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and New Orleans, and in a few months will be connected with  
the river by the Belle Helene Railroad, rapidly nearing com-  
pletion.

There are now in course of construction a fine high school  
building, an ice factory and various other mercantile establish-  
ments and residences, and a bank is being organized.

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## AROUND THE STATE.

Items of Interest Culled from the  
Louisiana Press.

Disastrous Wreck on Texas and Pacific  
Railroad at Cheneyville—Westwego  
and Litcher Visited by De-  
structive Fires.

Fire destroyed the hay barn on  
Armellee plantation, Assumption parish.

The Genevieve Orphanage at Shreveport  
was destroyed by fire, entailing a  
loss of \$12,000.

Baton Rouge business men organ-  
ized a board of trade and will engage  
a salaried secretary.

The encumber crop in Plaquemines  
parish is reported to be a total failure,  
owing to the prolonged drouth.

The United Fruit Company will es-  
tablish a steamship line between New  
Orleans and Fort Barrios, Guatemala.

The Lee Lumber Company's new  
sawmill at Tioga, four miles north of  
Alexandria, has commenced opera-  
tions.

It is rumored that a syndicate of  
Kansas City investors is preparing to  
erect a grain elevator at or near  
Alexandria.

Twenty-two buildings in the Italian  
quarter of the town of Litcher were  
destroyed by fire, inflicting a loss of  
approximately \$50,000.

The supreme court of Louisiana  
sustained the constitutionality of the  
law prohibiting the offering for sale  
of the plumage of non-game birds.

A milk experiment station, the first  
of its kind in the south, will be es-  
tablished at Hammond under the joint  
auspices of state and federal officials.

There being no immediate prospect  
of rain, a number of planters in the  
vicinity of Ama are flooding their  
fields with river water by means of  
siphons.

Dr. M. F. Grosart, an erstwhile  
prominent physician and pharmacist  
of New Orleans, committed suicide at  
Mobile, Ala., by cutting his throat  
with a razor.

The taxpayers of the Terre-aux-  
Boeufs drainage district, in the par-  
ish of St. Bernard, voted to issue  
bonds for the purpose of securing  
funds to drain and irrigate lands in  
that section.

Miss Julia Elstner Rogers, of New  
Orleans, was appointed sponsor for  
the Louisiana division of the United  
Sons of Confederate Veterans, with  
Miss Belle Kahn, of Plaquemine, as  
maid of honor.

Rev. P. Van Alfen, for nine years  
pastor of St. Michael's Catholic church  
at Crowley, left recently for his former  
home in Holland, falling health hav-  
ing compelled him to abandon his  
work temporarily.

The town of Westwego, across the  
river from New Orleans, was swept by  
a disastrous fire, forty-two buildings  
being destroyed and over 200 people  
rendered homeless. The property loss  
will aggregate \$100,000.

The school board of St. Tammany  
parish increased the salaries of  
white and colored teachers in all  
grades, and adopted a resolution re-  
quiring every teacher in the parish to  
attend the monthly institutes.

A west-bound passenger train on  
the Texas and Pacific Railroad ran  
into an open switch at Cheneyville  
and was wrecked, Engineer John J.  
Covington and Fireman Mabel Kana  
being killed, and Express Messenger  
Wm. Keough seriously injured. With  
the exception of the two engineers, all  
of the coaches were derailed and  
subsequently destroyed by fire.

## If You Read This

It will be to learn that the leading med-  
ical writers and teachers of all the several  
schools of practice recommend, in the  
strongest terms possible, each and every  
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## CONTEMPORARY COMMENT.

Opinions of Leading Louisiana News-  
papers on Current Topics and Events.  
Interesting Discussions of a Va-  
riety of Subjects.

### Some Unwarranted Proceedings.

The failure of the jury to convict  
Harry Thaw of the murder of Stanford  
White was to have been anticipated.  
There were elements in the case that  
appealed strongly to the sentiment of  
the juror, and that naturally inclined  
him to unwillingness to have Thaw  
electrocuted for the murder of White.

