

**Opelousas Courier.**  
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**LEONCE SANDOZ.**  
FO DOLLARS A YEAR IN ADVANCE.  
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OPELOUSAS:  
SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1901  
"Suckers" take heed—Monday  
is "April Fool" day.  
Base ball outfits in great variety  
at the Opera House Drug Store.  
Another oil gusher, said to equal  
the first, was struck near Beaumont  
this week.  
Good milk cows with young  
calves for sale cheap for cash.  
Apply to H. L. Garland.  
Call up Phone No. 70 when you  
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Prescriptions a specialty.  
Tell your neighbor that you've  
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J. K. Sandoz & Bro., sole agents,  
and that in future you want no  
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When you are bilious, use those  
famous little pills known as De-  
Witt's Little Early Risers to  
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They never gripe. Opera House  
Drug Store.  
We have the largest line of  
Shoes we have ever had and  
would like for every man, woman  
and child in the parish who  
wants shoes to call and examine  
our stock. FRED L. SANDOZ.  
Rev. J. W. Harmon, who was  
Pastor of the Opelousas M. E.  
Church in the year 1848, and who  
is now in the eighty-second year  
of his age, will preach at the M. E.  
Church on Sunday, March 31,  
at 7:30 p. m.  
The Hamilton Brown Shoe Co.,  
of St. Louis, the largest shoe  
house in the world, will present  
you baby, born in 1901, with its  
first pair of shoes, made of Vic-  
Kid, free of charge. See Fred L.  
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Buy "Old Homestead" Patent  
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The lingering cough following  
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Cure. For all throat and lung  
troubles this is the only remedy  
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Prevents consumption. Opera  
House Drug Store.  
An affidavit was made by Sher-  
iff Swords Thursday forenoon  
charging Ludovic Fontenot with  
larceny, in connection with the  
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F. H. Eddy's saloon some weeks  
ago. Fontenot was immediately  
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Miss Delphine Lafond, will  
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the inspection of the public.  
In a communication "To Our  
People" in this issue, the writer  
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concerts by our two bands,  
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Both performances of Prof.  
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Veranda Eller, the nineteen-year  
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was about five miles from town,  
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sicians Wednesday. The opera-  
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**Board of Trade Meeting.**  
An enthusiastic meeting of the  
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was a good attendance and all  
present took great interest in the  
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A charter and by-laws were  
adopted and the charter will be  
passed around for the signatures  
of those who wish to become  
stockholders in the organization.  
The initiation fee was fixed at \$5  
and the monthly dues at 50 cents,  
and visiting members dues were  
fixed at \$1.  
The annual meeting of the  
stockholders will be held on the  
2d day of January of each year,  
and the Board of Directors will  
hold regular meetings on the 2d  
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The promoters of the organiza-  
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So far, in this section the sea-  
son has been very favorable to  
work in the fields and from all  
accounts the farmers are taking  
advantage of this and forging  
ahead with their crops. It is to  
be hoped that the farmers of our  
section will not confine all of  
their energy to the cultivation of  
cotton this year, but will diversify  
their crops. Then should the  
price of cotton go down to 5 cents,  
it would not be felt so keenly.  
We understand that in the case of  
those who work on shares this  
cannot be done, under present  
arrangements, but the farmers  
who own their own farms are at  
liberty to plant what they want,  
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**Don't Go Broke on Cotton.**  
So far, in this section the sea-  
son has been very favorable to  
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accounts the farmers are taking  
advantage of this and forging  
ahead with their crops. It is to  
be hoped that the farmers of our  
section will not confine all of  
their energy to the cultivation of  
cotton this year, but will diversify  
their crops. Then should the  
price of cotton go down to 5 cents,  
it would not be felt so keenly.  
We understand that in the case of  
those who work on shares this  
cannot be done, under present  
arrangements, but the farmers  
who own their own farms are at  
liberty to plant what they want,  
and they should not permit the  
good prices received for the staple  
during the last two years to induce  
them to put themselves entirely  
at the mercy of anything so un-  
certain as is the cotton market.

