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Ernest et Alexis Blanc, les assassins de Martin Bagnaud, seront pendus à Lafayette, le 2 Avril.

On annonce de la Gaudalajary, Mexique, la mort de Jesus Campêche, âgé de 154 ans. Il était né en Espagne en 1742 et habitait le Mexique depuis l'âge de vingt ans.

Le Congressman Robertson de la Louisiane, ne voit pas avec faveur la mesure Dingley. La croit trop favorable aux trusts et craint qu'elle ne soit pas aussi favorable à l'industrie américaine qu'on le suppose, et que comme mesure destinée à prélever des revenus, elle ne soit un désappointement à cause de ses impôts prohibitifs.

Nous avons reçu du Picayune un exemplaire de son "Guide du Touriste à la Nouvelle-Orléans." C'est un livre de 114 pages contenant trois cartes de la ville à différentes époques, des renseignements intéressants, de nombreux gravures, etc. On peut se procurer ce livre pour la modeste somme de 14 cents en s'adressant au Picayune.

Le Maître de Poste Général, Mr. Gary, a annoncé que l'administration sera transférée au nouvel établissement un terme de quatre ans de service pour les directeurs de bureau de poste. Les titulaires actuels accompliront leur quatrième année de service, au cas de la sincérité de Mr. Gary, à moins d'incompréhension ou de négligence.

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Un comité nommé par la Grande Armée de la République pour examiner les histoires dont il est fait usage dans les écoles publiques fait un rapport qui déclare qu'aucune de ces histoires ne rend justice à la valeur des héros qui ont combattu pour le maintien de l'Union et que toutes tendent à faire ressortir les qualités militaires des confédérés, rabaisant ainsi le mérite de ceux qui ont fait acte de patriotisme. Il faudrait donc faire des histoires qui ne soient que de vrais contes pour faire plaisir aux membres de la Grande Armée.—Le Meschacébe.

ENREGISTREMENT.—L'assesseur de paroisse, le juge E. T. Lewis, ouvrira le bureau d'enregistrement pour les votants du 8 au 14 avril à la maison de cour.

Sous la nouvelle loi il est nécessaire que tout votant soit ré-enregistré pour conserver son droit de vote. Il est donc important que chacun prenne avantage de l'ouverture du bureau d'enregistrement pour se mettre en forme, afin de ne pas perdre son droit de bon citoyen.

L'enregistreur se portera en différentes parties de la paroisse à différentes dates.

Nous engageons tous les votants de prendre avantage de l'occasion pour se faire enregistrer.

On propose de diviser l'année en treize mois à partir du 1er janvier 1901. On prétend que la chose n'est pas aussi bizarre qu'elle le paraît à première vue. Si cette proposition est acceptée, les premiers douze mois auront juste vingt-huit jours, ou quatre semaines chaque, et le nouveau mois vingt-neuf jours, pour faire 365, et trente jours les années bissextiles. Après quelques jours il ne serait plus nécessaire de consulter un calendrier, attendu que le même jour de la semaine porterait la même date l'année durant. Par exemple, si le 1er janvier était le 15, chaque lundi serait le 15, le 16 et le 22; chaque mardi le 16, le 23 et le 29 du mois, et ainsi de suite durant l'année. Les quartiers de la lune tomberaient aussi à la même date pendant l'année.

Le congrès, convoqué par McKinley en session extraordinaire, s'est réuni lundi. Les républicains, qui y ont une forte majorité, ont résolu de conserver Thomas B. Reed comme speaker, ainsi que tous les autres officiers de la dernière chambre. Dingley, le chairman du comité des voies et moyens, a soumis à la chambre le bill du tarif préparé par les républicains et dont le trait principal est d'étendre la protection à certaines industries, notamment à celles de la laine, du sucre et du riz. Calqué sur la loi McKinley de 1890, ce bill diffère de celle loi en ce qu'il rapporte un sucre d'une façon radicale. Le sucre, lors admiss sans droit, se trouve frappé par la loi Dingley d'une taxe de 1-5 cent par livre, et l'assesseur du Trésor est autorisé à imposer un droit compensateur additionnel sur les sucres importés de pays qui paient une prime d'exportation. Le droit sur le riz est porté à 2 cents par livre. La loi est donc très favorable à nos lux industries et l'impôt sur le sucre est porté à 1 cent par livre, et l'assesseur du Trésor est autorisé à imposer un droit compensateur additionnel sur les sucres importés de pays qui paient une prime d'exportation. Le droit sur le riz est porté à 2 cents par livre. La loi est donc très favorable à nos lux industries et l'impôt sur le sucre est porté à 1 cent par livre, et l'assesseur du Trésor est autorisé à imposer un droit compensateur additionnel sur les sucres importés de pays qui paient une prime d'exportation.

