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OPELOUSAS:

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To our Friends and Patrons.

We wish to call the attention of the friends and patrons of the COURIER to the necessity of their being on the alert, in the matter of judicial publications, (sheriff's sales especially), as a neglect on their part to give positive instructions as to where they desire such advertisement published, is apt to result in our being deprived of the patronage that would otherwise be given to us. The sheriff of this parish has been making himself especially zealous in the matter of securing sheriff's sales for the paper of which he is director and stockholder, and several publications of that nature have appeared in that paper which the parties interested would have selected to be done in the COURIER, had they been consulted; and others have been diverted from us at the special solicitation of the sheriff or his deputies serving the papers in the matter of seizures.

To those who prefer to patronize any other paper in this parish we have no desire to interfere with their preferences, but our friends who wish to favor us with their patronage are earnestly requested to see that the proper officers are instructed to have the publication done in the COURIER—and they are especially warned against allowing themselves to be induced to consent that the advertisement should be done in some other paper.

We had several showers of rain lately.

Chickens, eggs, fresh country butter and meal received daily at C. Hebert.

Lunch, Ice Cream, meals at all hours, at Mrs. C. Perrault's saloon.

Our streets are in fine condition, thanks to the intelligent handling of the street gang.

The best new syrup in town can be had at Clements & Wilson's at 50 cents a gallon.

We print anything from a full sheet poster to a visiting card, in the latest artistic style, at moderate prices.

An important meeting of the Committee of Twenty-five will be held at Perrodin's Hall next Monday, May 2d.

The fire-proof annex to the Courthouse is making satisfactory progress under the supervision of contractor Stewart.

Mr. D. Roos' two-story brick store building is going up with a rush under the experienced supervision of Mr. Geo. Van Horn.

Dr. Beagni has had built a neat and substantial shed in front of his store building occupied by Lacombe on Main Street, and made other needed repairs to the premises.

Some of our precocious politicians are said to be figuring already on the probable appointmens by our coming Governor. Are you not just a bit too previous, boys?

As we had no calm before the political storm, we are now enjoying that luxury after the fray, and matters have about settled down to their normal condition in our town and parish.

Mr. C. D. Stewart, of Opelousas, has just completed a residence for Mrs. Dr. Millard in Grand Coteau, which is said to be one of the finest buildings of the kind in that section, reflecting much credit on Mr. Stewart's taste and skill.

NOTICE.—A loan of $1,000 will be offered to the stock holders of the St. Landry Homestead and Loan Association, at the office of the Association, on Monday, May 9, 1892, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. C. BAILEY, Secretary.
April 30, 1892.

The beautiful bank building is showing its elegant proportions, and the outside work will soon be finished. The golden eagle which hovers over the edifice on the top of the tower presents a gorgeous effect and sets off the ornamental work to advantage.

Our planters are busy with their crops; our mechanics are all employed; and our merchants generally complain that trade is slack. The average politician's occupation is gone, and everything is apparently calm and serene.

We publish to-day a table of the vote cast in this parish at the last election for State, District and parish officers, according to the returns promulgated by the returning officer of St. Landry. We also give a list of the Justices of the Peace and constables elected throughout the parish.

Under the progressive administration of Governor Nicholls we have reached that point where we carry an election by putting the registration lists in the ballot boxes, and then signing the returns. It is a quick way of voting the people and saves a good deal of time.

An excursion from Franklin to Alexandria is on the tapis for May 8th, under the auspices of the Benevolent Association of New Iberia and the Breaux Bridge Firemen.

Fare—from Lafayette, $2; Carencro and Grand Coteau, $1.75; Opelousas and Washington, $1.50. All points above Washington, one-half regular rate.

Our public square needs a new fence. Why not put up a neat, substantial iron fence; it would be better economy in the long run than to be continually patching and renewing a wooden fence. We also hope to see a good sidewalk built around our court house square. Money invested in permanent public improvements is money well spent. Let our town and parish authorities come together and carry out some much needed improvements.

Amen.

