

Opelousas Courier.

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Church Directory.

PROTESTANT CHURCH—Services at Opelousas every 3d Sunday of the month at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. At Bellevue, the first Sunday of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. REV. GEO. FRAZER, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH—At Opelousas, 1st, 3d and 4th Sundays 11 o'clock a. m. and 7 p. m. At Bellevue, 2d, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th, 18th, 20th, 22d, 24th, 26th, 28th, 30th, 31st, 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath 3:30 p. m. Prayers Meeting every Wednesday night at 7. Sabbath School 10 o'clock every Sabbath. E. T. DENSON, P. C.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH—There will be divine service in the "Church of the Epiphany" on the 2d Sunday in the month at 11 o'clock a. m. and on the 4th Sunday at 3:30 p. m., the Rev. A. R. Price officiating.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Opelousas, on the 1st and 2d Sundays of every month. REV. PHILLIPS, Pastor.

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, (their sales especially), as a neglect on their part to give positive instructions as to where they desire such advertisements published, is the cause of 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 advertising 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 directed to consent that the advertisement 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 preference, 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.

Our merchants generally, say trade is dull for this season.

Three prisoners made their escape from our parish jail last Tuesday night. One has been recaptured.

The sheriffs of the State had a meeting in New Orleans Monday, and the adjourned on Tuesday.

The Daily Free Press is the name of a new evening paper published in New Orleans, by a stock company, with Col. J. C. Wickliffe, formerly of the Delta, as editor.

The attention of the public is pretty well directed at this moment on the Mitchell-Corbet fight, the Hawaiian embargo, the Brazilian rampage and the Wilson tariff bill, with an occasional railroad wreck or Anarchist outrage thrown in to vary the monotony.

Signor Bosco performed here three days this week and left quite a number of souvenirs. The Signor gives a good, clean show for the price, and makes a liberal distribution of beautiful and useful presents wherever he goes.

The Police Jury was in session from Monday until Thursday evening of this week, and the proceedings are quite voluminous. As the Jury adjourned too late for us to publish its proceedings in this issue, we will have to postpone their publication until next week.

It is said that a young lady of this city decorated her room with photographs and perched her best fellow pictures on the topmost nail. Then she sat down to admire her work and smilingly remarked: "Now, everything is lovely and the goose hangs high."

A meeting of the bankers of this State was held in New Orleans on the 11th inst., and organized an association of Louisiana Bankers, by the election of the following officers: A. D. Foster, of Jeanerette, president; T. R. Roach, of New Orleans, secretary; J. T. Skipper, of Opelousas, treasurer. Delegates from most of the prominent cities of the State were present.

General John B. Gordon will deliver his famous lecture on the "Last Days of the Confederacy" at Washington Artillery Hall in New Orleans, on Friday, Feb. 2d 1894, for the benefit of the Soldiers' Home of Louisiana. We have a few tickets for sale at this office at \$1, and no one who will be in the city on the 2d of Feb'y. should fail to hear the eloquent Southerner, and at the same time assist a most worthy cause.

On the 12th of January, 1894, was celebrated a happy event in the life of our worthy townman, Julius Meyers, Esq., and his amiable wife, being the anniversary of their silver wedding, on which occasion a large circle of friends assembled to offer congratulations on the happy occasion. Many congratulatory telegrams from friends at a distance were received, among others a cablegram from Europe from the aged mother of Mr. Meyers, who is 90 years old. Among the guests present on the occasion were the following:

Misses Julie Bloch, Yetta and Fannie Jacobs, Fannie and Rosa Finberg, Lily Harris, Keene Corkey, Biela Hébert, Clara Cook, Mrs. F. G. Marks, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Bloch, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lefebvre, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Finberg, Messrs. Elders Silverberg, Henry Ross, Nathan P. Ross, Louis Soliman, Nathan Ross, David Ross, Jonas Jacobs, Leo Ross, Jos. and Robert Finberg, Jos. L. Cain, Maurer Deyon, M. Goussin, Sidney L. Hebrard, Ed. Klitz.

The COURIER was remembered on the occasion with a generous sample of wine and cake and while acknowledging the compliment takes occasion to wish the worthy couple many returns of the happy event.

