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DONALDSONVILLE, LA.

Saturday, June 30, 1877.

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

The Police Jury and Common Council will hold their regular meeting on Monday next.

The colored people will have a religious festival here to-morrow. A number of excursionists from New Orleans are expected to take part.

Harvey Johnson is in the parish jail, charged with killing a horse belonging to Mr. John Burnside, on the Clark plantation, in the fifth ward.

The Independent Band left town early this morning, on the steamer Little Minnie, bound for St. James, where they will attend the fair for the benefit of the public schools.

Capt. Landry has established the Tax Collector's office in an eligible location and more spacious room, opposite his law office in Chetimaches street, adjoining the residence of Mr. Fred Duffel.

Justice Lusk of the eighth ward sends to the Parish Court the papers in the case of the State vs. Spencer Washington, wherein accused is charged with assaulting and battering Marinda Carter.

It is to be regretted that a difference has occurred between the Canoniers and the Independent Band which will prevent the latter organization from taking part in the Fourth of July celebration.

Parties who desire invitations to the ball to be given by the Canoniers of Donaldson, Fourth of July evening, should apply to the Committee of Administration, through its chairman, Capt. R. Prosper Landry.

The Highcoolorum of the Red Tape Department at Washington has at last been propitiated, and Mr. Wilkinson has received his commission as Postmaster of Donaldsonville. He will take charge of the office to-day.

Messrs. G. H. Hill, Thomas Brown and Alfred Cobbin, committee of arrangements, have requested us to announce that a fair will be given at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, near Mr. Hill's place, on Saturday next, the 7th of July, for the benefit of that church. The public is invited to attend.

We learn incidentally that an entertainment will be given at D. S. C. B. Hall this evening, the proceeds of which will form the nucleus of a fund for the building of a rectory for the Episcopal congregation at this place. No information relative to the precise nature of the entertainment has been furnished us.

One of those little affairs which will occur in the best regulated families took place in the household of our neighbor at the corner, Mr. Aaron Dreyfus, last Saturday night. This is the fifth episode of a similar nature which Mr. Dreyfus has had occasion to rejoice over, and he seems just as highly pleased with No. 5 as he must have been with No. 1.

N. H. Wilson, Inspector of Weights and Measures, is in a peck of trouble—and jail, having been incarcerated upon the affidavit of Mr. Emile Collin, charging Wilson and his assistant, David Reed, with extortion and oppression in office. The specification of the charge is that Wilson and Reed inspected a platform scale not used by affiant in his business as retail merchant and notwithstanding his protest, compelling him to pay for such inspection. Reed has not been arrested, and is believed to have made tracks out of the parish. Wilson says he does not intend to furnish bond, preferring to remain in jail and lay the foundation for a case of false imprisonment.

Mrs. Minnie's cow was impounded by the Town Constable for being found upon the streets in violation of the ordinance relative to stray animals, and that lady hurled some vigorous English at the Constable in consequence. Failing to intimidate the official into releasing her cow, she sought reinforcements in the shape of her son. This young man came to the rescue with such combativeness of spirit and power of lung that he was arrested by the Constable for disturbing the peace. The edict of Mayor Duffel was that the offender should pay a fine of \$3 50 or spend the day in jail. The warrior remained in captivity two hours, when the amount of his fine was forthcoming and he was released.

DISTRICT COURT.

Second Week of the Term—Important Criminal Cases Considered—Judgments in Civil Suits—Adjournment.

We resume our report of the proceedings of the District Court at the point reached in last issue, that is, from the opening of last Saturday's session.

The jury in the case of the State vs. James Robinson delivered a sealed verdict addressed to the Clerk of Court Friday night, which was opened and read Saturday morning and was as follows: "Guilty of assault." The sentence of the Court was \$5 fine or 24 hours in the parish jail. Accused either did not have the money or was loth to part with it, and went to jail.

In the case of the State vs. Geo. Wolfrome, for stealing a horse belonging to Gottlieb Seifried, the jury were not long in finding a verdict of guilty, the eloquent argument of Mr. Carver, the counsel appointed by the Court to defend the prisoner, not being supported by any evidence, there being no witnesses for the defense. Notice was given that a motion for a new trial would be made and this motion was filed yesterday morning. Until this is disposed of no sentence will be passed upon the prisoner.

The charge of grand larceny against Wolfrome, for the alleged stealing of a watch and money from Jacob Krebs, was nolle prossed by the District Attorney after a verdict of guilty was found in the horse stealing case.

George Montgomery, who stole a piece of cloth from the store of Mr. S. Weinschenk, had to confront "dead sure" proof of his guilt, and as was to be expected from the evidence, the jury promptly found a verdict of guilty. Montgomery had paid for the cloth after the theft was discovered, and innocently supposed this fact would secure immunity from prosecution, but his error was impressed forcibly upon his mind when he was brought before the Judge on Tuesday and sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of six months.

A judgment in favor of plaintiff, reviving a former judgment, was rendered in the matter of Widow Lize Gaudin and others vs. John F. Ayrand and others, the amount involved being \$1538 81, with interest at 8 per cent from the 3rd of April, 1860.

In the matter of Heirs of Thos. Mille and wife vs. Jones McCall, defendants exceptions were argued by Messrs. Thos. L. Bayne for defendant and Frank Richardson for plaintiffs. The court overruled one portion of the exceptions and sustained the remainder.

