

The Bossier Banner.

W. H. Scanland, Editor and Proprietor.

BENTON, LOUISIANA, THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1898.

A slight conflict took place between Russian and Chinese forces near Kin-Chou Monday.

There are no doubt many people in this State sorry that they voted for the Constitutional Convention now misrepresenting them.

Politicians out of a job should apply at once to the Constitutional Convention before it is too late. The people pay the taxes. Darn the expense.

The Bear will help himself. In order to prevent further trouble Russia says Kin-Chou Bay must be included in the lease of Port Arthur and Ta-Lien-Wan.

The infamous Railroad Commission Ordinance was adopted by the Constitutional Convention Wednesday by a vote of 83 for and 46 against. A few more plums for political scrubs.

War between the United States and Spain seems to be inevitable, and the indications are that fighting will soon begin. Great excitement prevails in Spain over the last dispatches from Washington.

Rochester Herald: There is some talk of a coal combine to gouge the government in the way of coal in the event of war. A liberal use of hemp would be the best thing for the fellows who go into that kind of a game.

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The Delinicator for the month is full of fashions and has a good list of fancies. The ladies will enjoy this number. Price, \$1 a year; single copies, 15 cents. Address The Butterick Publishing Company, East Fourteenth street, New York City.

The Democrats made big gains all over Illinois Tuesday of last week. The clean-cut Democratic majority of 25,866 over the Republican ticket in Chicago is sweeping and significant. Events point to an overwhelming victory in both Illinois and Wisconsin next November.

There is a growing disposition on the part of a majority of Louisiana's law-makers to consider the government as something apart from the people of this State—as an entity created, not to do the popular will, but to rule those whom it should serve. The sooner this idea is relegated to the lands of the "kings, by divine right," from whence it came, the better it will be for this land of popular sovereignty.

Gallatin News: Tennessee farmers are now enjoying better financial conditions than at any time during the past fifteen years. Those lusty-lunged calamity howlers who did such active work along that line while the last Presidential campaign was in progress have retired to the bushes and are now being fitted out with a set of full expansion rawhide lungs for the next campaign. Whatever may be the shibboleth of the extremist it cannot longer be "hard times."

Louisiana was admitted into the Confederacy of the United States of America on the 13th of April, 1812—86 years ago yesterday. The State contains within its limits an area of about 48,000 square miles. Claiborne was the first Governor of Louisiana. He occupied the Executive chair, territorial and State, for thirteen years. He was succeeded in 1816 by General James Villere. The election was by the General Assembly and so continued to be for years. In January, 1817, ex-Governor Claiborne was elected United States Senator, but did not live to wear his Senatorial honors long, as he died in November following. Henry Johnson, who was subsequently Governor, was his successor in the Senate.

Police Jury Proceedings.

BENTON, LA., APRIL 12, 1898.

Police Jury met in regular session. Roll call showed the following members present: E. S. Dortch, President; Dr. W. M. Abney, J. W. Jeter, J. R. Cavett, J. T. Manry, M. W. Cason, C. D. Sandidge. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. On motion and second, Police Jury adjourned to meet at 1:30 a. m.

EVENING SESSION.

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Coroner's jurors over dead bodies of a floater and Henry Bee were allowed following accounts:

- J. C. Smith, Cor. juror, floater, \$2
J. S. Overcash, " " " 2
R. W. Ford, " " " 2
W. B. Graham, " " " 2
W. M. Rushing, " " " 2
J. W. Jeter, " " " 2
J. T. Jeter, " " " 2
P. B. Cash, " " " 2
W. T. Colquitt, " " " 2

Following claims were allowed:

- Dr. W. M. Abney, jail acct. \$21 50
D. B. Stinson, road acct. 1 45
J. G. Allen, J. P., ward 3. 4 06
J. B. Dooley, Constable. 4 65
R. C. Stinson, J. P., ward 2, 4th quarter 1897 and 1st quarter 1898. 29 10
J. M. Montgomery, Constable 24 60
A. R. Curry, for Mary Boyd. 5 00
A. R. Curry, capturing negro 5 00
F. R. Garrett, J. P., ward 4. 1 43
J. J. Allums, Constable " 4. 1 50
J. P. Gleason, J. P., ward 5. 2 25
J. L. Keith, Constable " 5. 8 90
R. C. Stinson, lumber. 3 28
Whited & Wheless " " 2 88
Allen Bros. & Wadley, lumb. 5 94
J. G. Hodges, Nat Simpkins. 5 00
West Toliver, cleaning drift from Red Chute bridge. 3 00
Davis & McKalis, lumber, to J. W. Elston. 3 84
J. W. Elston, nails. 80
McKillips, Davis & Frost, to Marsalus. 21 37
H. Barnacastle, J. P., ward 6. 1 68
J. W. Oneal, Constable " 6. 9 70
J. G. Barnett, building Fee and repairing Bluff bridge. 31 50
W. B. Hickman, bridge. 2 50
B. A. Kelly, account. 63 62
Dr. H. Neeson, Coroner. 45 90
School Board, 52 polls. 52 00
On motion, Police Jury adjourned until to-morrow at 8 o'clock, a. m.
E. S. DORTCH, President.
B. R. NASH, Clerk.

BENTON, LA., APRIL 13, 1898.

Police Jury met in regular session. Roll call showed the following members present: E. S. Dortch, President; W. M. Abney, M. W. Cason, J. T. Manry, C. D. Sandidge. Absent: J. W. Jeter, J. R. Cavett. Minutes preceding meeting read and approved.

B. A. Kelly, Clerk of Court, was allowed additional metallic desk and box fixtures.

The following road overseers were appointed:

ROAD OVERSEERS.

WARD 1.

- Jack Fullilove, from Mack's Bayou to Curtis.
Will Jenkins, from Curtis to Scopeni.
Rufus Childers, from Scopeni's to Ash Point.
W. D. Mercer, Jr., from Ash Point to Red Chute.
F. B. Lattier, from Ash Point to Knox Point.
Floyd Wiley, from Elm Grove to Red Chute.
R. H. Rains, from Knox Point to Red Chute.
J. W. Atkins, from Knox Point Depot to Red Chute.
J. R. Bryan, from Knox Point to ward line.
A. J. Moss, from Swan Lake to Furniss'.

WARD 2.

- Whit Arnold from Vol Peterson's to T. J. Tidwell's, and work hands on Bob Arnold, Johnson English,

Gilbert Johnson, Vol Peterson, C. W. Arnold, Sam Gilliard, Calvin Gilliard, Marion Gilliard, Edmund Parks, Lewis Whitworth and Platt places.

Renben Pearson, from Benton to Tidwell's, and work hands on Palmetto and Kingston.

Willis Hunter, from Red Chute to Alligator bayou.

Irwin Stokes, from Cutoff bayou to Benoit bayou, and work hands on Little and Big B Bends, Wallace place and rear of Shady Grove.

WARD 3.

N. W. Sentell, from Gilmer to Stock Hill.

A. M. Odom, from Stock Hill to Rocky Mount.

J. D. Gleason, from R. H. Curry's to Plain Dealing.

Frank Cook, from Plain Dealing to ward line.

W. D. Byram, from Sandidge place to Oak Hill.

WARD 4.

M. J. Allen, from Carterville to Boggs place.

Wilson Covington, from Free bridge to Walker's Chapel.

Calvin Edens, from Mot to Red Land.

F. R. Crawford, from Mot to J. M. Madding's.

WARD 5.

J. F. Adair, from intersection at Cade place road to Mrs. Coker lane.

Jackson Gay, from Cade place to intersection of Midway and Benton road.

Gus Lay, from Cypress Bayou bridge to White Oak.

