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Full line of matting, matting rugs, velvet rugs, etc., just received. Best grade Japan matting, 15, 20 and 25 cents per yard. R. Henderson & Bro., Railroad avenue.

Traffic on the Red River Valley Railroad was interrupted for a period of several hours Thursday as the result of a wreck a short distance below Edenborn (Gonzales). Four box cars jumped the track, causing the north-bound passenger train to be delayed about three hours.

A communication from Plaquemine relating to the defeat of the proposed special school tax has reached The Chief, minus the signature of the author, and therefore can not be considered. Let us have your name, "Aubert," not for publication, but merely as an evidence of good faith.

Chief of Police Schaff and his subordinate officers have been instructed by Mayor Charles Maurin to notify property owners throughout the town that the municipal ordinance requiring them to keep the streets and sidewalks in front of their premises free of grass and weeds will hereafter be rigidly enforced. A word to the wise should be sufficient.

The Grandin theatre has been leased to Klaw & Erlanger, the well-known theatrical agents of New York city, for a term of one year, beginning Sept. 1, 1907. This means that next season Donaldsonville play-goers will be afforded the opportunity of witnessing many of the attractions which appear at Messrs. Klaw & Erlanger's New Orleans houses, the Tulane and Crescent. Bully for managers Grandin and Von Lotten!

The work of demolishing the plant of the erstwhile Goyer-Alliance Glucose Company, at Belle Alliance, is progressing rapidly under the direction of the Chicago Wrecking Company, which concern purchased the big establishment upon the collapse of the venture and is disposing of the mechanical equipment. A large proportion of the machinery has already been sold and removed, and the remainder is meeting with ready sale at good prices.

**Negro Shot While Resisting Arrest.**  
George Toben, a negro, was shot in the arm last Saturday night by Chief of Police Henry Schaff, Sr., while attempting to evade arrest. Toben was wanted for creating a general disturbance in the rear of town and when the chief endeavored to place him under arrest he resisted strenuously. Mr. Schaff drew his revolver and the negro made an effort to strike the weapon from the officer's hand, afterwards taking to his heels. Failing to stop when ordered to do so by Mr. Schaff, the latter fired two shots at the fleeing black, one of the bullets striking him in the lower part of the left arm and inflicting a slight flesh wound. The negro was finally captured and landed in jail.

### An Announcement.

I beg to announce to my friends and the public in general that I am now employed at Allen's Foundry, where I shall take pleasure in serving them.

ARTHUR HARTRAMPF

Referring to the above announcement, The Chief desires to congratulate Mr. Allen upon having secured the services of Mr. Harttrampf. The latter has been long and favorably known in this community as a thorough mechanic, perfectly familiar with locomotive and machinery repairs of all kinds, and is numbered among the top-notchers in his line of endeavor. With Guy Dunning as foreman, assisted by Mr. Harttrampf and an able corps of workmen, there is not a job about a railroad, sawmill, steamboat or sugarhouse that the Allen Foundry can not handle to the satisfaction of the most exacting.

### Waveland Terrace.

The Chief is in receipt of a pretty little pamphlet describing "Waveland Terrace," at Waveland, Miss., which is the property of Peter Stiff, a prominent young attorney of New Orleans, and which is now being developed and exploited by the West Virginia Land Company, who have charge of its sale for Mr. Stiff. The principal boulevard traversing the "Terrace" is known as Sobral Boulevard, being named after A. M. Sobral, of Donaldsonville, Mr. Stiff's father-in-law. This thoroughfare will have running through its centre, from the beach to the railroad, a park containing palms, flowers and shade trees, with a shell drive on either side, making it the prettiest avenue along the entire coast. It is intended that none but white families shall own property in Waveland Terrace, nor shall any trade or business be established, the idea being to make it an ideal residential section. A pier six feet wide, with twelve bath-houses for the free use of lot purchasers, is almost completed, and the entire property is being beautified. The frontage is about one thousand feet on the beach, running in depth to nearly four thousand feet.