On Monday the cases of the State vs. Wilson Jessie, charged with shooting with intent to murder, and State vs. James McGrew, for larceny of a shotgun, were continued until next term of court. The cause for postponement of Jessie's case was the illness of his counsel, Mr. Winchester, and the McGrew matter went over principally because that individual had pined for solitude and gone in search of it.

On Tuesday the Charles May arson case came on for trial, and before a full jury could be obtained it was found necessary to send the Sheriff out into town to summon twenty citizens as talesmen.

The counsel appointed to represent May being absent, the court designated Judge Cheevers to conduct the defense. The evidence was all circumstantial, but very strong, and the jury soon after retirement returned with their verdict, "Guilty under section 843 of burning a house at night time not occupied by any one." The original charge was for burning a house in which a person usually slept at night, but the State abandoned this position, it being shown that the house fired was unoccupied at the time of the fire. Under the verdict the sentence would be imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than seven nor more than twenty years, but May escapes sentence, at least for the present, as a motion for a new trial was made and sustained, it appearing that he had never been visited by counsel and no adequate measures taken for his defense. May argued his own case before the jury.

Henry Eland and Israel Stewart, accused of robbing the store of L. Picard, in the eighth ward, on the 28th of April, 1876, were acquitted by the jury. T. J. Walton, Esq., presided as Judge ad hoc during the trial of this case, Judge Marks being recused for the reason that the information was filed by him when he was District Attorney.

On Wednesday the Hugh Miller murder case was called, but again

postponed. R. N. Sims, Esq., counsel for prisoner, being absent from the parish. The case goes over to next term.

In the matter of the State vs. Louis Levy and L. B. Mitchell, for alleged larceny of a skiff belonging to Reuben Smith, it was found impossible to procure the attendance of material State witnesses, and the District Attorney entered a nolle pros.

A rule was taken on Mr. R. Mousse, ferry lessee, to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt in refusing to cross jurymen and witnesses free of charge, but on the trial of the rule it was shown that Mr. Mousse was not the party who had made the refusal, and the matter was dismissed.

Thursday the important case of the State vs. Wilson Childress, et als, for the murder of Narcisse Arrieux on the 27th of December last, was taken up according to assignment, and on motion of the District Attorney a severance was granted, under which Wilson Childress and Aaron Carter will be tried separately from Fountain Banks and Octave Lauve. The two first named accused were put upon trial first. The entire day's session was spent in endeavoring to empanel a jury, and after the regular venire and a list of thirty talesmen had been exhausted only five jurymen were obtained. It being evident that it would be next to impossible to obtain a jury from among residents of Donaldsonville, most of whom have heard the particulars of the case and formed opinions, the court directed the Sheriff to proceed to the first and second wards and summon forty talesmen to appear yesterday, to which time the court adjourned.

On resuming the case it was ascertained that important witnesses for both State and defense were absent, and by consent of counsel a continuance until next term was granted, the jurymen being first discharged on the ground that one of them was ill and that a rule of law had been transgressed relative to the others. A large crowd of people of all ages and both sexes had assembled to hear the testimony in this case, and the continuance was a disappointment to them. It is not to be questioned that the ends of justice have been served by this postponement. Under the new law which goes into effect on the 1st of July, the chances for securing a jury of intelligent and discriminating citizens will be greatly improved, and it is believed the case of the State will be made much stronger by evidence not now available.

The last criminal case on the docket was disposed of yesterday, being continued until next term of court, by reason of the absence of a material witness for the defense. This was the case of the State vs. Richard Jones, for larceny of copper pipe from Dr. E. Duffel's sugar house.

The injunction suits of Geddes, Shakespeare & Co. vs. Widow Ulger Dugas et als, and Widow Ulger Dugas vs. Geddes, Shakespeare & Co., were opened this morning and continued for trial at chambers at such date as counsel will agree upon.

The following judgments were rendered: Leon Picard vs. Dumini LeBlanc; judgment for plaintiff for \$6789 58, with eight per cent. interest from March 28, 1872.

J. Cecil Legare vs. R. Prosper Landry, judgment for plaintiff for \$16,687, with eight per cent. interest from April 3, 1869, subject to a credit of \$2248 56.

During the week judgments by default were taken in several civil suits.

The motion for a new trial in the case of the State vs. Moses Harrison, argued and taken under advisement by the Court on the 21st inst., was overruled and an appeal to the Supreme Court taken by counsel for accused. This appeal is returnable at Monroe on the second Monday of July.

The petit jurors were yesterday evening discharged from further service. To-day the motion for a new trial in the Wolfrome horse stealing case, was taken up and overruled, and accused sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Judgment in two civil cases were also rendered. There being no further civil or criminal business fixed for consideration, court adjourned at 11 o'clock to court in course.

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Judgment.

Alice Celestine Gondran, wife of Emile L. Weber, vs. Her Husband.

FARISH COURT OF ASCENSION.

THIS case having been fixed for trial was accordingly taken up pursuant to assignment. The law and the evidence being in favor of plaintiff, Alice C. Gondran, and against her husband, Emile Louis Weber, def., it is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed that the community of acquets and gains heretofore existing between the said plaintiff and defendant be and it is hereby dissolved, and that there be a separation of property between the said parties. It is further ordered and decreed that the plaintiff have the full and free administration of her paraphernal property which she may become possessed of, either by donation, succession or otherwise.

Thus done, read and signed in open Court on this 7th day of June, 1877, Parish of Ascension.

(Signed) H. O. MAHER, Judge.

A true copy of the original judgment on file in my office. Clerk's office, parish of Ascension, La., this 7th day of June, A. D. 1877.

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