L. R. Bumgardner, from White Oak to intersection of Benton and Bellevue road.

J. M. Lewis, from Cypress bayou bridge to Pine Grove church.

J. A. Scarborough, from Cypress bayou bridge, on lower road, to W. W. Belcher's.

J. B. Whittington, from Pilgrim Home church to Jno. Young slough.

W. D. Smith, from Young slough to J. P. Gleason's.

R. L. Adger, from Cypress bayou bridge, near J. E. Adger, to Rocky Mount and Hughes Spur road.

Bradley Winham, from Rocky Mount to Caney creek bridge.

Malon Shaver, from Caney creek bridge to Midway.

WARD 6.

Kennis Jones, from 3 mile post to Bellevue.

Arthur McDade, from 3 mile post to Fillmore.

B. M. Doyle, from Fillmore to Fox Skin, at Caplis place.

W. H. Huckabay, from Thos. Rascoe's to Red Chute bridge on Haughton and Knox Point road.

Wm. Rhodes, from Dr. Mooty's to I. P. & J. J. Lay's.

Elbert Hicks, from Lay's to Haughton.

Martin Fuller, from Fillmore to Webster line.

T. W. Bledsoe, from Fillmore to Fee Fee bridge at Herring's.

George Young, from J. N. Platt's shop to intersection of Shreveport and Bellevue road, on lower Fillmore road.

Capt. J. W. Onley, from Bellevue and Shreveport road to intersection of Fillmore and Shreveport road.

E. E. Moore, from Bodeau station to Fillmore and Shreveport road.

Jeff Fullwood, from Pineville to Bodeau station.

Ross McDade, from Pineville to Overhead bridge.

All other Overseers in the various wards to hold over until their successors are appointed.

The following committee was appointed to advertise for bids for metallic desks and furniture for Clerk's office: J. W. Jeter, Dr. W. M. Abney, J. T. Manry, B. A. Kelly.

The following claims were allowed: T. M. Vaughan \$72 07, W. H. Smith \$3 30, D. B. Stinson \$6 65, J. T. Manry \$4, R. A. Fox \$28 50, J. E. Adger \$7 29, I. P. & J. J. Lay, for Anthony McCullough, \$7 50; A. R. Thompson, for commissioners of election Knox Point and Curtis, \$18; W. C. Hughes, public road, \$10 88; R. M. Miller, for hands, \$5 50; A. R. Thompson, account, \$184 06; A. J.

Murff, account District Attorney, \$345 00.

On motion and second, Messrs. Jeter and Manry were appointed a committee to locate road at south end of Gilmer lane, and if they find it necessary, to have church moved out of public road, not to exceed \$40.

Police Jury adjourned until 1:30.

EVENING SESSION.

Police Jury met with all members present.

M. C. Elstner, attorney for L. C. Biggs, and others, entered protest against count of the votes and the election held at Haughton on Wednesday, February 23, 1898, for determining the question of sale or no sale of intoxicating liquors in ward 6, on the grounds of illegality in said election, which protest was overruled by the Police Jury, and they proceeded without prejudice to either party to tabulate said election, as follows:

Against sale of intoxicating liquors. 73 votes.
For sale intoxicating liquors 68 votes.

And the President declared the election against the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Parish Treasurer presented the following statement:

Table with financial data for Parish Treasurer, including items like 'To amount on hand', 'To amount from City of Shreveport', etc.

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Table with financial data for Cr., including items like 'By amount paid Warrants', 'By amount paid W. L. Bell & Co.', etc.

1898.

April 11—To balance on hand. \$5621 85

The above statement was accepted as settlement in full to date, and vouchers burned in open session.

W. H. Scanland was allowed for making bridge settlements January, February and March, \$16 80.

A. R. Thompson, Collector, presented the following statement of collection on Roll 1897:

On Tax Roll 1897. \$4688 60
On License 1897. 817 50

On motion Dr. Abney was allowed for roads, \$10; J. R. Cavett, for Mrs. Evans, \$10; Adger & Sanders, Omaha Exposition, \$90; to aid the State, \$10.