The New Orleans Republican of the 22nd inst., speaks as follows:

"It is fast becoming obvious that a qualified and limited suffrage is absolutely necessary in this State, and that all elections should be held under the protection of the Astralian system. The right of suffrage is fast becoming an article of merchandise, and is placed upon the market with about the same eagerness that the fruit vender betrays in the disposal of his fruit. One thing is certain, that there is a very large portion of voters in this State who never vote unless they succeed in getting some mercenary consideration for their votes. * * * * When it is taken into consideration that nearly 40 per cent. of the total number of votes are illiterate, unable to write their own names, and goodness knows what per cent. are purchasable; it ought to convince any loyally disposed person that a qualified and limited suffrage is the only salvation for our State government."

We heartily agree to the truth of the above. Personal observations, repeated at every election have forced the conclusion upon our mind that suffrage should and *must* be qualified. Various experiments have been tried, but not one with such satisfactory results, as the Australian plan. This is entirely feasible under our State Constitution, because it carries with it no kind of discrimination on account of race or color. An act of the general assembly, simply providing how the voter shall manage to cast his ballot, how the tickets shall be printed, by whom to be supplied, and how deposited, would be sufficient. The voter could vote as he pleased, and if he cast a legal vote, it would be counted, and if not rejected. The failure to make his ticket would result from his own ignorance, for which no one should be to blame but himself. To avoid circumvention of the blight of ignorance, the commissioners should be authorized—in duty obliged—to prohibit the use of stensils at the box. We desire to see if our patriotic legislators will take this matter in hand when the General Assembly shall meet next month.

The duty is, in our opinion, absolutely imperative. There is no sense nor patriotism in everlastingly canting about the freedom of elections, fair counts and about the ballot box as being the palladium of our liberty,—when we see votes bought, voters intimidated, ballots counterfeited, ignorance taken advantage of, boxes stuffed, false counting and perjured returns, taking place at every election over all the State.

The election law should be remodeled in several particulars. The powers of the Governor affecting elections should be taken from him. There is no more necessity for giving him those he has under the present law, than there is for authorizing him to name his successor in office. His flat marks the limit of the popular will, and we are virtually living under the rule, as to elections, of an absolute autocrat. Unless the legislature change all this, the time will speedily come when his audacity will reach its culmination either by unblushing frauds or, bloody revolution. We cannot believe the majority of the voting population of Louisiana, has become so abject, vile, humiliated and humble as to submit quietly to such unsurpation. Why should the Governor name canvassers of elections and the law invest them with authority to name all the commissioners of election? Would it not amount to the same thing to authorize him to select all the officials of the State without putting the people to the periodical expense of holding, what is falsely called an election? The *will of the people* has become a by word, a meaningless—fruitless thing.

Talk about government deriving the power from the consent of the governed! Why, it is simply nonsense. The governor has become all in all. His will is the Supreme law—he is no longer the representative of the people—they are the henchmen of his will. The appointing power makes minions of his appointees, and the penalty of their disobedience is decapitation. We say give us the Australian system and make special provision that not more than two minutes shall be given a voter when at the poll in which to make his ticket. In large precincts increase the polling booths. Then if anything goes wrong the public and the candidates will know where and before whom it occurred. Then we can afford to live under the law, and Commissioners will not be required to baffle the will of the voters to appease the vengeance of a Governor.

A portion of the lower story of the COURIER building on Main street is for rent. It is centrally located and well adapted for a business stand or offices. For terms apply at this office

We obtain patents for protection, not for ornament. Send for our valuable pamphlet. DuBois & DuBois, Inventive Age Building, Washington, D. C. Mention this paper.

Our stock of shoes is simply immense, both for ladies and gentlemen and youths, including the latest spring styles. Clements & Wilson.

If you want a good lunch, a square meal or nice lodging, go to Mrs. A. Sandoz, Bellevue street, near corner of Main.

Drugs, chemicals, fancy articles, perfumery, etc., all fresh and select at Kramer's drugstore, Posey's old stand.

B. M. Hulse, attorney of the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, has money to loan on improved plantations.

Ice cream at Mrs. A. Sandoz's, Bellevue street, near of corner Main.

TABLE OF VOTES

Cast at the Election Held in the Parish of St. Landry April 19, 1892.