### A Well-Known Fact Demonstrated Anew.

The expected happened with reference to the practical experiment conducted in New Orleans to demonstrate anew the well-known fact that Louisiana molasses is a healthful edible and that the sulphur fumes employed in clarification of the cane juice from which the molasses is made do not exercise the slightest harmful effect upon the human organism. The dozen negro prisoners in the city House of Detention to whom molasses was fed in liberal quantities for a period of several weeks emerged from the ordeal in a condition which is aptly described in the common vernacular of their race as "fat and easy." So far from experiencing any injurious or disagreeable effects, they all seem to have enjoyed the diet to the fullest extent, and would doubtless consider themselves fortunate if it could be continued indefinitely.

The very idea that Louisiana molasses is anything but wholesome and nutritious will appear preposterous to the people of this state, and particularly of the cane-raising sections of the commonwealth, where the condiment forms such a prominent item in the food consumption of all classes of the population, and where the percentage of ailments arising from derangement or affections of the department of the interior is probably as small as almost anywhere else in the United States.

There is no more healthful place than a Louisiana sugar factory in the grinding season, when everybody in and around the establishment chews cane and eats sugar and molasses in abundance. Persons in bad health are almost invariably improved by "making grinding," to use the familiar term, and we can assure Dr. Wiley and his colleagues of the pure food department of the government service that they are on a cold trail if they expect to find Louisiana molasses a deleterious article of human or animal diet.

Not only do human beings thrive on it, but horses, mules, cattle and other animals eat it with avidity and with marked beneficial effects. "Children cry for it," literally, and no healthier "kids" are to be found than those whose breakfast, dinner and supper foods are seasoned and saturated with this delicious and altogether desirable condiment. It is "advertised" by its loving friends, and the best of the various "infant foods" exploited so prominently by the manufacturers and their advertising agencies are not to be regarded as trotting in the same class with good old Louisiana molasses.

### Parochial Aid to the Municipal Fire Department.

The Thibodaux Commercial-Journal, in the course of an article commenting rather unfavorably on the appropriation of only \$200 by the police jury of Lafourche parish to the fund for the entertainment of the State Firemen's Association, which is to meet in Thibodaux during the month of August, says that while the local firemen were glad to get that much from the police jury, they were encouraged to expect a more liberal contribution because the same body had voted \$750 for the recent entertainment of the rivers and harbors committee.

Our down-the-bayou contemporary added: "Some seem to think that \$200 is a big amount for this purpose, but when we consider what the fire department of this town means to the protection of the property of the parish it amounts to nothing and is a poor reward for services well done. This is the first time to our recollection that the police jury of our sister parish of Ascension includes as a part of its yearly budget for the fire department of Donaldsonville the sum of three hundred dollars, besides exempting their property from parochial taxation."

The current year is by no means the first in which the police jury of Ascension has included in its annual budget of expenditures an item of \$300 for the maintenance of the Donaldsonville fire department. A like appropriation has been made annually for several years past, and the item is now regarded as a regular and legitimate part of the parochial budget. The people of the parish at large have a great deal of interest, direct and indirect, in the maintenance of an efficient fire-fighting service at the parish seat, where are located the courthouse, jail, public school-houses and a considerable proportion of the property from which the revenues of the police jury and school board are derived, hence it is entirely proper that the police jury as well as the town council should contribute something towards the cost of such a service.

In this matter, as in many others, the Ascension police jury sets an example that is well worthy of imitation by its contemporaries throughout the state.

**Sore Muscles.**  
Prominent athletes throughout the country find that the best treatment for sore muscles after severe exercise or hard work of any kind is a hot bath at bed time, which opens the pores. This should immediately be followed with an application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm vigorously rubbed into the skin. This balm removes all stiffness and soreness and has become a favorite rub down, as it acts promptly and keeps the muscles in excellent condition. For sale by all druggists.

**District Court Sustained.**  
The supreme court of Louisiana on Monday last handed down a decision affirming the findings of the twenty-seventh judicial district court in the case of Mrs. Sarah Rhodes Keating vs. John Wilber et al. Associate Justice Land, as the organ of the court, said:

"Where a party buys property from a married woman he can not, when sued by her to annul the contracts, set up that the property belonged not to her, but to the community existing between her and her husband at the time of the purchase."  
"The wife can not bind herself or property for a debt of the husband."

