LOUISIANA.

Covington proposes to organize a fire com Oak Ridge, Morehouse parish, wants a city

Colored labor continues to come into East Carroll.

The river here is falling at the rate of one foot each day.—[Vidalla Eagle. The laboring class, we learn, is contracting freely for the coming year, but little if any trouble being experienced by our planters in securing hands sufficient....[Tensas Journal.

Mardi Gras was celebrated in Lake Charles with many maskers on the streets. There were a large number of visitors in town, several of them coming from Vernon parish. We believe it is very generally the sentiment of the people of this section that the office of assessor should not be abolished or blended with the sheriff's office.—[Vidalia Eagle.]

We are condemned to receive more doses of the Brott mail failures. God help us! Pray tell us, mail authorities, what have we done to be treated with so much contempt?—[Baton Rouge Heraid.

The Webster Tribune has changed hands Mr. John M. Scanland, its former editor and proprietor, retiring, and Mr. S. M. McCranic assuming editorial charge and management

We were informed that the two bridges on Grosse Tete have been washed away. Bridges on this bayou have been expensive to this parish, and in future they should be built so as to resist all high water.—[Pointe Coupee Pallean.

The steamboat Cara arrived last night with one barge load of seed. While on her way down, and hear Coll ge point, one of the bar-ges she had in tow, having on board about 8000 sacks, struck a sing and sunk....[Gretna Courter.

Courier.

A greater number of our farmers were in town on last Monday than we have seen on one day for a long time. They report matters quiet in their neighborhoods, and every prespect for good crops. Lator is plentful, and well satisfied with their last year's returns for their work.—[Union Gazette.

The Carroll Conservative ettes as an illustration of what may be accomplished by industrious negroes, the case of a man named Richardson. The latter cultivated, with the assistance of two men, trirty-six acres in cotton and fourteen in corn, on the Edgelied plantation, in that parish. His net profit was \$1003.

The contest for the parochial printing of

The contest for the parochial printing of Sabine was a lively one. The Southron offered to do the work at a discount of 50 per cent from legal rates; the Index proposed not only to perform the work grats, but tendered a bonus of thirty cents for the privilega. It is needless to add that the Index carried off the "priza".

A meeting of the citizens of West Baton Bouge and Pointe Coupes was held near the store of J. B. Nardin, on Bayou Poydras, last week. B. R. Chinn was unanimously elected chairman, E. G. Benker, sheriff of Pointe Coupes, vice president, and Charles Spans secretary. A committee was appointed which drafted resolutions wherein those taking part in the meeting pledged themselves to lond their aid and assistance to the officers in enforcing the laws and maintaining social order and quiet.

This evening Mr. Feltz Begamey, the talentand quiet.

Ionville 73.

Here at New Road we also had our Mardi Gras procession, and although it was not perhaps as grand an affair as the New Orieans procession, yet it was beautiful to behold. The costumes of our masqueraders were gorgeous, representing historical personages, the memory of whom elevated the soul of man; and indeed who would not feel purer and be emulated towards deeds of valor on beholding such true representations of Don Quixote, Punch and Judy, the harlequins, as sould be seen on the main thoroughfare of our little city of New Road on Mardi Gras day. Next year we will invite the outside world in time to come and behold the pageant.—[Pointe Coupee Pellean.

Merchandising in the parish of Pointe Cou-

world in time to come and behold the pageant.—[Pointe Coupee Pelican.

Merchandising in the parish of Pointe Coupee must be profitable and the merchants in this parish must be good business men. From New Texas to fed liver Landing and thence to the Atchafalaya and down that stream, most of the merchants have large stocks of goods; nearly all of them are owners of cotton plantations, and have money to advance to their customers. We know of two merchants who have acquired large-sugar estates, and on Grosse Tete, Fordoche and the Chenatchers have bought and paid for cotton plantations, which are either being rented or worked successfully. Other merchants are investing their profits in town lots, and again others are doing a banking business. We doubt if any parish can point to as many successful merchants, and, at the same time, as a class they are distinguished for their integrity, their liberality and their public spirit.—

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The little town of Covington seems to have had the most successful carnival of any in the country. Rex reached Covington Monday at 3 o'clock, and promenaded the principal streets of the town, winding up with a royal banquet at the St. Tammany Hotel. On Tuesday came the procession—Rex and his suit—consisting of the Earl of Warwick, a band of native warriors, the press, Bluebeard, Fatima, the Kings of Clubs and Spades, the Mald of Tenefuneta, the Hero of Bunker Hill, Humby Dumpty, a Chinese juggler, Rip Van Winkle, the Devil and several monks, monkeys and negroes, led. There were, besides these, three floats in the procession representing the Wild Men of the Forest, King Cotton and plantation life. A number of dwellings were adorned with the King's banner, and were otherwise decorated. At night a grand masquerade and fancy dress ball was given at the court-house.