PRECINCTS.	For Governor					Judge		Sheriff		Clrek		Disc. At.		Coroner		Senators				Representatives								
	M. J. Foster	S. D. McEnery	A. H. Leonard	J. E. Breaux	R. L. Tannehill	W. C. Perrault	E. T. Lewis	J. L. Fontenot	T. S. Fontenot	C. M. Thompson	R. Chachere	Jno. N. Ogden	E. B. Dubuisson	R. M. Littell	B. Guilbeau	Gus. E. Fontenot	C. J. Thompson	C. W. Ward	D. B. Hayes	G. L. Dupré	F. Donahy	A. V. Lastrapes	John Austin	J. Beauchamp	Eli Clark	Geo. Pulford	Adolphe Stagg	Placide Robin	N. McBride
Opelousas	213	112	200	431	3	587	370	503	453	593	360	608	349	822	133	575	586	370	374	363	190	197	429	263	131	200	189	140	615
Washington	88	93	1	423	2	507	100	514	97	514	96	497	108	519	88	492	500	109	110	247	76	1	422	33	93	81	78	94	424
Waxia	31	20	4	141	23	174	45	178	40	174	43	174	43	168	51	172	187	29	46	172	35	3	141	3	37	38	37	35	141
Palmetto	21	2	83	58	0	102	60	107	60	105	61	120	47	138	29	106	116	59	60	1	25	83	58	140	0	22	19	1	144
Melville	50	49	0	8	0	57	50	56	51	58	49	57	50	60	47	57	57	50	49	58	48	0	0	0	57	48	49	50	8
Atchafalaya at Richard's	65	0	11	44	0	11	108	11	108	11	109	11	110	36	84	9	9	110	110	23	97	11	0	11	11	98	98	0	23
Big Cane	53	17	223	2	0	161	130	159	130	167	126	160	131	244	46	157	158	131	132	19	49	221	2	221	19	53	52	17	224
Morrow	47	7	73	0	0	66	59	68	58	67	56	67	59	82	44	67	66	59	57	8	43	71	0	71	8	45	45	8	71
Whiteville	117	3	15	155	0	127	159	126	162	146	160	113	177	141	148	126	130	156	162	119	149	5	187	8	9	150	161	9	122
Lower Bayou Bœuf	20	0	0	40	1	15	51	44	22	49	16	34	32	48	18	47	47	19	19	13	16	0	44	3	5	16	16	6	54
Plaisance—at Lachapelle's	57	8	8	159	0	192	37	194	37	199	32	193	40	199	31	192	191	40	41	184	33	5	160	6	32	36	35	32	165
Grand Paitie—at Vidrine's	46	50	0	94	0	152	38	155	35	151	39	150	40	148	40	152	152	38	38	144	41	0	94	0	55	40	39	57	94
Plaisance—at Vidrine's	79	0	9	15	0	24	78	32	80	33	70	25	78	32	71	20	20	80	80	20	72	6	15	9	6	72	73	6	24
Gr'd Prairie—at Deshotels'	63	14	0	96	0	118	55	121	52	108	65	118	55	110	55	118	118	55	55	116	55	0	94	0	24	55	56	24	94
Ville Plate	176	96	0	137	4	286	116	283	130	277	133	269	146	268	142	273	269	139	141	258	146	0	89	0	177	146	145	139	136
Bayou Chicot	72	33	0	34	24	95	66	91	70	127	35	101	61	105	50	89	109	48	58	84	64	0	0	0	92	67	61	92	0
Cocodrie	25	2	0	0	9	10	26	11	23	11	25	11	24	7	28	11	12	24	25	10	25	0	0	0	11	35	25	10	0
Dossman	15	21	0	0	46	29	53	5	77	46	36	35	47	37	44	9	11	73	69	9	79	0	0	0	1	62	64	9	0
Beaver Creek	29	12	4	0	10	23	33	24	31	26	30	18	38	29	26	22	22	32	32	0	34	2	0	2	20	31	29	23	2
Mamou—at Landreneau's	197	16	0	7	40	99	155	87	173	63	193	57	201	61	186	55	53	202	206	50	209	0	5	0	39	205	206	42	7
Pointe Grand Louis	132	6	0	65	13	103	111	94	121	90	126	91	123	97	117	84	84	132	132	84	131	0	65	0	20	132	133	19	65
Lower Mamou	274	0	0	0	0	86	181	32	241	67	205	30	242	62	208	33	30	241	244	34	241	0	0	0	30	243	244	30	0
Faquetaique	239	0	0	0	0	128	109	88	151	95	145	88	151	133	105	91	92	149	150	77	151	0	0	0	91	151	147	91	0
Chataignier	206	0	0	1	0	76	127	37	171	39	170	52	156	38	171	38	37	172	171	37	170	0	0	0	36	170	167	36	0
Mallet	128	0	35	162	0	206	126	155	177	185	146	198	133	220	109	190	194	138	144	188	103	31	138	35	34	104	105	0	196
Plaquemine Point	113	4	8	87	5	90	126	93	124	122	92	113	104	123	94	96	118	98	103	78	77	0	0	0	38	94	90	0	0
Coulée Croche	177	14	27	69	0	113	160	84	189	187	90	134	145	32	240	88	85	162	161	92	164	27	60	27	19	168	164	19	88
Grand Coteau	244	9	144	63	0	145	315	117	343	172	289	117	339	6	455	135	136	326	325	162	168	118	78	127	78	196	192	69	205
Bellevue	61	4	109	69	0	85	151	87	152	100	142	95	147	178	63	78	80	157	159	84	54	108	0	111	0	56	55	132	171
Léonville	243	7	161	21	0	132	294	114	317	117	316	106	328	47	381	105	96	328	329	72	144	157	20	158	71	172	166	0	0
Notleyville	68	13	102	9	3	37	159	24	168	31	166	24	167	44	147	28	27	167	167	19	72	89	9	89	17	72	76	39	99
Plaisance—at Joubert's	17	0	5	29	0	26	25	25	26	26	25	27	24	31	20	26	26	25	25	20	18	5	27	6	20	17	17	33	32
Pine Prairie	69	0	0	0	0	1	68	1	68	4	66	0	69	0	69	0	0	69	70	0	70	0	0	0	0	69	69	0	0
Total	3434	611	1222	2419	183	4063	3741	3714	4136	4140	3713	3892	3965	4216	3420	3731	3798	3984	4051	2834	3066	1156	2190	1334	1251	3229	3094	1328	3467

