

The Bossier Banner.

W. H. Scanland, Editor and Proprietor.

BENTON, LOUISIANA,
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 1896.

Police Jury Proceedings.

BENTON, LA., JULY 6, 1896.

Police Jury met as Board of Reviewers. Roll call showed the following members present: E. S. Dortch, J. A. Sewall, W. M. Abney, J. R. Cavett, M. W. Cason, J. T. Manry and C. D. Sandidge.

The body organized by electing E. S. Dortch President and B. R. Nash Clerk, for one year; and on motion and second, W. H. Scanland was elected Parish Treasurer for four years.

On motion and second, Police Jury took recess for dinner, to meet at 2 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

Police Jury met after dinner. Roll call showed following members present: E. S. Dortch, President; Dr. W. M. Abney, J. A. Sewall, J. R. Cavett, M. W. Cason, J. T. Manry and C. D. Sandidge.

On motion and second, President Dortch appointed J. A. Sewall and J. T. Manry a committee on printing. After report of the committee, W. H. Scanland's bid to do the printing for this body for \$160 for a period of one year, was accepted.

On motion and second, The body elected A. J. Murff Parish Attorney at a salary of \$100 per year, under following contract:

This is to certify that I, A. J. Murff, hereby agree to act as Attorney for the Police Jury for the sum of \$100 per annum, collectable quarterly. This to include all advice, and all necessary and all ordinary defence that may be necessary in Courts, &c., also, all interdiction fees for insane persons. This does not include suits which may be brought on Sheriff's bonds, and other suits wherein the State and Parish has to bring suits, my fees in these cases being fixed by law.

A. J. MURFF.
On motion and second, The President of the Police Jury is hereby authorized to offer a reward of \$100 for the arrest of Bob Parker, who murdered Constable Morris; said reward to be paid after complete identification.

On motion, Police Jury adjourned until to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

BENTON, LA., JULY 7, 1896.

Police Jury met in regular session. Roll call showed the following members present: E. S. Dortch, President; J. A. Sewall, Dr. W. M. Abney, J. R. Cavett, M. W. Cason, J. T. Manry and C. D. Sandidge.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

On motion of J. T. Manry, seconded by M. W. Cason, That the Assessment be taken up by wards: Yeas—E. S. Dortch, J. T. Manry and M. W. Cason. Nays—J. A. Sewall, W. M. Abney, J. R. Cavett and C. D. Sandidge.

The Board then took up Assessment and proceeded to review the same.

On motion, Police Jury took recess for dinner to meet at 2 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Police Jury met after dinner and took up Assessments.

Police Jury adjourned until to-morrow at 8 o'clock a. m.

BENTON, LA., JULY 9, 1896.

Police Jury met in regular session. Roll call showed the following members present: E. S. Dortch, President, J. A. Sewall, Dr. W. M. Abney, J. R. Cavett, M. W. Cason, J. T. Manry and C. D. Sandidge.

On motion and second, The body took up Assessments and proceeded to review the same, and after equalizing the Police Jury appointed Monday, July 20th as the day to meet the following tax payers whose assessments have been raised, and the clerk of this body is instructed to notify them:

Ward 1.	Raised.
J. W. Atkins,	\$1000
J. W. & H. E. Atkins,	500
W. H. & C. B. Hodges,	1200
T. W. Holmes,	140
J. T. McDade,	1000
Wade Washington,	140
E. S. Dortch,	245

Ward 2.	Raised.
Geo. Alexander,	120
Miss Alice Arnold,	75
Mrs. P. A. Butts,	150
J. M. Arnold and wife,	210
W. T. Colquitt,	365
B. A. Kelly,	140
Mrs. E. Kelly,	970
J. M. Montgomery,	370
J. M. Sellington,	150
A. R. Thompson,	420
G. A. Wise,	300
J. H. Woods,	950

Ward 3.	Raised.
Antrim Lumber Co.,	750
Whited & Wheless,	2500

Ward 6.	Raised.
Heard & Sandidge,	400
W. J. Hickman,	585
J. G. & W. E. McDade,	1000
J. A. Skannal,	1880
J. W. Prince,	590
Mrs. A. J. Carmonche,	590