On motion the following committee was appointed to locate public road from Knox Point Depot to the hills in Bossier Point, and have the necessary bridges built. Said bridges to be advertised and let to the lowest bidder: E. S. Dortch and J. W. Jeter.

On motion the following committee was appointed to locate and open a public road from Furniss place to Hargis bayou, without cost to the parish: G. A. F. Poole, P. B. Connell, S. M. Furniss.

Police Jury adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

BENTON, LA., APRIL 14, 1898.

Police Jury met in regular session. Present: E. S. Dortch, President; W. M. Abney, J. W. Jeter, M. W. Cason, J. T. Manry. Absent: J. R. Cavett, C. D. Sandidge.

The following per diem and mileage and Committee work was allowed: E. S. Dortch, \$35 50; W. M. Abney, \$9; J. W. Jeter, \$23 50; J. R. Cavett, \$9; M. W. Cason, \$14 40; J. T. Manry, \$22 00; C. D. Sandidge, \$14 80.

The following quarter salaries were allowed: A. R. Thompson, sheriff. \$812 50
W. H. Scanland, Par. Tr. 75 00
W. H. Scanland, Parish Pr. 40 00
B. R. Nash, Clerk of P. J. 50 00

A. J. Murff, Par. Attorney. 25 00
Rafe Watson, janitor. 1 50

Following warrants were drawn:

- No. 1217—J. C. Bell. \$27 15
1218—J. W. Jeter. 10 00
1219—R. T. Childs. 38 79
1220—W. M. Abney. 21 50
1221—D. B. Stinson. 1 45
1222—Dr. W. M. Abney. 36 71
1223—R. C. Stinson. 32 38
1224—J. M. Montgomery. 24 60
1225—A. R. Curry. 10 00
1226—F. R. Garrett. 1 45
1227—J. J. Allums. 1 50
1228—J. P. Gleason. 2 25
1229—J. L. Keith. 8 90
1230—Whited & Wheless. 2 88
1231—Allen & Wadley. 5 94
1232—J. G. Hodges. 5 00
1233—Wes Toliver. 3 00
1234—J. W. Elston. 4 64
1235—Frost & Marsalus. 21 37
1236—H. Barnacastle. 1 68
1237—J. W. Oneal. 9 75
1238—J. G. Barnett. 31 50
1239—W. B. Hickman. 2 50
1240—B. A. Kelly. 63 62
1241—Dr. H. Neeson. 45 90
1242—School Board. 52 00
1243—T. M. Vaughan. 72 07
1244—W. H. Smith. 3 30
1245—D. B. Stinson. 6 65
1246—J. T. Manry. 4 00
1247—R. A. Fox. 28 50
1248—A. R. Thompson. 812 50
1249—A. R. Thompson. 225 73
1250—A. J. Murff. 345 00
1251—W. H. Scanland. 16 80
1252—W. M. Abney. 10 00
1253—W. H. Scanland. 115 00
1254—B. R. Nash. 50 00
1255—A. J. Murff. 25 00
1256—E. S. Dortch. 35 50
1257—J. W. Jeter. 23 00
1258—Destroyed.
1259—M. W. Cason. 14 40
1260—J. T. Manry. 22 00
1261—C. D. Sandidge. 14 80
1262—Rafe Watson. 1 50
1263—A. R. Thompson. 7 50

The minutes read and approved.

Police Jury adjourned sine die.

E. S. DORTCH, President.

B. R. NASH, Clerk.

The Constitutional Convention will probably adjourn finally on the 19th inst. It will then be too late to lock the stable door.

See card of Messrs. Goldstein, Mabry & Co., Shreveport, dealers in groceries, produce, canned goods, fruit, &c. They deal in the best articles in their line and will give you complete satisfaction at lowest market prices. Their immense sales permit them to keep their stock always supplied with fresh goods.