A Surprise.

On Monday night last the young ladies of this place, availing themselves of the privilege accorded them by the customs of leap year, got up a magnificent surprise for Judge and Mrs. E. North Cullom. We have been informed that it was gotten up as a tribute of respect and admiration of Miss Anita Doremus, the elder daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Doremus. The spacious premises of Mrs. Cullom were festooned and beautified by myriad blooms and evergreens.

The long front gallery and spacious rooms were ablaze with bright lights, and ice cream, cakes and lemonade were served in the greatest abundance. About thirty-five young ladies and a corresponding number of young gentlemen were present. The former looked as charming as the sex can look, whilst the latter appreciating their bewitching smiles and loveliness, were as polite, attentive and gallant as Knights Errand are reported to have been. All danced to voluptuous music until nearly one o'clock Tuesday morning.

We are told it was *the* entertainment of the season. Some of the more elderly ladies made themselves eminently useful in serving the delicacies.

We think nothing is more indicative of enlightenment, and the progress of society than such parties. The night was lovely and not a thing occurred to mar the pleasures of the evening. Miss Doremus may well feel proud of the entertainment.

In another colmun, under the head of "Louisiana Land Cases," will be found a special from Washington City to the N. O. Picayune, dated April 22d, which is of great importance to a large number of citizens of our parish; it is in fact a decision by the Secretary of the Interior that settlers on N. O. P. R. R. lands within the indemnity limits who have filed homestead entries after Dec. 20, 1883, are void, and the lands selected by the R. R. Company at that date belongs to that company. Settlers on those lands affected by that decision would do well to see the representative of the N. O. Pacific R. R. Co., in this section, Mr. C. C. Duson, who we learn is authorized to make arrangements very favorable to actual settlers who have made improvements on these lands after December 20, 1883, by which they can save the value of said improvements. It will be much better for them to accept any reasonable terms from the R. R. Company, than to be mislead into incurring useless expense and risk losing all by trying to avoid the effects of this decision of the Secretary of the Interior.