Non-Resident.	Raised.
State National Bank,	1025
Merchants and Farmers Bank,	435
Commercial National Bank,	300
T. C. Barret,	1520
Sam Benjamin,	180
F. Bonnett,	100
Estate J. D. Bryan,	760
Burns Succession (A. Curtis)	1700
R. B. Campbell,	440
L. E. Carter,	610
Mrs. C. E. Eads,	240
J. M. & W. L. Foster,	800
C. J. Foster,	420
J. G. Gingras,	420
Mrs. R. A. Gray,	795
D. S. Hall,	160
D. S. & S. E. Hall,	400
Hicks & Hicks,	240
Mrs. J. J. D. Hines,	1520
F. C. Hodges,	240
Mrs. O. Hunter,	450
Perry Hutchinson,	500
La. Land Investment Co.,	920
Mrs. P. Marshall,	450
Estate E. Skannal,	360
F. P. Stubbs,	1080

On motion and second, The body allowed the Tax Assessor \$250 on Assessment for 1896.

The following per diem, mileage and committee work was allowed: E. S. Dortch, \$47 20, J. A. Sewall \$10 20, Dr. W. M. Abney \$9, J. R. Cavett \$12, M. W. Cason \$14 40, J. T. Manry \$43, C. D. Sandidge \$13 80, and for Clerk B. R. Nash \$50, Rafe Watson, janitor, \$1 60.

Following Warrants were issued: No. 853—J. A. Sewall.....\$10 20
854—Dr. W. M. Abney..... 9 00
855—J. R. Cavett..... 12 00
856—M. W. Cason..... 14 40
857—J. T. Manry..... 43 00
858—C. D. Sandidge..... 13 80
859—Rafe Watson..... 1 60
860—E. S. Dortch..... 47 20
861—B. R. Nash..... 50 00
862—W. H. Bledsoe..... 75 00
863—W. H. Bledsoe.....175 00

Minutes read and approved. On motion, Police Jury adjourned to meet on the 20th instant, to hear tax payers, and transact all business that may come before it.

E. S. DORTCH, President.
B. R. NASH, Clerk.

Reunion.

Company B, 28th Louisiana Confederate Veterans will hold their 10th Annual Camp Fire Reunion on Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th and Friday 21st of August, at their reunion grounds, on Bodcau, near Timothea.

All Confederate veterans are invited to be with us. Will be a barbecue and dinner on Thursday, Aug. 20.

Camp Henry Gray, No. 551, U. C. V., will hold a meeting at the same time.

F. M. BARNETT, Chairman.
TIMOTHY OAKLEY, Adjutant.
Plain Dealer please copy.

BAPTIST CAMP MEETING, MAGNESIA SPRINGS, ARK., JULY 12 TO 20.—On July 12 to 20, the Cotton Belt will sell round trip tickets from Benton to Magnesia Springs, Ark., and return at rate of \$2 15 for round trip.—Limit for return to July 21st.
O. R. DENTON, Agent.

The "Get There" Mania.

Memphis Commercial Appeal.]

In a very sensible and humane article on a new psalm of life, the Augusta Chronicle makes some strictures on the modern interpretation of Longfellow's injunction to us to "act that each to-morrow find us farther than to-day." It insists that were one of the progressionists of this day to throw his whole theory of life into a few burning words he would concentrate it all into the two, "Get there."

Our contemporary is correct. To get there, no matter who falls, is the creed of too large a proportion of our nineteenth century population. While in their selfishness they make themselves believe that to rustle is all right, and that he who has not been provided with the essentials of a sprinter deserves to drop, yet this is but a mile indorsement of the principles of the prehistoric ages—the survival of the fittest.

In vegetable life the principle may still be allowable, but it should not govern Christians. "The politician may get there in that he attains some good office and enjoys a large measure of praise," says the Chronicle; "but he may accomplish this by an utter prostitution of the better part of his nature. The preacher may have the trumps of fame sounded before him as he moves and sinners be ready to weep and repent as he opens his campaigns, but his 'get there' in all this may be the result of an appeal to men's love of the sensational rather than an awakening of the better parts of their natures. The variety of styles in which the seeker after wealth may attain his aims in the opinion of himself and others is past all enumeration. But in almost all such instances, the achievement of success simply means the accomplishment of some selfish ambition and not the performance of some part by which the world will be improved. This new psalm of life which they would have taken up and sung by the incoming generation has in it nothing of enthusiasm for humanity. It means the first place in honor, power or wealth for oneself, and a committal of those who fall behind to the devil's care. We would not commend that 'excelsior' motto which Longfellow's youth had inscribed on his banner as the best one for a boy to adopt. But it is better than this 'get there' which our modern boy is told to have on his lips. Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost is not a noble rule of life. The man who 'gets there' by pulling others down to mount upon their misfortunes does not enjoy the highest type of success. The man who lifts the fallen and lends a helping hand to those who are faint and discouraged may not get as far along to the pinnacle which men call success in a worldly sense, but he will hold a more enduring place in the hearts of his fellow men, and have a surer hold upon eternity than the man who sacrifices every claim of those about him to his own selfish determination to 'get there.'"

