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Today is April first. Beware of the practical joker.

The Democratic parish committee, which had been called to meet in special session last Sunday for the purpose of considering the nomination of a municipal ticket, failed to muster a quorum and the session went by the board. It is conceded that the ticket selected at the mass-meeting Thursday night of last week will be the only one in the field.

Proposals are to be received at the office of the Isthmian Canal Commission, Washington, D. C., until 10:30 o'clock a. m. of April 28, 1905, for a large quantity of household furniture for bachelor quarters, hotels, etc., on the Isthmus. Blanks and full information can be procured from Assistant Purchasing Agent S. L. Lupton, whose office is in the New Orleans Customhouse.

"I have been subject to sciatic rheumatism for years," says F. H. Waldron, of Wilton Junction, Iowa. "My joints were stiff and gave me much pain and discomfort. My joints would crack when I straightened up. I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and have been thoroughly cured. Have not had a pain or ache from the old trouble for many months. It is certainly a most wonderful liniment." For sale at X-Ray Drug Store.

An important and interesting special meeting of the town council was held in the mayor's office Thursday night, at which it was decided to place before the voters of the town a proposition to issue bonds to the amount of $56,000 for the purpose of extending the waterworks system, improving the streets and contributing to the erection of a new and modern high school building. The official proceedings of the meeting will be found in another column of this issue.

Assistant Manager J. A. Lorio, of Souvenir plantation, has been promoted to the post of manager made vacant by the recent death of his chief, S. L. Davis, Sr., and is succeeded as assistant by the latter's son, Stark L. Davis, Jr. As both these gentlemen are capable overseers and thoroughly familiar with everything pertaining to Souvenir, it may be taken for granted that they will give the fullest satisfaction to their employers, the Lemann Company, Ltd.

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Club Saloon Changes Hands.

The Club saloon at the corner of Railroad avenue and Iberville street has been sold by Burke & Moseman to Gros Bros. & Webre, the sale having been consummated Tuesday. The new firm is composed of J. R. and Sylvester Gros and J. M. Webre, former residents of the parishes of Lafourche and Assumption. Nic Maire, for some time past a bartender at the Lee Hotel, has been engaged to manage the Club and will have as his assistant Henry Dalferes, this team of mixologists being alone sufficient to insure a continuance of the liberal patronage the Club enjoyed under its former management.

Special Session of District Court.

A special session of district court was held yesterday forenoon with Judge Paul Leche on the bench and all court officers present. Frank Allen and John Sorrell, negroes accused of horse stealing, were arraigned and pleaded guilty, being sentenced to serve two years each in the state penitentiary. Ed. Gabe, colored, charged with breaking and entering in the night time, pleaded guilty and was given a sentence of five years in the penitentiary. By direction of the district attorney the affidavits against Coleman Camp, Paul Rodriguez and Henry Carter, accused of larceny, were ordered dismissed. Court adjourned without date.

Cheated Death.

Kidney trouble often ends fatally, but by choosing the right medicine, E. H. Wolfe, of Bear, Iowa, cheated death. He says: "Two years ago I had kidney trouble, which caused me great pain, suffering and anxiety, but I took Electric Bitters, which effected a complete cure. I have also found them of great benefit in general debility and nerve trouble, and see them constantly on hand, since, as I find they have no equal." J. J. Leche and F. L. Trepagnier druggists, guarantees them at 50c.

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A Modern School Building for Donaldsonville.

There can be no difference of opinion among the intelligent and right-minded citizens of this town and parish as to the urgent need of a capacious and modern school building in Donaldsonville—a structure that will afford ample room and improved facilities for the instruction of the constantly increasing number of our educable children, and constitute an advertisement and object lesson of the degree of interest felt by this community in the cause of public education.

The Chief has long been in the habit of sounding the praises of Donaldsonville as a progressive town, and has nothing to retract or apologize for on that score; but it must be confessed that in some things we are far from being "at the head of the procession," and most conspicuous among our shortcomings is a lack of a public school building commensurate with the population, wealth and culture of the community. The original Ascension Academy served its purpose quite well for several years, and the two story annex which was subsequently erected offered fairly acceptable quarters for several years more to the "overflow" of pupils from the main building, but these structures are not only wholly inadequate to properly accommodate the many hundreds of girls and boys now seeking tuition therein, but are notably out of date in architectural design and construction and sadly deficient in equipment.