Our community was startled last Wednesday evening at about 1:30 p. m. by the alarm of fire, which proved to be the residence of Mrs. Clara Perrault situated in the eartern part of town, and occupied by Mr. Carville Gonor. A large crowd of citizens and the Fire Department promptly responded, but the building was soon in ashes and proved a total loss. A part of the furniture, &c. was saved. As there was no insurance on the building this will prove a severe loss to Mrs. Perrault. The fire is said to have originated through the carelessness of the cook in leaving the stove door open resulting in coals from the stove dropping out on the floor and setting fire to the place. When the fire was discovered it had gained too much headway to be checked.

Another oasis in the desert of defeat is the election of the Fitzpatrick municipal ticket in New Orleans. Fitz and his "boys" may not be as eminently respectable in the opinion of some nice people as those who are arrayed in purple and fine linen and fare sumptuously every day, but they are true democrats who bore the heat and burden of the two arduous primary campaigns, manfully and faithfully, and they are entitled to reap some reward for their services. The war on them inside our camp raised up plenty of sympathy for them throughout the State, and their success is a matter of sincere congratulation among hosts of democrats who like justice and fair play.—Baton Rouge Advocate.

Personal.

Jas. J. Lewis visited Marksville this week.

Col. Mark Lazaro was in town Tuesday.

Senator C. C. Duson left for New Orleans last Monday.

Mr. J. Frankle, of Crowley, was in town the first of the week.

Judge elect W. C. Perrault returned from a professional trip to New Orleans Tuesday.

Mr. Jos. L. Cain left on Wednesday's train for a short stay in the Crescent City.

Miss Lell Lastrapes, of Washington, is visiting our town, the guest of Miss Mary Littell.

W. S. Frazee, Esq., and Capt. Prescott visited New Orleans on legal business this week.

W. B. White, Esq., of Abbeville, came up Saturday on a visit to friends and relatives here.

Miss Eloise Frazee, next eldest daughter of C. A. Frazee, formerly of this place, died at Lake Charles on the 23d inst.

Mr. Moses Rosenthal and daughter, of Alexandria, after a short stay in our town, left on Wednesday for their home.

Mr. Elkin Moses, of New Orleans, is in our town in the interest of the Pacific Mutual Life insurance Co. of California.

Mr. Geo. W. VanHorn returned from New Orleans this week, whither he had been to try to secure the contract for the Tulane University.

The head of the firm of J. K. Sandoz & Bro. has been on a business trip to New Orleans this week, and the patrons of the house may look for bargains on his return.

From the experience gained in the recent campaign it is a question whether nominating State Conventions will be popular with the people in the future or not. A precedent has been set for a minority to bolt, and when backed by a partisan governor with autocratic power to remove returning officers and manipulate the elections according to his dictation, a majority can always be overcome. The governor has too much power, and until his authority is brought within constitutional limits we cannot have genuine Democratic government in Louisiana. Gov. Nicholls has shown us how a partisan and personal governor can override the rights of the people. Will Governor Murphy J. Foster follow in his administrative steps? We will wait and see.—Crowley Signal.

Hayes became President of the United States through the partisan ruling of the Electoral Commission, and he has retired into private life followed by the contempt of all men. Foster accepted the award of the Young Returning Board, which counted out McEnery, the choice of the majority of the Democrats of the State. Foster will retire from the Governorship with the stains upon his record of having accepted a nomination not belonging to him.

Those who supported McEnery have the proud satisfaction of knowing that he was twice the choice of the majority of the white people of the State, while Foster, can attribute his majority to the votes of the negroes and to the gross manipulation of the election machinery in his behalf.

Get your planters, cultivators and harrows from Clements & Wilson. They lead the market in improved agricultural implements.

When you desire to purchase goods look carefully over the COURIER and then go and patronize the business men who advertise therein.

Kramer—Posey's old stand, keeps a full stock of fresh drugs, chemicals, fancy goods, etc, etc.

Just received, a fine line of India Dimitys, Irish lawns, Puff Bosom shirts, scarfs, etc., at Clements & Wilson's.

Justices of the Peace and Constables.

The following list contains the names of the Justices of the Peace and Constables elected throughout the parish on April 19th, 1892. The 17th and 18th wards no longer exist, being comprised within the limits of the present parish of Acadia.