Everywhere, the defense in a criminal  
trial has a great advantage over the  
prosecution. This probably is as it  
should be, yet it would look as if the  
dead man should have an even chance  
with his slayer, and he does not get it  
when twelve members of a jury have  
to agree.

Yet the jury system is probably the  
best available, since it is true that hu-  
man nature does not love stern and  
exact justice. We think that no one  
will question the earnestness and hon-  
esty of the prosecution of Harry K.  
Thaw. The fact that he is a rich man  
did not militate in his favor, for the  
poorest man on the continent would  
probably have escaped the electric  
chair had he been in Thaw's position.

There were extenuating circumstances,  
and whatever may be one's opinion of  
the verdict, the law itself has not fallen  
into disgrace through this trial.

On the other hand, we have had  
some recent exhibitions in Louisiana  
that are calculated, in our opinion, to  
bring the law into very great contempt.  
There was likewise an exhibition of  
this kind in Virginia in the case of the  
Strothers brothers, who murdered a  
man after having forced him to marry  
their sister. It is surprising to us  
that newspapers condoned this out-  
rage, and that Judge Harrison, who  
was sitting in the case, went far out-  
side the proprieties and congratulated  
the jury on the verdict. Even in the  
Strothers case, though, an indictment  
was found and the men were tried for  
their lives.

In New Orleans, however, a grand  
jury has recently refused to put a man  
on trial who knocked out the eye of  
another man. We do not know the  
facts in the case, except that there was  
a barroom brawl and a man's eye was  
put out, but we do contend that society  
had the right to know why a man's  
eye could be knocked out and his as-  
sault be excused.

A case far more dangerous, because  
it is more conspicuous, is that of Con-  
gressman Favrot, recently let out of  
jail by the Baton Rouge grand jury  
on the ground that he was not guilty  
of killing a man whom every one in  
the United States knows he did kill.  
It is said that he had extraordinary  
provocation for killing this man, a  
leading physician in the capital of the  
state, but what is said is rumor. More  
restraint is expected from a man who  
is a judge than from a man who is a  
private individual. More regard for  
the law is expected from a man who is  
a law-maker than from an ordinary  
citizen. Yet here was a judge elected  
to congress who not only killed an-  
other man, but whose attorneys took  
every technical advantage to prevent  
his trial. Yet the family of the dead  
man is left without father, husband  
and protector, and the state of Louisi-  
ana does not recognize that he has  
been killed.

We are not personally interested in  
the case from one side or the other,  
but it is our duty as a public journal  
to inform our readers that a contin-  
uance of this kind of business could not  
but mean that they would better do  
away with judges, with juries, with  
the expensive process of the law, and  
take care of themselves.

An unlimited amount of rot has been  
proached about the so-called unwritten  
law in the south. One would think  
that it had become an institution more  
sacred than the written law. If so, let  
us recognize it and make it written  
law, and then misapprehension will be  
out of the way as to just where a man  
does stand when he takes the oath as  
a grand juror, as a prosecuting attor-  
ney and as a judge, or when some one  
commits an unlawful act against him.  
We should like to hear from some of  
the judiciary of Louisiana on this sub-  
ject—we should like to know if we  
stand alone in our opinion that things  
of this kind are an outrage against  
civilization.—New Orleans Item.

### Adding of Public Accounts.

It is, of course, regrettable that any  
public official finds the lure of chorus  
girls and slow horses on a New Orle-  
ans "con" game race track so attractive  
that he must trench on the com-  
monwealth's alimony to gratify his  
tastes.

It is also a sad condition that the  
great state of Louisiana must go into  
court to endeavor to get back the moneys  
filched from her by trusted serv-  
ants.

Both these facts are to be deplored,  
and about them columns of editorials  
could be written on a high moral plane.

However, there are two practical  
questions involved that are urgent:

1. Does the system of state auditing  
of public accounts permit any tax col-  
lector to appropriate several million dollars.

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## THE WORLD'S NEWS.

### NEW ORLEANS LETTER.

An Incident of the Alexandria Cyclone.  
Glorious Spring Days—The New  
Postoffice, Etc.  
New Orleans, La., April 17, 1907.  
Staff Correspondence of The Chief.