There is no better or truer index to the moral and material status of a town than the character of its schoolhouses, and it is the rule rather than the exception among the towns of Donaldsonville's class in the United States that the main public school building is the largest and handsomest stucture in the place. This ought to be the case in Donaldsonville, and the desideratum will soon be attained if our people will give the proper backing to the men who are directing the movement for the extension and betterment of the educational facilities of this community.

The police jury should co-operate by making liberal annual appropriations to the building fund, for the people of the entire parish are concerned in the improvement. The town council should set aside as great a share of its revenues as can possibly be spared, and special municipal taxes should be voted and levied to such extent as may be necessary to insure the erection of a school-building that will be an ornament and credit to Donaldsonville and Ascension. No more profitable or justifiable investment of the public funds can be devised.

Juvenile Logic.

Having been effectually doubled-up and discomfited in an effort to discredit the parish school board for the just and righteous action of awarding its printing contract to the best and lowest bidder, our esteemed young contemporary, The Daily Times, virtually abandons its original contention that because the school directors are Democrats in politics they should have given the contract to a Democratic organ, notwithstanding the offer of another paper with larger circulation to do the work for half as much money. In a vain attempt to "evade the issue"—which is the very thing it alleged against The Chief—our contemporary resorts to an exhibition of juvenile logic that might pass for infantile precocity in a much younger disputant, but is tantamount to begging the question as a serious proposition.

Without attempting to controvert or discuss the statement of facts cited by The Chief as to former and present prices paid for the town and school board printing, the unwarranted donation of school funds to a partisan newspaper as a reward for party services, and the wide discrepancy between the relative amount of work performed by the poorly paid town printer and the liberally compensated parish printer, The Times takes refuge in the reiteration of its immaterial and irrelevant accusation that we have not always been consistent in the matter of our public printing bids, and submits this cogent argument by way of capping the climax of absurdity to which its treatment of the entire subject has tended: "Having received $500 a year for the parish printing and subsequently admitted that $300 is a fair price for the work, The Chief owes the parish $200 for every year the $500 was paid."

Meeting our young contemporary upon the plane of persiflage and levity to which it has descended for escape from the essential features of this controversy, we are quite willing to accept the proposition of restitution suggested on two conditions: 1. That the town shall pay us $200 a year for the many years we have done its $300 worth of work for $100, and 2. That The Times will refund to the parish the $250 a year it has been receiving in excess of its offer to do the parish printing for $250, and will restore to the public school fund the $50 a year surplus of which it has been the beneficiary since a partisan school board arbitrarily doubled the cost of its printing contract for no other reason than to contribute from the sacred educational money of the people to the support of a partisan newspaper.

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Bank of Donaldsonville,

Of Donaldsonville, La.

Report furnished to the STATE EXAMINER OF STATE BANKS by the above Bank for the quarter ending in March, 1905, before opening for business on March 23, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Demand loans	$23,579 87
Loans secured by mortgage	112,865 62
Other loans and discounts	246,666 12
Overdrafts secured	4,884 24
Overdrafts unsecured	376 00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc	2,685 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	9,413 31
Due from banks and bankers	162,539 26
Checks and other cash items	3,453 55
Gold coin	1,425 00
Silver, nickel and copper coin	12,662 19
National bank notes and all issues U. S. Government	18,202 00
Total	$598,752 16

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	50,000 00
Surplus	40,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	25,532 04
Dividends unpaid	55 00
Individual deposits bearing interest	58,854 81
Individual deposits not bearing interest	417,550 31
Certificates of deposit bearing interest	6,760 00
Total	$598,752 16

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF ASCENSION.

I, W. M. McGALLIARD, President, and I, W. D. PARK, Cashier of above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of March, 1905.

R. J. CHAUVIN, Notary Public.

Peoples Bank Steadily Growing.

In another column of today's Chief will be found the quarterly report of the Peoples Bank for the period from Jan. 1 to March 22, 1905. The report shows a total volume of business of $205,705.59, an increase of $29,153.32 for the past year. The deposits aggregate $167,793.01, while on March 22, 1904, this item in the report totalled $87,156.54, showing a gratifying increase of ninety per cent, or $80,636 47, during the past twelvemonth. The heavy gain in deposits is attributed in some degree to the plan instituted by the bank March 21, 1904, under which 3 per cent interest is paid on all time deposits, there now being accredited to this item the sum of $41,725.11. In view of the fact that the Peoples is the youngest of Donaldsonville's three banking institutions, its growth has been little short of remarkable and gives promise of greatly increased development in the future. J. A. Dalferes is the efficient president of this popular young institution, with Frank K. Sims, cashier, W. J. LeBlanc, assistant cashier and J. C. Bouchereau, collector.