The Annual Meeting of the State Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the State Agricultural Society, which will be held in Opelousas January 24, 25, and 26, promises to be perhaps the most brilliant meeting since the Society was inaugurated by Gov. McEnery some eight years ago. A large number of distinguished speakers on agricultural subjects have already consented to address the meeting, as has also Gov. Foster, who will deliver an address on "The relation of the state to agriculture," certainly a matter of prime importance in an agricultural state like Louisiana. Prof. S. A. Knapp, of Calcasieu parish, formerly professor of agriculture in the University of Iowa, will deliver an address on Technical education in agriculture, and the professor will know ability and rare oratorical powers will make his address a marked feature of the occasion. Col. Gus. A. Breaux, of Lafayette, will deliver an address on the "Adaptability of Prairie lands of Louisiana to Cane culture." Diversified crops in Louisiana will be discussed by the well known agriculturist, Mr. A. Dimmick, of Bellevue, the resources of St. Landry will be brought out in an address by Mr. T. Blackbear, of Plaisance, while sugar growing and manufacture in Southwest Louisiana will be discussed by Mr. John H. Humble, of Washington. Mr. S. F. Reed, of Opelousas, will deliver an address on our western prairies.

Immigration will be discussed by Hon. J. G. Hawka, commissioner of immigration, Col. S. C. Cary, of Calcasieu, and Mr. John N. Ogden, of St. Landry.

The committee of arrangements are in correspondence with a number of other prominent speakers and every effort will be made to have the meeting in Opelousas of the most attractive character. The Southern Pacific and Texas Pacific railroads have agreed to carry passengers to Opelousas at 1/4 rates on the certificate plan, full rate being paid going and 1/4 rate returning. It is hoped that everyone interested in Louisiana agriculture will do all possible to promote the success of this meeting and to make it one of the greatest assemblages of our leading agriculturists that has ever been held in this state. All agriculturists and all agricultural organizations have been invited to attend or to send delegates. The police juries of the various parishes have been requested to send delegates to the meeting and to pay their expenses. There never was a time in the history of Louisiana agriculture when so much depression was prevalent, and yet it is obvious that with well directed intelligence on other states in the Union offers such advantages to agriculturists as does Louisiana. We hope that the meeting will be a grand success and are confident that it will give a positive impetus in the direction of agricultural advancement.

The selection of the city of Opelousas, directly in the center of perhaps the finest agricultural district in the state of Louisiana, was a most happy one, and differs from other parts of the state will be delighted with the grand agricultural possibilities of their sister section of this state.

Vick's Floral Guide for 1894

contains descriptions that describe, not mislead; illustrations that instruct, not exaggerate. This year it comes to us in a suit of gold. Printed in eight different colors besides black. Colored plates of Chrysanthemums, Poppies and Veggies. On the front cover is a very exquisite bunch of Vick's new white branching Aster and on the back is the New Double Anemone; 112 pages filled with many new novelties of value as well as all the old leading varieties of flowers and vegetables.

We advise our friends who intend doing anything in the garden this year to consult Vick before starting operations. Send 10 cents to James Vick's Sons, Rochester, N. Y., for Vick's Guide, it costs nothing, as you can deduct the 10 cents from first order. It certainly will pay you.

The editor of the St. Mary Banner

is a veteran newspaper man, and knows whereof he speaks, and this is his opinion of the newspaper "snide":

The Iberville South has bid in the Parish Printing for the year for ONE DOLLAR. Such damnable proceedings from some men who pose as honorable members of the press, are a disgrace to the profession. The press of the State is full of such snide and fake newspaper men.

Wonder how Bro. Watson would classify the Clarion which offered (and pretends) to do the parish, town, and school board printing for nothing?

Our townsmen manifested but little curiosity to see the Rhode Island Giant when an exhibition here last Friday and Saturday. Some who did not think it necessary to go and look at it, ventured to pronounce it a fake. We did look at it, and it did not appear to be one to us. We thought it a mummified human being. Had it been of an ordinary size, none would have doubted it, but this alone gave rise to the doubt. If it be a work of art, it is a wonderful example of human ingenuity, and if it be natural, everyone should see it.

The Claiborne Guardian-Journal,

discussing the danger of the constitutional commission, says: "It looks more and more like the constitutional commission was a failure. We are afraid we will have to have a constitutional convention before we get the reforms the state needs." That's about the size of it.

We have a few patent single-trees bought at auction, at a bargain, which we will sell at half price. Only a few left, so if you want one, call at once at this office.

Jos. Bloch will astonish you in low prices. He carries a full line of dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes, etc., and is selling them to suit the hard times.

Shelled corn at 5 cents a gal., at J. K. Sandoz & Bro's Branch Store.

The Public Roads.

To say that they are horrible and terrific is the only description the present condition of the public roads, warrant.

In going to any distant part of the parish, except Washington and Grand Coteau, one must travel to every point of the compass, so crooked are they. Our Police Jury should make an inspection and study of them, with a view to straightening, shortening and draining them. For at least three months to come we are to have them almost entirely impassable in very many places. The consequence will necessarily be, to prevent travel and to suspend the hauling of produce to the towns. Opelousas must be the principle sufferer. Why the roads leading here have not been attended to is a little singular to say the least of it. One of the most important duties imposed on the Police Jury by the laws creating them, is, the laying out, and improvement of the public roads, the building of bridges, etc. There is no economy in neglecting this duty.

