

WIT AND HUMOR.

A priest said to a peasant, whom he thought rude, "You are better fed than I am."

"Johnny, my dear boy, what are you crying for? Billy here the Bible at me, and hit me on the head."

"There's two ways of doing it," said Pat to himself as he stood musing and waiting for a job on the corner.

"Pray my lord," said a gentleman to a rather whimsical judge, "what is the distinction between law and equity courts?"

An Arkansas paper says that many of the girls in that State grow six feet high. They must be uncommonly well cultivated.

Johnny, said a doting mother to her somewhat insatiable son, "can you eat that pudding with impunity?"

A shoemaker, who had an intolerable habit of talking to himself when alone, was asked a neighbor what motive he could have in talking to himself?

We have generally observed that a man bitten by a dog, no matter whether the animal is mad or not, is apt to get mad himself.

He who lives only to benefit himself, gives the world the benefit when he dies.

Sydney Smith, one day describing to a friend the people whom we met at dinner-party, said, "There was Hallam, too, with his mouth full of cabbage and contradiction."

Why is a stove an agreeable affair in summer as well as winter? Because at either season it is always grateful when cooled.

Shrewd inquiries are making hereabouts whether the cup of sorrow has a saucer? Can anybody tell?

"Laws?" exclaimed Mrs. Partridge, "what monsters these master builders must be! I am told some of 'em have as many as a hundred hands."

When an urchin is observed about a molasses barrel, with one end of a straw inserted in the bung-hole, and the other in his mouth, it is generally conceded that he is enjoying the sweets of life.

A gentleman having a musical sister being asked what branch she excelled in, declared that the piano was her forte.

A lawyer on his passage from Europe, observing a shark, asked a sailor what it was, who replied, "Here we call 'em sea lawyers."

What is the fine when people become intoxicated with happiness?

The surest way to lose your health is to be very frequently drinking that of other folk.

The following "thrilling poem," we clip from an exchange. We do not remember of ever reading such a heart-touching poetic strain.

The last hog of Autumn. 'Tis the last hog of Autumn, Left squealing alone;

I'll not leave thee, thou lone one, To starve in the pen, Since thy mates are all pork now.

And may I be present When thou art the treat, For ham, souer or sausages,

The following is a very strange epistle to be presented to the present degenerate age; which, if answered correctly, would be found to contain more truth than poetry:

Is there a heart that never sighed? Is there a tongue that never lied? Is there an eye that never blinked?

GETTING MARRIED.—An anecdote is related by Mr. Hale, of New Hampshire, to this effect:

How touching beautiful are the relations of home! There each is bound by an electric chain that seems to pass to all hearts in the family group.

A man on passing through a gateway in the dark, hit his nose against the post.

A young man in "these parts" who had spent a good deal of his own time and a good deal of his father's money in fitting for the bar, was asked after examination how he got along.

It has been discovered that bread can be manufactured out of wood. Long before this discovery was made, all wood was known to have grain in it.

STRAY SALE.

Strayed before me the undersigned authority, by E. S. Clark, on the 16th day of October, 1859, and will be sold before the court house door, in the town of Bellevue, on the 3d Saturday in January, 1860, for cash, the following described STEER, to-wit: a white steer with black head and spot on the right shoulder, about 12 years old, with the points of his horns sawed and marked with a smooth crop and saw-set in the left ear.

Strayed before V. Walker, J. P., by Wm. P. Mason, on the 14th day of September last, and will be sold before the court house door, in the town of Bellevue, on the 4th Saturday in April, 1860, for cash, the following described animal, to-wit: a blood bay MARE, about 18 years old, 14 hands high, blind in the right eye, a star in the forehead, and branded on the left shoulder with the letter S, and appraised at forty dollars.

Strayed before V. Walker, J. P., by Bethell Smith on the 24th day of June 1849, and will be sold on the 31st day of December 1859, before the court house door in the town of Bellevue, for cash, the following described animal, to-wit: A dark bay MARE MULE, about three years old, about 14 hands high—branded on the left shoulder with the letter R and with the letter D on right shoulder; has the mark of gear on the shoulder and back. Valued at one hundred and forty dollars.

Strayed before the undersigned authority, on the 16th day of August 1859, by Col. Elijah Hudson, and will be sold before the Court house door, in the town of Bellevue on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1860, for cash, a Mustang MARE MULE, of red sorrel color, with white mane and tail; allowed five years old; branded with a Spanish brand, and appraised at twenty-five dollars.

Strayed before the undersigned authority, on the 16th day of August 1859, by James Millons, on the 10th day of September 1859, and will be sold before the court house door, in the town of Bellevue on the 2d Saturday in March, 1860, for cash, the following described animal, to-wit: A small white MARE, about 14 hands high, six years old, branded with "S H" on the right hip. Said animal was taken up at the premises of the said Millons about the 10th day of August last, and appraised at one hundred dollars.