1st Ward—Justices of the Peace, Thos. B. Brooks and J. B. G. Donato. Constables, J. B. Zacharie and Preston Brown.
2d Ward—J. P., John B. Fontenot. Constable, Adolphe Guillory.
3d Ward—J. P., John A. Smith. Constable—David Meche.
4th Ward—J. P., Pierre Mistrick. Constable—Anatole Arnaud.
5th Ward—J. P., W. J. Neilson. Constable—David Frame.
6th Ward—J. P., H. B. Taylor. Constable—Alfred Young.
7th Ward—J. P., Jules Godeau. Constable—Joseph Labrie.
8th Ward—J. P., J. J. Neyland. Constable—G. R. Baillio.
9th Ward—J. P., B. F. Vannoy. Constable—J. M. Jackson.
10th Ward—J. P., Marius Robéri. Constable—R. C. Fontenot.
11th Ward—J. P., E. P. Carson. Constable—W. P. Wolff.
12th Ward—J. P., Yorick Vidrine. Constable—Olivier T. Lafleur.
13th Ward—J. P., Robert Tate. Constable—Sebastien Fontenot.
14th Ward—J. P., S. J. Gosselin. Constable—J. A. McClelland.
15th Ward—J. P., A. W. Déjean. Constable—V. S. Bourque.
16th Ward—J. P., David Courville. Constable—Honoré Fusilier.
19th Ward—J. P., Ben. Guidry. Constable—James Darby.
20th Ward—J. P., Alexander Stagg. Constable—Charles Lafleur.

Louisiana Land Cases.

Special to N. O. Picayune.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Secretary of the Interior announced today some important decisions in Louisiana cases, of which a large number have been recently decided, relating to the rights of settlers and the New Orleans Pacific Railway Company, respectively.

In the case of the New Orleans Pacific against Euzebe Bertrand, the Secretary gave a decision which covers a class of the same kind of cases. Bertrand claimed land entered in section 21, township P. south of range east, T, which had been selected by the railway company.

The commissioner of the general land office decided in favor of Bertrand. This land lies within the indemnity limits of the grant to the railroad under act of March 3, 1871, and was selected in December, 1883. It was approved to the State in January, 1861, and was reconveyed to the United States by the Governor of the State Feb 24, 1888. On Aug 6, 1888, Bertrand tendered a homestead application for the land, alleging settlement on the 4th of the same month.

The decision of the commissioner in favor of Bertrand was based on the ground that at the date of the company's selection the title to the land was vested in the State of Louisiana by reason of the certification of January, 1861. The grant under act of June 3, 1856, was forfeited by the act of July 4, 1870, and in the case of the said company against Sancier it was held that said act of forfeiture operated to restore the lands to the public domain. Said certification was, therefore, no bar to the company's selection of Dec. 20, 1883, and the lands being free from adverse claim and subject to selection at that date. The application of Bertrand presented in August, 1888, must be rejected. The decision of the commissioner is reversed.

A similar decision was given in the cases of Eloi Bushnell, Gerard Celestin, Joseph Bertrand, Claborne Birotte, Lawrence Bushnell, the decision of the commissioner being reversed and the claims rejected.

The Secretary of the Interior has also decided the case of Elias L. Bunyett vs the N. O. Pacific R. R., on appeal from the Commissioner of the General Land Office. This appeal is decided in favor of the railroad. It is similar in character to the Euzebe Bertrand case. This decision reverses the Lamon order or ruling permitting persons to enter homesteads on Railroad sections.

General Notes.

The street car line at Lake Charles is said to be a paying concern.

The McEnery parish ticket was successtul in St. Mary, electing the clerk, sheriff and coroner.

Some of the country parishes outvoted themselves Tuesday.—Ruston Caligraph.

The Electoral College of 1892 contains 444 votes, of these 223 are absolutely necessary to a choice.

Now that Foster is elected all we have to do is to fold our arms and watch the immigrants pour in.—Ruston Caligraph.

If you cannot say anything good about your town, you can hold your tongue with becoming grace. Don't be a croaker.—Alexandria Times.

The lottery amendment seems to have been entirely lost sight of in the shuffle, and yet the Foster leaders told us to the very last that it was a living issue.—Baton Rouge Advocate.

Was Mr. Foster more successful in trading with the Chief Justiceship than he proved to be with Fitzpatrick regarding the tax-offices and harbormasterships?—N. O. City Item.