The man who takes a humane view of things—who pauses in the pace that kills long enough to administer balm to an unfortunate fallen among thieves—may not get money in his purse as quickly as your progressionist, and it may not be so well filled, but no doubt he will get as much pleasure out of life and die with as few regrets. This doctrine, we are aware, is old-fashioned, but it is pretty sound yet.

Mass Meeting.

BENTON, LA., JULY 6, 1896.
At a mass meeting held at the Court House on this day J. A. Sewall was called to the chair, and C. M. Boreing elected Secretary.

W. C. Vance explained that the object of the meeting was for the purpose of adopting rules and regulations for the election of Constable and Member of Executive Committee of Ward 2.

The following was adopted as one general resolution to cover the entire matter.
Resolved, That there be a primary election held on Tuesday, the 14th day of July, for the purpose of electing a Constable and Member of Executive Committee, and that all white Democrats be invited to participate in said election, and that the polls be opened at usual polling places in the ward, to-wit: Benton and Bossier City.

That the polls be opened at 8 a. m. and closed at 5:30 p. m. The election to be conducted under same rules and regulations as State election, and that the returns of said election be made by the commissioners to the Senator and Representative of this

parish, and the chairman of this meeting, and that the Senator, Representative and Chairman recommend the appointment of the person receiving a majority of all the vote cast at said election.

In the event no one receives a majority, then the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall run over under same rules as first election.

In case of second election, it shall be held on July 21st.

The candidates selected the following commissioners. The chairman appointed the clerks:

Commissioners for Benton—A. G. Teague, J. M. Shaver, M. L. Bishop; F. B. Ogden, clerk.

Commissioners for Bossier City—E. L. Boney, W. H. Billingsly, E. M. Hoyer; W. B. McCormick, clerk.

On motion, the above minutes and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

J. A. SEWALL, Chairman.
C. M. BOREING, Secretary.

A Ringing Red Hot Anti-Dynamite Mass Meeting.

On Friday, June 26, the citizens of Bossier and Webster parishes met at Graham's Crossing, on Bodcau, to discuss the dynamite question. At 11 a. m. the meeting was called, and Capt. W. J. Hughes was appointed Chairman and Dr. P. Gibson Secretary.

Capt. J. J. Crow moved a rising vote be taken both for and against dynamiting, which vote showed the meeting to be anti-dynamite unanimously.

Mr. G. W. Carruthers moved a committee be appointed by the chair to draft resolutions expressing the feeling of the citizens against dynamiting for fish.

This motion was carried, and the following committee appointed; F. C. Hodges, Dr. P. Gibson, Capt. J. J. Crow, from Webster, and Ex-Senator W. A. Stroud, W. J. Johnston, L. J. and J. L. Keith, from Bossier.

The meeting adjourned till 2 p. m. to await the report of committee.

Promptly at 2 p. m., after partaking of a nice and bounteous dinner graciously served by the fair ladies beneath the spreading branches of the stately oaks, Captain W. J. Hughes, the Chairman of the meeting, called for report of the committee.

The committee being ready, submitted the following resolutions:

Mr. Chairman: We, your committee on resolutions beg to submit the following:

1st. We hereby condemn in unlimited terms the use of dynamite for killing fish in Bodcau and adjacent streams.

2nd. We Resolve, That we will use our best efforts to convict any and all that persist in using dynamite for the destruction of fish in Bodcau and adjacent streams.

3rd. We will use our influence to restrict the sale of dynamite, and to secure proper legislation thereto.

This report was unanimously adopted by rising vote, with the following amendment:

4th. Resolved, That a committee from both sides of Bodcau bayou be appointed to act as patrolmen. Each committee report to its respective chairman, whose duty is to inform the District Attorney. This committee is to be kept secret from the public. The chairman of this patrol committee is to be appointed by the chairman of the committee on resolutions, and to serve an unlimited term.

After some discussion, the following petition was drawn up and signed:

1st. We, the undersigned citizens of Webster and Bossier parishes, in joint assembly, do hereby petition the Police Juries of Webster and Bossier parishes to enact such laws as will place dynamiting for fish with the things of the past.