The roads in St. Landry might be very much shortened, and desirably improved. In very many places they served only as the channels through and over which the rain floods of the fields and prairie flow. In travelling over them after heavy rains, horses are often half leg deep in water, and are frequently floundering through mud holes into which they sink to their bodies. All this results from want of a little timely work, and a proper system of drainage. It is astonishing that the planters appear satisfied with such a condition of the roads.

Drummers, as a rule, are not credited with all the piety of an anchorite, but if they were, we feel satisfied the condition they find the roads in, as they try to streak it through the country, would often shake it. It amounts to cruelty to animals to drive them any great distance over our roads. Do let us have them improved. Planters, save your faithful animals, and do something with the roads, to save you from swearing.

Personal.

Mr. L. G. Godeaux of Big Cane, was here on business Wednesday.

Dr. L. C. Pulliam of Crowley, was in town this week.

Judge Edward Simon of St. Martinville was here this week.

T. J. Thompson, Esq., left for New Orleans Sunday, returning Wednesday evening.

Mr. Lessie Harris left Wednesday for Long Beach, Miss., where he intends to practice telegraphy.

Judge E. North Callom visited Church Point on legal business, last Wednesday.

Mr. Ed. Clements of Oberlin, was in town this week, and honored the COURIER with a call.

Kenneth Bailio, Esq., was called to New Orleans on professional duties last Tuesday.

We were favored with a call this week from Messrs. E. Denekamp and D. J. Searcy of New Orleans.

Misses Lydia Durio, Fannie Thompson, Del and Jennie Thompson, and Miss Louise Pavy, have returned to resume their studies at the Convent at Grand Coteau.

Our fellow townsmen Mr. Jos. Eddy visited New Orleans this week. Mr. Eddy, who is an invalid, went to New Orleans to consult a physician, and we trust he will obtain the relief he seeks.

Cards are out announcing the marriage, to take place at Abbeville, La., on the 24th inst., of Mr. W. Oscar Pipes and Miss Carrie, daughter of Dr. W. D. White.

Messrs. Thos. H. Lewis, Laurent Durpé, C. W. DuRoy, Gilbert Dupré, E. P. Veazie and District Attorney E. B. Dubuisson, visited Crowley this week for the purpose of attending District Court.

Judge Perrault went to Crowley on Sunday to open a term of the criminal court, for Acadia parish, but immediately upon his arrival there he became so ill that he was unable to attend the session and therefore adjourned the court.

Our sister town of Washington, was well represented here this week by some of its leading citizens including Mayor Leon Wolf, Capt. T. C. Gibbens, Col. R. Zernott (Bismark), Capt. L. D. Prescott, G. R. Ballio, Esq., G. W. Curtis and J. P. Russell, Esq.

We had a very pleasant call on Friday last week, from Mr. T. C. Lewis, the gentlemanly editor of the Acadia Advocate, who speaks very hopefully of the prospects of his new venture, backed by the substantial evidences of encouragement from the people of Church Point.

Alexandria Town Talk, 13th: Miss Laura Cullom returned home from Opelousas one day this week. Mr. Max Finberg, of Opelousas, has been visiting Mr. Moses Rosenthal and family this week. Mrs. M. Ryan returned home this week from Opelousas where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thompson.

Crowley Signal, 13th: E. P. Veazie, of Opelousas, was in town this week on legal business. H. L. Garland of Opelousas, was in town Thursday looking after the sale of property in the succession of Cleophas Coseau. Miss Lucy Moore, who has been spending some time visiting friends in Crowley, left for her home in Opelousas last Friday.

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Proceedings of Committee of Arrangements.

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The Committee having in charge the arrangements for the 24th, 25th and 26th inst. of the members of the State Agricultural Society, held a meeting this day at the court house, presided over by Chairman H. L. Garland, T. H. Lewis, Geo. Pulford, Mr. E. Bloch, Dr. V. K. Irion, G. O. Elma, per C. M. Thompson, J. E. Stewart, J. T. Stewart, Jos. Bloch, there were also present other citizens of the town who took an active part in the proceedings.

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The big exposition to be held at Atlanta, Ga., next year will be known as the Cotton States and International Exposition. At a meeting held in Atlanta a few days ago \$200,000 was pledged as a preliminary fund.

A good ten horse power engine with pump, etc., suitable for rice planting may be bought cheap by application to this office.

COAL.—Pittsburg coal delivered anywhere within the corporation limits in any quantities by J. B. Sandoz.

Drugs, medicines, chemicals, patent medicines, fine cigars, tooth brushes, combs, etc., at Bailey's drugstore.

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

Best on draught, fresh from the refrigerator at five cents a glass at Finberg's saloon.

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