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Bank of Ascension's Quarterly Report.

The report of the Bank of Ascension for the quarter ending March 22, 1905, which appears in another column of this issue, shows that reliable institution to be as sound and progressive as ever and will have the effect of adding to the already high degree of confidence felt in the bank by its many patrons. The total business volume reached $359,953.83 at the close of business March 22, the deposits $300,632 10, and the capital and surplus $50,000. The Bank of Ascension is looked upon as one of the soundest and most reliable institutions of its kind in this section of the state, and under the able guidance of its efficient corps of officers and board of directors it is safe to assume that the steady growth which has been exhibited in the past will be continued and greatly increased in the future.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

When you buy a cough medicine for small children you want one in which you can place implicit confidence. You want one that not only relieves but cures. You want one that is unquestionably harmless. You want one that is pleasant to take. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all of these conditions. There is nothing so good for the coughs and colds incident to childhood. For sale at X-Ray Drug Store.

Important to Fuel Oil Consumers.

Readers of this paper who use oil, or who contemplate substituting this cheaper and better fuel for coal or wood, may find it greatly to their interest to correspond with the Texas Fuel Oil Company, Ltd., which has its offices in the Hibernia National Bank Building, New Orleans. This concern is under the management of well-known gentlemen of experience and high standing, and has unexcelled facilities for the shipment and prompt delivery of oil by rail or water. Donaldsonville is to be one of the main distributing points of the Texas Fuel Oil Company and consumers in this section will therefore readily appreciate the advantages likely to accrue from making contracts for oil with such a company rather than with one having its supplies stored at more distant places.

Frightful Suffering Relieved.

Suffering frightfully from the virulent poisons of undigested food, C. G. Grayson, of Lula, Miss., took Dr. King's New Life Pills, "with the result," he writes, "that I was cured." All stomach and bowel disorders give way to their tonic, laxative properties. 25c at J. J. Leche's and F. L. Trepagnier's drug stores, guaranteed.

Negro Kills His Brother.

Ed. Russell, a negro, aged 24 years, was shot and killed by his 20-year-old brother, Walter Russell, about 4 o'clock last Sunday afternoon on Waterloo plantation, near Geismar. Walter Russell was beating and abusing his wife, when Ed. Russel interfered and attempted to restore harmony. Walter resented his brother's action and going to the house of a neighbor secured a single-barrel shotgun, returning and firing at the intruder at very close range. The charge entered the victim's abdomen, making a frightful wound and causing death in a short while. The murderer attempted to escape, but was captured by Constable W. P. Brown, assisted by Ernest Bomar and J. G. Gauthreaux, and was brought to Donaldsonville and lodged in the parish jail.

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QUARTERLY REPORT

Furnished to the State Bank Examiner of State Banks by the

BANK OF ASCENSION,

for the quarter ending in March, 1905, before opening for business on March 23, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans secured by mortgage	$ 45,835 66
Other loans and discounts	134,654 27
Overdrafts unsecured	18 74
Bonds stocks securities, etc	20,191 00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	11,500 00
Due from banks and bankers	121,800 32
Checks and other cash items	100 10
Gold coin	197 50
Silver, nickel and copper coin	10,388 44
National bank notes and all issues of the U. S. Government	15,265 00
Total	$359,953 83

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$ 30,000 00
Surplus	20,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	9,321 73
Individual deposits not bearing int	300,632 10
Total	$359,953 83

State of Louisiana, Parish of Ascension—I, J. Lebeimuth, president, and I, John S. Thibaut, cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of March, 1905. FRED LANDRY, Notary Public.

A Splendid Opportunity!

A Desirable Residence or Business Lot in Donaldsonville For Sale at a Reasonable Price.

THE PROPERTY above referred to is the late home of Antoine Montecino, Sr., at the corner of Chetimaches and Opelousas streets. It measures 60x120 (French) feet, is desirably located for both residence or business and in a choice neighborhood. For further information, apply to R. McCULLOH, Attorney at Law.

Lost or Mislaid.

THREE CERTAIN PROMISSORY NOTES, numbered 7, 8 and 9, each reading as follows: $1000.00, New Orleans, October 15th, 1903. Jointly and in solido two years after date we promise to pay to the order of ourselves at the Hibernia Bank & Trust Co., this city, One Thousand and 00/100 dollars for value received, with interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from date until paid, signed and endorsed in blank by Clement Brou, Faustin Brou, René Brou, Honoré Brou, M. Robert and Paul Robert and paraphed ne varietur by Felix J. Dreyfous, N. P., for identification with an act of sale with mortgage passed before him on October 15th, 1903. The public is hereby warned not to negotiate the same, as duplicates thereof have been applied for.