Visitors to Shreveport can get a full meal for 25 cents, at the popular Restaurant of Frank Serwich. Also, neatly furnished rooms. The restaurant is located in the business centre of the city, and is convenient for those visiting Shreveport.

A. Kahn, 223 Texas street, Shreveport, is the sole agent for the celebrated Charter Oak Stoves and ranges, and always keeps a large supply for his customers; also, general house furnishing goods, cutlery, crockery, glass, chinaware, etc.

Others sell cheap, and E. Phelps, the Shreveport shoe and hat man, don't propose to let them get ahead of him. If there is any getting there first, Phelps is going to do it. Send for his catalogue, which he will mail you free of charge.

Stray Sale.

Strayed before F. R. Garrett, Justice of the Peace, ward 4, Bossier Parish, La., by A. D. Windsor, and will be sold at the residence of A. D. Windsor, near Red Land, La., within the legal hours of sale on Saturday, May 21st, 1898, one Red and White Spotted STEER, about 3 years old, marked crop in the right ear and crop and under overbit in the left ear; branded on the right hip—looks like the letter V. Appraised at \$8. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, etc., or the same will be sold according to law. J. J. ALLUMS, Constable.

Stray Sale.

Strayed before F. R. Garrett, Justice of the Peace, ward 2, Bossier Parish, La., by Tom Williams, and taken up on the Adger place, and will be sold at Benton, La., within the legal hours of sale, on Saturday, May 21st, 1898, one Red and White Spotted BULL, about 3 years old, unmarked. Appraised at \$15. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, etc., or the same will be sold according to law. R. C. STINSON.

Stray Sale.

Strayed before F. R. Garrett, Justice of the Peace, ward 4, Bossier Parish, La., by Charley Brice, and will be sold at Emma, La., within the legal hours of sale, on Saturday, May 21st, 1898, one Red and White Spotted BULL, about 3 years old, unmarked. Appraised at \$8. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, etc., or the same will be sold according to law. J. J. ALLUMS, Constable.

Charter of S. H. BOLINGER AND COMPANY, Limited.

STATE OF LOUISIANA. Be it known that PARISH OF BOSSIER, this 9th day of April, A. D. 1898, I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the following named persons have been duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared before me, Haywood H. Montgomery, Notary Public in and for Bossier Parish, Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared and subscribed, who severally declared that availing themselves of the provisions of Act 36 of Session 1888, approved June 29, 1888, as well as those of the general laws of the State of Louisiana relative to the organization of corporations, they have formed and organized, and by these presents do form and organize themselves, their associates and successors into a corporation for the object and purpose, and under the laws and stipulations hereinafter set forth, to-wit:

ARTICLE I. The name and title of this corporation shall be "S. H. Bolinger and Company, Limited," and under said name it shall have and enjoy succession for the period of ninety-nine years from the date of this Charter, may use and be used, may have, hold, purchase, sell, convey, lease, mortgage and pledge property, real and personal; may have and use a corporate seal, and to change same at will; and generally, may and possess any and all powers and privileges which corporations are or may be authorized to possess by law, and particularly to carry out the purposes of this corporation, and its domicile shall be Bolinger, Bossier parish, Louisiana.

ARTICLE II. The object and purposes of this corporation are declared to be, to buy and sell timber lands, to manufacture, buy and sell lumber, to buy, build and operate saw and planing mills, railroad, telegraph and telephone lines, and to conduct a general mercantile business.

ARTICLE III. Citations and all legal processes shall be served on the President, and in his absence on the Secretary.

ARTICLE IV. The capital stock of this corporation is declared to be Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000), divided into eight hundred shares of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) each, which shall be paid for in cash, or property actually sold and delivered to this corporation, and shall be due and payable in such amounts and at such times and places as the Board of Directors may resolve and determine. The corporation shall begin operation as soon as six hundred (\$600) shares, making the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) shall have been subscribed to the capital stock, and paid in.