The story comes from Alexandria  
that during the recent cyclone distur-  
bances there, a negro who lay asleep on  
a mattress was lifted bodily, mattress  
and all, and borne by the violence of  
the wind a remarkable distance away,  
escaping serious injury through noth-  
ing short of a miracle. The following  
day when the excitement attendant  
upon the wind-storm and its desola-  
tion had in a measure subsided, some-  
one asked the darkey if he had been  
very much afraid during the rapid  
transit journey he had been compelled  
to take.

"Yassir, Boss, yo' bet ah wuz  
skereed," replied the negro.  
"Well, but Sam," pursued his in-  
terrogator, "why should you have  
been afraid? Didn't you know the  
Lord was with you?"

"Mebbe so, Boss, mebbe so," as-  
serted Sam, gravely, "but of de Lawd  
wuz wit' me, He sho' wuz gwine some!"

These golden days with the touch  
of coolness in the air are drawing great  
crowds to the parks, and the picnic  
grounds are daily visited by throngs  
of holiday-makers. The heart of the  
small boy is made glad by means of a  
fishing line and a can of bait with  
which he loses himself in the cool  
stretch of woods at Audubon or along  
the sunny banks of the winding lake  
at City Park, and the small girl is  
likewise consumed with rapturous de-  
light because her world for the day  
has become a world rich in clover in  
which she can roll in happy abandon  
and weave wonderful wreaths for her-  
self and her dollie. Crown-ups re-  
clining under the gray-bearded oaks  
and wrapped in the content of restful  
idleness, gaze upon the transients of  
the little people with sweet understand-  
ing, and feel their own hearts stir and  
awaken to a sense of nature's lavish  
bounteousness and the ever-beautiful  
presence of spring, and smiling upon  
each other, are moved to say: "Isn't  
it good to be alive?"

Dr. Clarence E. Hutchinson has  
been named to succeed John E. Ellis,  
resigned, as superintendent of the  
Touro Infirmary.

It has been announced that work  
upon the foundations for the new post-  
office building will begin before the  
close of the present year. The struc-  
ture will cost \$1,500,000 or more.

The newest wrinkle in socks for the  
tiny followers of fashion have colored  
borders that harmonize either with  
some detail of the dress or the dress  
itself. I saw a small maiden the other  
day in an immaculately white Buster  
Brown belted with blue, and with tiny  
blue bows at her throat, in her hair  
and on her wide hat. Of course, the  
tops of her snowy little socks were  
also of a harmonizing blue. The effect  
was charming in the extreme, and this  
particular girl certainly "looked as  
fresh as morning roses dewily washed  
in dew."

The fourteenth continental congress  
of the Daughters of the American  
Revolution was held at Washington,  
D. C.

Spain proposes to expend \$16,000,  
000 annually for the next four years  
in improving her navy and sea coast  
fortifications.

Lord William Nevill, a member of  
the British aristocracy, was sentenced  
to one year's imprisonment for swin-  
dling a London pawnbroker.

The international peace conference  
held at New York during the past week  
was attended by nearly a thousand  
delegates from all parts of the world.

Welcome raises in northern and cen-  
tral Spain have broken the prolonged  
drouth and relieved the agricultural  
situation, which was becoming des-  
perate.

The fourth annual conference be-  
tween the British colonial secretary  
and the premiers of Great Britain's  
self-governing colonies was held at  
London.

A monument erected to the First  
Cavalry, U. S. V., the far-famed  
"Rough Riders" of the Spanish-  
American war, was unveiled in the  
national cemetery at Arlington, Va.

Negotiations are under way for the  
formation of a world-wide rubber  
trust by the consolidation of the  
United States and International Rub-  
ber Companies, which control vast  
sources of the raw product in Mexico  
and the Congo Free State.

The cities of Chilpancingo, Tixtla  
and Chilapa, and a score of smaller  
towns and villages in the state of  
Guerrero, Mexico, were completely de-  
stroyed by an earthquake. More than  
a hundred persons lost their lives, and  
the property damage is expected to  
aggregate several million dollars.

E. B.