Last Wednesday evening, at Garraway's

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Last Wednesday evening, at Garraway's saloon, LakeCharles, Joseph Mathis was shot in the foot. An affidavit was made, charging a stranger from Texas, named Shafer, with the shooting, and under a warrant Sheriff David H. Lyons arrested Shafer and put him in jail. Matt Woodlief, a gambler, who has been here some two or three months, said he was a friend of Shafer, and made some threatening remarks about the sheriff in connection with the arrest. That night, between 12 and 1 o'clock, Burns Lyons and Capt. John S. Hawkins went to the sheriff's house to inform him of some suspicious sounds about the jail, apparently pointing to a jail delivery. The sheriff being awakened by his wife, mistock the party for assallants and fired, seriously wounding Capt. Hawkins. The next morning Matt Woodlief attacked the sheriff with a revolver, whereupon he was fired on and instantly killed. A coroner's jury decided that Lyons was acting in self-defense.

AMUSEMENTS. Grand Opera House.

Last season, when the Emma Abbott Com-pany first appeared here, we recognized the talent of Mrs. Seguin to the extent of devoting special notice to her, in which we endeavored to do justice to her good qualities as a singer and an actress, while we had very little to say In praise of the remainder of the troupe, ex-cepting, however, of Mr. Peaks, the then first bases of the company, who was also an artist. Since the production of "Trovatore" on Monday, in which Mrs. Seguin distinguished her seif as Aruceua, we have wondered at the possibility of her connection with the Abbott Company at all, and the only way that we can ex-plain the anomaly is by the fact that outside of the imported operatic combinations, there is no place for an artist like her in the United

We are now going to say a few words of Mar tha as produced last evening at the Grand Opera House by the Abbott Company, but be-fore doing so we will crave Miss abbott's par-don for having made a transposition ourselves yesterday concerning her. A slip of the pen made us say that in her Miserere scene she had oung in a full tone below the key, whereas the transposition occurred in the final trio of the

sung in a full tone below the key, whereas the transposition occurred in the final trio of the first act.

Martha is a favorite of the general American public, and instity so, for its music is fresh, simple and easily understood, yet full of artistic delicacy in its shedlings and not unfrequently evidencing flashes of renius on the part of its composer. With some voice and the least tasts for any knowledge of music, its presentation should ordinarily be acceptable, and we are far from denying that the performance last evening was acceptable to the audience, but it was marked by those giaring faulte and cortaliments of the Abbott Company, last year and this, that have kept away from the theatre that class of people who have struggle, d, is no little sacrifice, to maintain it as a temple of art. Faults which, if the numbor of our visitors from other Stales was not so great, would show mightly a sad defict in the exchequer of the management.

We do not mean, in saying this, that the strangers now in our city are less intelligent or cultivated than ourselves, for that would be absurd, and more, in very bad tasts; but if they form almost exclusively the audience of the Grand Opera it is because they are in a strange l-nd and must accept the opportunities offered them for recreation and amus ement. The theatre is an open parier, and since there are only two of them open in the city, one of which plays. "Conrad the Corsair" every night, it is plain that our visitors have little choice in selecting their entertainments.

Our people, as we have siready said, are indegent to a fault, but they are unwilling to encourage mediocity, lest when it will depend upon them aione to fill the seas of the thrand Opera House it will be empty, and the proprietors will have to close its doors and deprive us of about the only artistic place of resort in New Orleans. Their's is good logic.

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The Lake Charles Echo gives the following table of distances on the Louisianz Western Railroad: Orange, Texas, to Sabine river 7 miles, Blackberry station 13, Choupfeld and Sabi, Lake Charles to Bayou Oster 24, Goodman's 3, English bayou 74, Saloes law to the bayou The sabi, Lake Charles to Bayou Oster 24, Goodman's 3, English bayou 74, Simien Libion's 9. Pine Island 15, West Lacasine 194, Henry Weish's 244, Peach Tree Hollow 254, Grand Marats 33, Le Bruans 35, Mermentau river 394, Bayou Blanc 50, Poupeville 58, Vermillouville 73.

Here at Naw Kond we also be a first to the control of t

The V. J. Lambert, Jr., Buse Ball Club held a meeting Menday evening and reorganized for the season of 1880, with the following officer and members: V. J. Lambert, benoring president and treasurer; John McGest, president Paul Fess, viet president and r. f.; Peter Cloke secretary and p.; Alvin Adams, steward and c. f.; Henry Miller, c.; John Traub, it b.; John Alforttish, 2tb.; Hugh Brady, 3db.; John Moylan, s. s.; Joseph Lambert, l. f.

At a meeting held last Saturday night the Knights of Pleasure Social Clob was organized with the following officers: Wm. Straimeyer, president; J. H. Dakin, vice president; W. Stouder, secretary; A. Cook, treasurer; J. L. Connell, sergeant-at arms.

Wants a Crown for Grant,

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(Washington Sentinel.)

At Don Cameron's convention a delegate from Allegheny county made a set speech of some length, which he closed with the declaration: "That R-publicans everywhere would rejoice if they could place a crown upon Grant's head." As there were some anti-Grant Republicans at the convention, that open-mouthed Mr. Moreland, who let the cat too soon out of the bag, was greeted in consequence with groans and hisses, and cries of shame.

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