2nd. We do hereby petition Messrs. J. I. Allen, Postmaster at Sarepta and Police Jury elect, and Jessie Sykes, of Sykes' Ferry, to stop selling dynamite, either in person or by agents; and also petition any all parties engaged in the sale of same to do likewise.

F. C. Hodges. Frank McClelland.
R. L. Burks. R. L. Willis.
W. D. Johnston. E. H. Montzingo.
J. D. Burks. E. B. Lowe.
J. T. Manry. G. F. Malone.
G. B. Williams. J. M. Coyle.
J. J. Crow. C. C. Crosby.
L. J. Burks. J. B. Whittington.
G. W. Denig. W. L. Baton.
W. T. Burks. W. J. Bounds.
R. W. Young. Wm. Burks.
J. L. Hollis. J. M. McCall.
C. M. Burks. J. F. Adair.
John Davis. J. F. Gladney.
W. J. Hughes. W. J. Young.
W. L. Coyle. J. B. Holland.
L. C. Campbell. J. D. Campbell.
G. B. Cocoa. J. N. Martin.
T. H. Larkin. A. R. Thompson.
H. J. Lenoir. D. E. Bass.
W. T. Keoth, Jr. Silas Stroud.
W. T. Keoth, Sr. W. A. Stroud.
E. E. Martin. O. M. Moody.
W. J. Johnston. C. H. Irion.
M. Holly. J. E. Adger.

Chas. Jones.
On motion, by W. J. Johnston, it was carried, That the days proceedings in full should be published in the Bossier and Webster papers.

Business being concluded, the meeting adjourned sine die.

School Board Proceedings.

BENTON, LA., JULY 4, 1896.

School Board met in regular session. Roll call showed the following members present: W. J. Johnston, President; R. B. Martin, J. W. Prince, N. W. Sentell, J. B. Thompson. Absent: E. S. Dortch, J. N. Platt, J. D. Rogers, J. M. Arnold.

Minutes of April meeting read and approved.

The President appointed the following members a committee to examine and report on settlement with W. H. Scanland, Parish Treasurer: N. W. Sentell, J. W. Prince, Dr. R. B. Martin.

W. H. Scanland, Treasurer.

In account with	Bossier School Fund.
1896. Current Fund.	
April 4.—To amount to correct.....	\$ 7 60
May 18.—To amount from State Superintendent.....	1893 40
July 3.—To amount from collector on polls of 1894, \$30, less 5 per cent.....	19 60
April 2.—To amount from collector, polls, 1895, \$37, less 5 per cent.....	329 65
July 3.—To amount down, overdrawn.....	10130 56
	\$12290 21

Cr.	Amounts Due Townships.
April 2.—By amount down overdrawn.....	\$10360 60
April 2.—By amt. paid J. J. McCann.....	19 25
May 18.—By amount paid Warrants No. 213 to 261, inclusive.....	1915 98
July 3.—By commission on \$1935 23.....	48 85
	\$12290 20
July 3.—By bal. down overdrawn.....	\$10130 56

To Town.	Range.	Amount.
16	10	33 04
16	12	78 68
17	11	45 63
17	12	609 17
17	13	229 38
18	13	2126 11
19	13	522 82
20	14	344 92
21	14	1165 98
22	14	3091 90
23	14	1598 28

Recapitulation.
July 3.—To amount due Townships.....\$10 034 71
By amount overdrawn..... 10 136 56
July 3.—Net cash on hand..... 95 85

Committee reported the Treasurer's account was correct. Committee report received and accepted and vouchers ordered burned in open session.

On motion and second the following resolution was adopted, and the President and Secretary authorized to sign the same:

To the State Board of Education, Baton Rouge, La.: We, the School Board of Bossier Parish, La., do resolve that, Whereas the Benton School is already doing High School work (the school building and fixtures being of no expense to the parish) your Board will recognize it as a High School, and authorize it to issue diplomas as the Benton High School. Be it further Resolved, That we adopt the High School course of study recommended by Prof. Alcee Fortier and here appended.

W. J. JOHNSTON, President School Board.
B. R. NASH, Acting Secretary.

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE RECOMMENDED BY PROF. ALCEE FORTIER.

First Year—First Term.	5
English Grammar	5
English Dictation and Composition	5
Algebra and Arithmetic (review)	5
U. S. History	5
{ Phys. Geography	5
{ Latin	5
Drawing and Singing	5
	30 or 21

Second Term—Same as above.
Second Year—First Term.