ARTICLE V. The affairs of this corporation shall be under the management and control of the Board of Directors, composed of five stockholders, three of whom will constitute a quorum, to be elected annually at a meeting of the stockholders, for that purpose to be held on the first Monday in May, 1898, and thereafter, on the first Monday of each year, and the officers shall be: President, Secretary, Treasurer, and one or more directors, each share of stock being entitled to one vote. Until the first election the Directors shall be W. B. Boggs, S. H. Bolinger, F. Chester, F. W. Offenhausser, and H. L. Van Cleave, who shall serve until their successors are duly elected.

ARTICLE VI. The officers of this corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and the officers appointed for the first year shall be: President, S. H. Bolinger; Vice-President, F. Chester; Secretary, F. W. Offenhausser; Treasurer, who shall serve until their successors are duly elected.

ARTICLE VII. No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or debts of said corporation in any further sum than the unpaid balance due to the Company on the shares owned by him, nor shall any liability in the organization have the effect of rendering this Charter null, or of exposing any stockholder to any liability beyond the amount of his stock. No transfer of stock by the holders thereof shall be binding on the corporation, unless said transfer is duly entered on its books.

ARTICLE VIII. Whenever this corporation is dissolved by limitation, or from any other cause, its affairs shall be liquidated by three commissioners from the stockholders appointed for that purpose, at a meeting of same, convened after ten days notice to said stockholders, given to them by letter, addressed to each stockholder and deposited in the mail. In case of death, or failure to act, said remaining commissioners shall appoint their successors.

This done and passed at my office, in said Parish of Bossier, the date and day above written, in the presence of W. F. Ansley and D. W. Robinson, competent witnesses, who with said applicants and me, Notary, have signed these presents.

Names. Number of Shares.
W. B. BOGGS, 233
B. L. VANCLAVE, by W. B. BOGGS, 15
F. W. OFFENHAUSER, by W. B. BOGGS, 10
H. L. VAN CLEAVE, 10
H. J. BUCHHELY, 16
M. S. BOLINGER, 26
FRANK CHESTER, 19
600

Witnesses:
W. F. ANSLEY,
D. W. ROBINSON.
H. H. MONTGOMERY, Notary Public.

STATE OF LOUISIANA. Having examined the PARISH OF BOSSIER, foregoing act of incorporation and finding the same to be in conformity to law, I hereby approve the same. A. J. MURFF, District Attorney Second Judicial District of Louisiana.

Done and signed this the 9th day of April, 1898. Filed and Recorded the 11th day of April, A. D., 1898, in Volume "M" Mortgages. R. B. HILL, Deputy Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

Homestead Entry No. 4673.

Land Office at Natchitoches, La., April 9, 1898. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the District Court, at Benton, La., on May 20, 1898, viz: Homestead Entry No. 4673, Herbert Porter, on the southeast quarter of section 7, and northwest quarter of section 8, township 20 North, range 11 West, Louisiana Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Mitchell Jennings, Richard McCullough, Flander English and Morris Jennings, of Rocky Mount, La. EDWARD PHILLIPS, Register, April 14, 1898.

Commutation Homestead Entry No. 6703.

Land Office at Natchitoches, La., April 9, 1898. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to commute to final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the District Court, at Benton, La., on May 20, 1898, viz: Homestead Entry No. 6703, William Lytle, for the northeast quarter of section 9, township 20 North, range 12 West, Louisiana Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Mitchell Jennings, Richard McCullough, Flander English and Morris Jennings, of Rocky Mount, La. EDWARD PHILLIPS, Register, April 14, 1898.

Notice

Is hereby given that application will be made to the State of Louisiana, through the Honorable E. L. Sisk, Clerk of the Legislature, to have refund made by them of the State of Louisiana under and through erroneous assessments from 1887 to 1895, both inclusive. Benton, Bossier Parish, La., April 14, 1898.