Strayed before B. F. Cronover, J. P., by James Millons, on the 10th day of September 1859, and will be sold before the court house door, in the town of Bellevue on the 2d Saturday in March, 1860, for cash, the following described animal, to-wit: A small white MARE, about 14 hands high, six years old, branded with "S H" on the right hip. Said animal was taken up at the premises of the said Millons about the 10th day of August last, and appraised at one hundred dollars.

SHERIFF'S SALE. State of Louisiana, parish of Bossier, In the district court, A. H. Hearne vs. James R. Cason, No. 1334. John Bopp vs. James R. Cason, No. 1394. By virtue of writs of fieri facias issued out of the honorable the district court of the parish of Bossier, in the above entitled suits and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell, at public auction, at the court house door in the town of Bellevue, parish of Bossier, on the first SATURDAY, the 3d day of December, A. D. 1859, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M., and 4 P. M., the following described property, to-wit:

The undivided one-eighth part of the succession of Edward J. Cason, late of this parish, dec'd, being the entire interest of the defendant, James R. Cason therein, the said defendant being an heir of the said Edward J. Cason deceased.

MOURNING, a woman, aged about thirty-five years. JUBE, a man, aged about eighteen years. KATE, a girl, aged about eighteen years. MILE, a woman, aged about nineteen years, and her child, aged 18 months.

The interest in the slaves herein mentioned will be sold together with the interest in the succession, they having been in ven oriet as part thereof. The interest in the said property will be sold without said property being present, it being now in the legal possession of the administrator of said succession.

Seized as the property of James R. Cason, and to be sold to pay and satisfy the writs issued in the above entitled suits.

Terms of Sale—Cash with the benefit of appraisement. Sheriff's office at Bellevue, October 19, A. D. 1859. L. F. STEELE, Sheriff. By W. J. HANCOCK, Deputy.

RED LAND MALE AND FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Second Term of this Institution commenced on Monday October 3d, and will continue without intermission—except a week at Christmas—for the term of forty weeks. The course of instruction is complete and the corps of teachers efficient.

The large and comfortable new buildings being finished, we can now offer as many facilities for instruction as may be found in the South-west. The institution is located in a high and healthy region of country, watered by the best of springs, which makes the situation a desirable one.

CHARGES PER SESSION OF FIVE MONTHS, PAYABLE AT CLOSE OF EACH SESSION. Primary Department, \$15 00 Secondary " 20 00 Academical " 25 00 Musical " 30 00 Ornamental " 10 00 Greek or Modern Languages " 10 00

COTTAGE GROVE MALE AND FEMALE SEMINARY, BOSSIER PARISH, LA. The next regular session of this institution will begin on the first Monday in October, 1859, under the supervision of Thos. B. HANCOCK, assisted by such other teachers as the interest of the school may demand.

TRADES PER SESSION OF TWENTY WEEKS. Primary Department, \$15 00 Intermediate " 20 00 Advanced " 25 00 Music on piano, with use of instrument " 30 00 Guitar, with use of instrument " 25 00 Ornamental work " 5 00 Contingent fees " 1 00

To my numerous friends and customers of Bossier Parish I beg to announce that I have taken an agency for Mr. B. O. MESURIZ, and re-opened at my late stand, corner of Texas and Market streets, in Watson's building, where they will find the largest and finest assortment of goods ever offered in this market before, consisting of:

WATCHEs. of the best English manufactures, fully guaranteed, and at PRICES TO COMPARE WITH ANY HOUSE IN NEW ORLEANS. I also keep a large assortment of SILVER WARE, JEWELRY, DIAMONDS, FINE CUTLERY, CLOCKS, BRAZIL PEBBLES, &c.

LANNA & SPOR, TEXAS STREET—NEAR THE LEVEE, SHREVEPORT, LA. Would respectfully call the attention of the citizens of Bossier, and the world generally that they have on hand, and are continually receiving the largest, best and cheapest stock of Dry Goods ever brought to the wharf of Shreveport.

SALE OF A 16th SECTION. In obedience to an order of the Auditor of Public Accounts of this State, I will sell at public auction between the hours of eleven o'clock in the forenoon and four in the afternoon of SATURDAY the tenth day of December next, 1859, before the court house door in the town of Bellevue, La., that portion of the sixteenth section of township number twenty-two of range number thirteen of the North-west land district of Louisiana that now remains unsold.

Terms of Sale: The land will be sold in parcels of not less than forty nor more than one hundred and sixty acres. One tenth part of the purchase money is to be paid in cash and the remainder in nine equal annual installments, being interest from day of sale at the rate of eight per cent per annum; interest payable annually. For the installments the purchaser is to give his notes, with approved personal security together with a special mortgage on the land bought to secure the payment of the same. No bid less than the appraisement will be cried.

An advertisement, setting forth the many conveniences and advantages to be derived from metal window-sashes, among other particulars, observed "that these sashes would last forever, and afterwards, if the owner had no further use for them, they might be sold for old iron."

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