The orange crop of Braddish Johnson's orange farm sold for $40,000 the last season, while it was in bud. The expenses of the place are about $5000 a year, which leaves a neat profit of $35,000.—Morgan City Review.

Two car loads of Chinamen passed over the Southern Pacific Wednesday morning for New Orleans. They were in charge of United States officials, and will be shipped back to China, having entered this country in violation of the Chinese exclusion law.—Lafayette Advertiser.

Now and then a non-supporter of the Herald utters the complaint that we are too liberal in mentioning the wares of our advertisers. Bless you, those are the people, above all others, who deserve editorial notice; their support goes a long way in making our living, and that's what we are here for.—Lake Arthur Herald.

During the electric storm last Thursday, Mr. Aristide Langlanias, living 10 miles North-east of Abbeville, while feeding his two mules, was struck by lightening and instantly killed. Both mules were also killed.

During the same storm Miss Clementine Lapoint, living a few miles Southwest of Abbeville, was also killed by being struck by lightening.—Vermilion Star.

Several days ago Frank Gibson caught a 75-lb. turtle from the lake, and the animal proved to be a regular museum. In his stomach was found four large fish hooks, bent in all shapes, an aligator's foot and an under jaw of the same creature. If the turtle had been engaged in a fight with the aligator, which the evidence indicates, he seems to have come off victorious.—Lake Arthur Herald.

Many newspapers have sprung up during the last two years, for the sole purpose of mixing in with the campaigners; many on the other hand have died in their infancy—something like the Louisiana Farmer's Alliance, which could have led a very fruitful life had it not jumped from its cradle into the arms of politics, which will either build up or crush under any concern, just as the notion strikes.—Attakapas Vindicator.

On the 22nd inst the Supreme Court reversed the decision of Judge Taylor of Terrahaute, by which Geo. M. Allen and W. O. Fishback, proprietor and editor respectively of the Terre Haute Express, were committed to jail for thirty days each for contempt of court.

The Express published articles criticizing the grand jury and Judge Taylor in connection with an investigation of alleged municipal crookedness. The Supreme Court holds that journals have the right to criticise public officials, but there is a limit beyond which they must not go. It is held that in this instance the criticism did not go beyond the bounds.

Every farm should be self-sustaining, and [illegible] makes a farm pay and a

JUDICIAL NOTICES

PUBLIC SALE

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 5150

ESTATE OF DAVID BROWN, Dec'd.

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 Lucius G. Dupré, a duly qualified auctioneer, on the premises first herein described, five miles north of Opelousas, in the parish of St. Landry, on

Tuesday, May 24, 1892,

the following described property, to-wit:

1. One tract of land bounded north by public road leading to Bayou Marie Croquant from Church prairie, about four miles east of Opelousas, south by land of Felix Mack, east by land of Jackson Perry, and west by land belonging lately to T. C. Anderson or to estate of Mrs. T. C. Anderson, acquired from H. L. Garland and V. Boagni, containing about twenty acres.

2. One tract of land near the above, bounded north by land of Felix Mack, south by land of Mrs. C. H. Comeau, east by land formerly of T. C. Anerson or Mrs. T. C. Anderson, and west by land of Napoleon Amy, containing about twenty-two arpents.

Movable property, cattle, horses, etc.
Terms—cash.

ALFRED BROWN,
April 23, 1892. Administrator.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

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

ESTATE OF ACHILLE FONTENOT dec'd.

Whereas, Marie Bertrand, of the parish of St. Landry, has applied by her petition to be appointed administratrix of the estate of Achille Fontenot, dec'd, late of St. Landry parish;

Therefore, any person intending to make opposition to said appointment will file the same in writing, in my office, in the town of Opelousas, within ten days from the present notice. C. M. THOMPSON,
April 30, 1892. Clerk.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

Probate Court, Parish of St. Landry, No. 2658

ESTATE OF JAS. S. GREENLEE.

Whereas, Sarah A. Greenlee, widow Lawless, of the Parish of St. Landry, has applied by her petition to be appointed administratrix of the estate of James S. Greenlee, deceased, late of the Parish of St, Landry;

Therefore, any person intending to make opposition to said appointment will file the same in writing, in my office, in the town of Opelousas, within ten days from the present notice. C. M. THOMPSON,
April 30, 1892. Clerk.

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April 16, '92 tf A. KRAMER.