Une pauvre fille de basse cour, du château de N., se marie. La dame du château voulait voir le futur qui lui fut présenté par sa fiancée: —Ah! ma pauvre fille, lui dit la dame, quel vilain mari que tu es choisie. —Hélas! répondit la petite villageoise. Madame sait bien que pour trente francs on ne peut pas avoir grand-chose de beau.

AROUND THE EMPIRE PARISH.

Port Barré.

A storm of wind, rain and hail struck this section last Friday morning, March 19, which played havoc with trees and fences.

The water in Bayou Courtaubeau is very high and still rising, and grave fears of an overflow are entertained.

The weather is yet unsettled.

Rev. Father Mailluchet visited Whiteville last week.

Dr. Howard Butler was a pleasant visitor in Port Barré Wednesday and Thursday, March 10 and 11.

Miss Lou Mudd spent Saturday and Sunday in Opelousas.

Mr. Ben Melancon was in Opelousas yesterday.

Dr. J. P. Saizan made a business trip to Port Barré last Tuesday.

Miss Philo Robin is visiting in Arnaudville.

Mr. C. Hebert was in Port Barré last Thursday on business.

Dr. J. L. Corbett and wife are visiting relatives in Mamou.

Messrs. Sidney Reynolds and Douglas of Washington, were visiting in Port Barré yesterday.

Messrs. J. R. Melancon, Willie and George Reynolds attended the Easter sale in Opelousas last Saturday.

Messrs. Adolph Lamondier, Henderson Taylor, Theo. Hawkins and Dr. Walker, of Waxia, have gone on Hogg Bayou for a few days' hunting.

Chicot, I was pleased to hear that the old back had decided to enter that enviable state of wedlock, and I hope we will be able to congratulate him in the near future.

Since beginning to write, a heavy rain fell accompanied by wind and hail, but fortunately no damage was done.

Bayou Chicot.

Capt. Sam Hans went to Opelousas on Saturday.

Robert Milshead and C. M. Thompson, Jr., were here on Friday.

Miss Mamie Anderson went to Opelousas last Friday evening, returning Monday morning.

Farmers are behind with their planting; rain for the past two weeks being the cause.

Henry Glaze and wife, of Bankie, came out on Friday and remained over until Sunday, visiting relatives on Beaver Creek.

Mr. Thomas Walker was married to Miss Dinah Oliver, at Turkey Creek, on Thursday night, March 18th, Judge E. P. Carson officiating.

Mrs. Sam Haas, L. J. Derbes and wife, Miss Rosa Tatman, the Misses Richards and Sudduths, of Black Lake, attended the social at Hyacinthton on Friday night. Miss Grace D. Griffith was the belle of the evening.

Our well-known bachelor holding a tight rein over his shining black, passed through town Friday evening en route to a social entertainment at Hyacinthton.

Miss Maggie Tatman, teacher at Pine Prairie, was visiting here on Saturday.

The C. M. Thompson base ball club was organized Saturday evening with E. Wolf as captain, H. L. Erlich as manager, and L. J. Derbes as secretary and treasurer. They will play their initial game in the near future with the Washington club, at Ville Plate if arrangements can be made to play there.

Rev. Mallett, Baptist minister at Glenmora, preached here Saturday night and Sunday morning.

A social croquet party was given at the residence of Mrs. M. P. Griffith by her daughter Miss Kate, on last Saturday evening. Refreshments, which consisted of cake, preserves, coffee, etc., were in abundance, and the young folks say they all had a royal time.