MRS. GEO. ROSE.

NOTICE.

To Stockholders of the Bank of Ascension.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA., March 28, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given to the stockholders of the Bank of Ascension that the annual election of the board of directors, composed of eleven members, to serve for the coming year, will be held at the bank on TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 1905, at 12 o'clock m., in accordance with Article IV of the charter.

JOHN S. THIBAUT, Cashier.

Election Proclamation.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA., March 30, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given that an election of the properly qualified property taxpayers of the town of Donaldsonville will be held on

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 1905,

to vote on the acceptance or rejection of the propositions embodied in the ordinance of the town council of the town of Donaldsonville, passed on the 30th day of March, 1905, and being as follows, to wit:

Whereas, in the opinion of the town council of the town of Donaldsonville it is necessary and advisable that the streets and sidewalks of the town should be improved, the waterworks system enlarged and extended and a substantial public schoolhouse constructed and equipped;

Therefore, Be it ordained by the town council of the town of Donaldsonville that an election be held of the qualified property taxpayers of the town of Donaldsonville on Saturday, the sixth day of May, 1905, after due publication in the official journal of the town of Donaldsonville for a period of thirty days, to take the sense of the said property taxpayers of the town of Donaldsonville upon the following propositions, which are to be as follows:

First—To incur a debt of thirty-one thousand dollars ($31,000) for the purpose of improving streets and sidewalks and of enlarging and extending the waterworks system of said town of Donaldsonville.

Second—To incur a debt of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for the purpose of erecting, constructing and equipping a public school building in the town of Donaldsonville.

Third—To authorize the town of Donaldsonville in representation of the above indebtedness to issue $56,000 of 5 per cent interest-bearing negotiable bonds of the face value of $1000 each and numbered from one to fifty-six, to run from July 1, 1905; $5000 of said bonds to mature in ten years; $10,000 of said bonds to mature in twenty years; $20,000 of said bonds to mature in thirty years; $21,000 of said bonds to mature in forty years. The interest on said bonds to be payable semi-annually on the second day of January and July of each year.

Fourth—To authorize the town of Donaldsonville to levy, assess and collect a special tax of five mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation in any one year upon all property subject to state taxation in said town, said tax to run for a period of forty years, beginning with the year 1905, the proceeds of said tax to be applied in the following manner, to-wit:

First, For the payment of the interest upon the bonds.

Second, For redeeming the bonds.

Be it further ordained, etc., That for the purpose of holding and conducting the election on May 6, 1905, it is ordered by the town council of the town of Donaldsonville that the following places be and they are hereby designated as voting places, to-wit:

First ward—Courthouse
Second ward—Public Market.
Third ward—Babin House.

Be it further ordained, etc., That the town council of the town of Donaldsonville will in open public session on Tuesday, May 9, 1905, at the town hall at the hour of twelve o'clock proceed to open the ballot boxes, examine and count the ballots in number and amount, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the election, which result shall be promulgated by publication in one issue of the official journal of the town of Donaldsonville, and shall forward a copy of the proces verbal of the promulgation of said election to the secretary of the state of Louisiana.

Be it further ordained, etc., That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage.

GEO. H. RICHARD, Mayor.

[SEAL.] Attest:
R. HENDERSON, Secretary.

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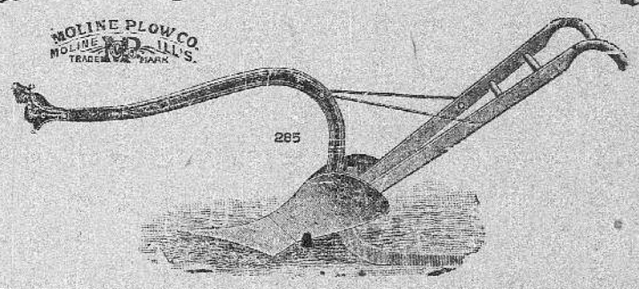

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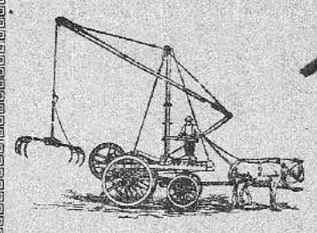

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