English	5
{ Grammar	2
{ Dictation and Composition	2
{ Literature	2
Math. { Algebra (review)	4
{ Arithmetic (review)	4
United States History	3
{ Physics	3
{ French	3
{ Latin	3
Drawing and Singing	5
	30 or 21

Second Term as above.
Fourth Year—First Term.

English	5
{ Literature	5
{ Rhetoric and Composition	5
Math. { Geometry	4
{ Algebra (review)	4
General History (review)	2
Civil Government	2
{ Physiology	3
{ French	3
{ Latin	3
Drawing and Singing	5
	32 or 23

English as in first term.
Math. { Algebra and Geometry reviewed 5
{ or Com. Arith. and book keeping 5
General History (review) 2
Chemistry 3
And French 3
Or Latin 5

On motion, School Board adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p. m.

Board met after dinner. Roll call showed the following members present: W. J. Johnston, President; R. B. Martin, J. W. Prince, N. W. Sentell and J. B. Thompson.

On motion and second, Maria Paul was allowed \$4 days pay at \$1 25 per day for teaching Ford school, to be paid out of the 3 months fund for that school.

On motion and second, application of J. E. Murray for half month's pay was laid on the table until next meeting.

On motion and second, No teacher will be allowed to count pupils to keep up an average that has been counted in the average of other schools. Carried.
On motion and second, The new Board is requested to meet on the Friday before the first Saturday in October for the purchase of organizing, and for letting out schools for the next school year.
Members drew their per diem and adjourned sine die.

Photographs.

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J. D. DAMBLY.

State Tax Sales of Immovable Property.

The State of Louisiana vs. Delinquent Tax Debtors, Parish of Bossier.
By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana, I will sell at the principal front door of the Court House in which the Civil District Court sits, within the legal hours for just sales, beginning at 11 a. m. on Saturday the 31st day of July, A. D. 1896, and continuing on each succeeding day until said sales are completed, all immovable property on which taxes are now due to the State of Louisiana, District of Bossier, and the Bossier Parish, to enforce collection of taxes assessed in the year 1895, together with interest thereon from the 31st day of December of the year in which said taxes were due, at the rate of 5 per cent per month until paid and all costs.

The number of said delinquent tax payers, the amount of taxes due by each on the assessment of said year, and the immovable property assessed to each to be offered for sale are as follows, to-wit:

WARD 3.
J. E. Johnston—Lot 66 of the 1st addition to town of Plain Dealing, fully described on page 18, Volume 15, Conveyances. Taxes for 1894 and 1895, \$13.
Zack Gardner—South half of northeast quarter, northwest quarter of northeast quarter and northeast quarter of northeast quarter of section 4, township 21, range 13, and southwest quarter of southeast quarter and southeast quarter of southeast quarter of section 23, township 22, range 13. Taxes for 1895, \$6 10.
Estate of Frank Ward—Half interest in northwest quarter of section 8, township 21, range 13. Taxes, 1892-1895, \$3 60.

WARD 4.
Sidney Brittenline—Northwest quarter of northeast quarter and northwest quarter of northeast quarter of section 19, township 21, range 11. Taxes for 1894-5, \$7 45.
Estate of Joseph Graham—Sixty acres in fractional north half of northwest quarter of section 10, township 21, range 12. Taxes for 1893-4-5, \$2 70.

Madison Hughes—Southeast quarter of southeast quarter of section 6, township 21, range 12. Taxes for 1894-5, \$5 23.
Estate Anthony Harris—Northwest quarter of southeast quarter of section 24, township 21, range 12. Taxes for 1894 and 1895, \$3 57.
Estate Janet Conroy—Lots 2, 3 and 4, in fractional north half of northwest quarter and northwest quarter of northeast quarter of section 15, township 20, range 11. Taxes, \$1 92.

John Wesley—Southeast quarter of northeast quarter and northeast quarter of southwest quarter of section 11, township 18, range 12. Taxes for 1893, 1894 and 1895, \$7 58.

WARD 6.

Heirs D. W. Hughes—Southeast quarter of northwest quarter of section 17, township 21, range 12. Taxes, 1892-1895, \$5 23.
Robert and J. L. Hodges—Northwest quarter of southwest quarter of section 12, township 16, range 11. Tax 60 cents.

Dr. T. A. Snider and Heirs of Mary J. Snider—Northwest quarter, north half of fractional northeast quarter, north half of east half of southeast quarter, fractional west half of northeast quarter of section 6, township 18, range 12, and fractional southeast quarter and southwest quarter of southeast quarter, north half of section 23, township 19, range 12