J. H. Cole and wife, of Beaver, came out on Sunday, to attend preaching.

The weather has again cleared off and at this writing we have a beautiful clear sky, with a cool, north wind.

Call, look out for the high water, don't let it catch you.

More anon. CHICOT.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

EDITED BY PROF. A. J. DUPY.

Mr. J. W. Jackson was on the sick list this week.

We are informed that all patrons of the high school have not yet paid their incidental fees.

One of the surest tests of a good school is that all people around it are interested. Apply that test to your school. Is it a good school?

Principal T. H. Harris will leave this afternoon for Alexandria to meet his wife and child. He will return with his big family tomorrow.

Immigrants, if they be of the desirable kind, always look for the school-house first, and the jail last. Which would they find first were they to come to Opelousas?

Parish Supt. Frazer is making an effort to have a summer normal at Opelousas this year. The whole school board is in favor of it, and our teachers have expressed a desire for it. So the matter now rests with the state board, and Mr. Frazer is negotiating with that body for the school. Let us have it.

We are sorry that a column or more was not devoted to the St. Landry High School in the St. Landry Trade Review.

In it there was a picture of the building, and biographical sketches of two of the other six members of the faculty, nor was a history of the school even given.

At 12 o'clock M. next Saturday the teachers of this parish will hold their regular monthly institute. The only excuse for teachers not attending is sickness. Prof. A. W. Bittle is billed as the star of the meeting and we are sure he will shine. A new feature in the way of instrumental solos will be added to the program.

The Senior Class.

The senior class of the St. Landry High School is larger this year than before. There are ten bright young people in it—nine ladies and one gentleman. The members of the class are Misses: Edith, Ida, Andrew, Martha, Andrus, Asa, Palford, Mary, Morhiney, Rose, Del Buono, Julia Anderson, Gertrude Sandoz, Elise Wartelle and, last but not least, Mr. Peyton Sandoz.

The young man in the class set to be complimented on taking a stand in his town that no young man has before taken, viz: finishing the high school course. The class as a whole works industriously, and can cope with the average high school senior class of the state. Judging from their past work, all are expected to graduate in May.

Teachers.

When a school teacher meets one not in his profession the first question he expects is: "Do you like that sort of work?" Did you ever ask that question yourself and find that almost every one answers, "Yes?" Now, we don't believe that all people are fond of it. Some are indifferent toward it, and some because they like it. Now, if you want to find out if a person likes teaching go and see him while at it. If that person is in constant worry and feels "worn out" after work, you may be sure he or she doesn't like teaching, or perhaps doesn't know how to teach. If that person takes as much interest in school as he does at home, and occasionally wears a pleasant smile (we mean a pure, unaffected smile) you may be sure teaching is a pleasure to him. Which of these classes do you think should be employed by the board?

The Reading Club.

We are heartily in favor of the movement begun by the intelligent and deep thinking members of this community to establish a reading club. We have not heard of any definite plans nor do we know that the establishment of such a club is a positive thing; but the idea is a capital one and should be encouraged. Just think of how many young men are loitering around the streets of Opelousas simply because they have nothing else to do, and how many dull hours are spent by the clerks on Sundays and after business hours at home. Many of us have no other than a taste for reading at home, and consequently cannot be expected to seek that of which we know nothing. We claim that a reading or a literary club will incite a desire for that which is wholesome to the mind, and having once tasted of the fruits of the intellect we make every effort to have more. A series of questions is the proper influence at the head of the club. In order for it to be a success the influence must not be over religious, and must be purely non-sectarian. There is another extreme to be guarded against: It must not be a place for frivolity. The town of Natchitoches, with about 3,500 population, has a social club of 100 members which have proven a success in every way. Lafayette, New Iberia, and other towns in the state have reading rooms, why not have one here? We all agree it is a good thing, and should support it.

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A bill is being considered by the Texas legislature aiming to reduce the fare on all railroads in that State from 3 to 2 cents a mile. (The Texas law makers are as thoroughly under control of the railroads as many of those of the Louisiana general assembly, it is safe to say that the bill will not stand the ghost of a show.)

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