRANCOIS MORIN AND WIFE, MARGUERITE SIDALISE LEGER.

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 or any duly qualified auctioneer, at the front door of Jules Petetin's store in Grand Coteau, in the parish of St. Landry, on *WEDNESDAY*, January 16, 1888, the following described property, belonging to the estate of François Morin and wife, Marguerite Sidalise Léger, deceased, late of the parish of St. Landry, to-wit:

1. Fifty-seven arpents of woodland situated in prairie des Femmes, parish of St. Landry, bounded north by Felix Miller and others, east by bayou Fuselier, south by Célanise Morin and west by bayou Bourbeux.

2. Ninety-nine and one-half arpents of prairie land situated in prairie Basso, near Grand Coteau, in said parish, bounded on the north by widow Jean Bte. Robin and others, east by bayou Bourbeux, south by Célanise Morin and west by Valsin Richard and others.

3. One lot of beds and bedding, consisting of one feather bed, one mattress, two quilts, one blanket, six counterpanes and seven sheets.

4. One small trunk.

Terms and Conditions.—One-half of the purchase price cash on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal and annual instalments from the day of sale. Purchasers for the credit portions to furnish promissory notes with good personal surety in solido to the satisfaction of the administrator. The notes to bear eight per cent annual interest from maturity, secured by a special mortgage and vendor's privilege on the land to insure the payment thereof, as well as attorney's fees, fixed at ten per cent, in case of suit to enforce payment. The notes made payable to the order of the administrator. The land to be sold in four lots as nearly equal in extent as possible.

DAVID MECHE,
Dec. 15, 1888. Administrator.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

District Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 14423

Vincent Boagni vs. Armand Wartelle et Als.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the 13th Judicial District Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, in the above entitled and numbered suit, I will proceed to sell at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at the Court House in the town of Opelousas, parish of St. Landry, on SATURDAY, the 12th day of January, A. D. 1889, at 11 a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

A certain plantation near Gradnigo Island, in this parish, about four miles north-west of the town of Opelousas, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, containing about one thousand acres, more or less, being bounded north by Gus. E. Dupré and Lucien Dupré, south by Isaac Dupré, colored, Victor Ramas, colored, Etienne Pitre, colored, and property belonging to Alicia Joubertie, wife of Henry Lastrapes (now by James Brown, widow Isaac Dupré, Evariste François, Valiere Valmont, Etienne Pitre, Mrs. Henry Lastrapes and public road leading to Big Woods) and by property of John Simons, east by property of heirs of John Simons and by property of widow Edmond C. Dupré, west by François Antoine Pitre (now by J. Meyers & Co., or South-Western Louisiana Land Co., Moses Hilman, Sr., and Louisa Bell, wife of Eugene Bell) being same property Lastie Dupré had acquired of Caroline Vanhille, widow, Lucius J. Dupré, deceased, by act before Laurent Dupré, Notary Public, December 11th, 1877, saving and accepting the portions of said property, sold by said Wartelle to Louisa Bell, wife of Eugene Bell, to Moses Martin or Hilman, to Osborn Eaglin, to Etienne Pitre and to Moses Hilman, Sr., together with all the mules, horses, oxen, carts, all agricultural and aratory implements appertaining to said place, which said Lastie Dupré sold to said Wartelle on the 4th day of November, 1878, by act before Laurent Dupré, Notary Public.

Seized in the above entitled suit.

Terms—Cash. T. S. FONTENOT,
Sheriff of the parish of St. Landry.
Opelousas, Dec. 8, 1888.

PUBLIC SALE

TO EFFECT A PARTITION.

At the instance of the parties in interest, I will proceed to sell at public auction on Thursday, the 10th day of January, A. D., 1889, at the last residence of Mrs. Marie Cora Salles, situated in the town of Opelousas, the following described property:

A certain portion of land situated in the town of Opelousas, having a front of one arpent on Union street, running back between parallel lines to the depth, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, bounded on the north by property of Leonce and L. A. Sandoz, on the south by property of Joseph Bloch, east by Lombardy street, and west by Union street, and being the last residence of said Mrs. Salles.

The said property will be sold in a body or in lots to suit purchasers, as per plate to be exhibited on day of sale, on the following terms and conditions:

One third of the purchase price cash; the balance to be paid in one and two years from day of sale. Purchaser to subscribe his notes to represent these credit portions, which notes are to bear interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from date until paid. Special mortgage and vendor's lien and privilege are to be reserved on said property until full and entire payment of said purchase price and interest, and attorney's fees, fixed at ten per cent, in the event of suit to enforce the collection of said notes or any portion thereof. Acts of sale before G. L. Dupré, Notary, at purchaser's expense.

GILBERT L. DUPRE,
Dec. 8, 1888. Auctioneer.

PUBLIC SALE.

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 4912.

ESTATE OF FRANCOIS COLLINS.

By virtue of an order of the Honorable the District 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 or any duly qualified auctioneer, at the last residence of the deceased, in Mallet, in the parish of St. Landry, on WEDNESDAY, January 16, 1889, the following described property, belonging to the estate of François Collins deceased, to-wit:

1. A certain tract of prairie land situated at Plaquemine Ridge, in the parish of St. Landry, containing sixty arpents, with all the buildings and improvements thereon bounded as follows: on the north by David Bellard, on the east by Railroad land, on the south by M. Scanlan and on the west by Felix Guillory.

NOTE—This land is effected by special mortgage and vendor's privilege in favor of C. T. Andrus.

2. 30 arpents of wood land situated at Mallet woods, bounded north by unknown, south by John Knuth, east by H. L. Garland and west by Mrs. S. M. Young.

Two pairs work oxen;
One two-horse wagon;
Three gentle cows with calves;
Two old creole horses;
One gentle mare and yearling colt;
One wild three year old horse;
One branding iron;
One old buggy;
About 3000 lbs. cotton in seed;
About two hundred bushels of corn;
Twenty one sacks of rice;
One lot farming implements;
One lot household furniture.

Terms—Cash.

EUTROPE JARDOIN,
Dec. 15, '88. Administratrix.

TO TOWN TAX-PAYERS.

THE attention of the tax-payers of the town of Opelousas is called to the fact that their taxes are now due and must be paid on or before Dec. 31st in order to avoid costs.

ROBERT CHACHERE,
Acting Collector, Town of Opelousas.
Dec. 15, 1888.