**Wagon Factory.**  
A stock company for a wagon  
factory was organized at Church  
Point on the 20th inst., with the  
following officers: H. Barousse,  
president; T. Guidry, vice-presi-  
dent; Laurent Barousse, secre-  
tary; H. J. David, treasurer. The  
Board of Directors consists of H.  
Barousse, T. Guidry, L. Barousse,  
H. J. David, Edward Deville, J.  
D. Murrell and Geo. Jaqueneaux.  
A resolution was adopted re-  
questing that a part of the pro-  
ceedings of the meeting be sent  
to the Opelousas COURIER for  
publication, but as this paper has  
but one publication day (Sat-  
urday) and always goes to press  
later than Friday, the resolution  
reached us too late to appear in  
our last issue.

**Barn Burned.**  
Shortly after nine o'clock last  
Saturday night the barn and stable  
of Mr. H. C. Comeau, adjoining  
his residence on Union street, was  
entirely destroyed by fire. The  
fire had made considerable head-  
way before it was discovered, and  
although the Hook & Ladder Co.  
and a number of citizens quickly  
responded to the alarm, the  
building was too far gone to be  
saved. Two fine blooded horses  
were burned to death and a valu-  
able colt was so badly burned that  
it had to be shot. Besides these  
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**Are You One of Them.**  
Are you one of the subscribers  
to the Opelousas Courier who  
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If so, has it ever occurred to you  
that we have to pay for paper,  
ink, printers hire, etc.? During  
the past few years of hard times  
we have been as lenient with our  
subscribers as possible and have  
only called upon them for a  
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in a better condition to settle  
these small amounts than for  
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Send the amounts due at our  
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With every order for dodgers,  
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over a hundred cuts of all sizes to  
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anything in the printing line, no  
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the order, give us a call.

**Confederate Veterans.**  
On the 16th inst. R. E. Lee  
Camp No. 14, U. C. V., selected  
the following delegates and alter-  
nates to represent the Camp at  
the eleventh annual reunion of  
the organization, to be held at  
Memphis, Tenn., May 28th, 29th  
and 30th, 1901:  
Delegates—Samuel Haas, Le-  
once Sandoz, Dr. Theogene Chach-  
ere, E. T. Lewis, Jas. Bridenthal,  
Frank Wharton and Ozeme  
Fontenot.  
Alternates—A. D. Harmanson,  
Jas. Russell, Austin Allen, B.  
Bloomfield, J. P. Smith, Dr. A. J.  
Derbanne and Bernard Henry.  
A resolution was adopted au-  
thorizing the Commander and Ad-  
jutant to substitute the names of  
any member in good standing who  
will attend in place of any of the  
above delegates who may not be  
able to attend the reunion at  
Memphis, and to furnish creden-  
tials accordingly.  
The same delegates and alter-  
nates were authorized to represent  
the Camp at the State Divi-  
sion U. C. V., the date and place  
of meeting of which have not  
yet been decided upon.

**Oil in Opelousas.**  
Some weeks ago, shortly after  
the discovery of the Beaumont  
gusher, it was brought to public  
notice that a well on the Victor  
Lastrapes property on Main street  
had been known to contain oil  
ever since it was dug, a number  
of years ago, and in such quantity  
that the water could not be used  
for household purposes. An an-  
alysis of the water was made at  
the time and it was found to con-  
tain a considerable amount of  
pure oil. Shortly after the well,  
which is thirty-four feet deep,  
was bailed out and it was found  
that the water veins which en-  
tered the sides of the well were  
free from oil, but that there was  
oil in the water which seeped  
through at the bottom. Another  
fact in connection with the matter  
is that other wells in the imme-  
diate vicinity contain no oil. Oil  
is plainly visible on water taken  
from the well and a strong odor  
of oil may be detected when near  
the well. It is the intention of  
the present proprietors to have  
the matter thoroughly investigated  
at an early date.

**Enchre Party.**  
On Wednesday afternoon, the  
20th inst., the home of Mrs. Jos.  
Firnberg was the scene of a most  
enjoyable enchre party, given in  
honor of her guest, Mrs. T. H.  
Lewis, Jr., of Crowley, and of the  
"Over the Tea Cups" Club. The  
prizes were all very handsome and  
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