### Weather and Crop Notes.

The following paragraphs are borrowed from this week's Ascension letter to the Louisiana Planter:

"The planters are getting just about the kind of weather they most desire at this particular period—hot sunshine for several days and then a nice, refreshing shower, followed by more sunshine and, in course of time, another shower. These conditions could not well be improved upon and it is to be hoped they will continue indefinitely. The warm sunshine makes the cane grow at a rapid rate, but at the same time hardens the surface of the soil and renders field work extremely difficult. This is where the rain steps in and relieves the situation by drenching the parched earth, giving new life to the growing crop and enabling the field forces to make rapid progress in their work."

"Cane is showing up nicely and there is every indication that the crop will be a big one, despite the freeze, drouth and floods of recent months. Thanks to the favorable weather of the past few weeks, the plant has received a proper degree of cultivation and from this time forward should grow by leaps and bounds."

"The cotton farmers of the New River section of Ascension parish are in a sad plight, as, indeed, are cotton growers throughout the state. It is stated that even with the finest kind of weather for the remainder of the season barely half a crop can be produced, and should unfavorable conditions be encountered, or a killing frost be experienced unusually early next fall, a further shortage will be brought about. However, half a crop is better than no crop at all, and our plucky cotton farmers may be relied upon to make the best of the desperate situation and to grow all the cotton they can under the circumstances."

"W. E. Cage, the efficient superintendent of the big Belle Helene refinery, visited Donaldsonville last Monday on business and repeated the trip on Thursday. Anticipating a shortage of cars next season, Mr. Cage has a large force of men at work erecting a commodious new warehouse, which will be used for the storage of sugar when shipping facilities prove inadequate. Apart from the construction of this building, no work of any kind is going on at Belle Helene, and no new machinery will be installed this summer."

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### Bradford Behind the Bars.

An Associated Press despatch sent from New Orleans under date of Thursday, June 20, conveys the information that James L. Bradford, who with Wm. H. Wright was convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government in the matter of public land entries in the parishes of Ascension and Washington, this state, has begun to serve the sentence of two years' imprisonment in the Orleans parish jail imposed on him by the United States district court for the eastern district of Louisiana. The despatch is as follows:

"James L. Bradford, one of the most widely known lawyers practicing in land cases in the United States, and a man who for years has occupied a prominent position socially and financially in New Orleans, today began a sentence of two years in the parish prison here. Bradford and his associate, William H. Wright, were originally convicted in the United States district court here on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government in various land cases in the southwest by false entry of names. The case was taken to the United States circuit court of appeals, but the judgment of the lower court was affirmed and later a writ of certiorari was denied by the United States supreme court."

### Branch Alumni Association Organized.

On Tuesday afternoon a number of gentlemen met in the office of Hon. Henry McCall, collector of customs at the port of New Orleans, and organized the Louisiana Branch Alumni Association of Mount St. Mary's College, Emmittsburg, Maryland, the following officers being elected for the ensuing year: Henry McCall, president; Dr. Felix A. Larue, first vice president; Joseph C. Gilmore and John T. Gibbons, New Orleans; Leopold Tassin, St. John; E. Van Beary, Lafourche, and F. M. Dumartail, Avoyelles, vice-presidents; Louis D. Lagarde, New Orleans, secretary; Henry J. Ledoux, New Orleans, treasurer. There were present Messrs. Henry McCall, John C. Finney, Dr. Felix A. Larue, William Lemmonier, Joseph C. Gilmore, William J. Gilmore, E. Van Beary, Emile Kuntz, Richard McCall, Walter Stauffer, J. B. Levert, Evan J. McCall, J. T. Gibbons, Jr., and J. M. Ryan.

### Prize Presentation.

On Tuesday afternoon a committee composed of Dr. E. K. Sims, John P. Forcha, R. N. Slaton and Henry LeBlanc, representing Ascension Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, repaired to the residence of C. Kline and presented that gentleman with a handsome gold-handled umbrella, offered as a prize for the best-groomed marshal in the recent annual parade of the local fire department, and won by Mr. Kline. After the formalities of the occasion had been observed, the pretty trophy was duly christened with sparkling wine and the health of the recipient was pledged in numerous happy and appropriate toasts.

### K. of H. Elect L. E. Bentley Supreme Dictator.

The thirty-second regular and second biennial session of the supreme lodge, Knights of Honor, which convened at Atlantic City, N. J., on the 11th instant, was brought to a close during the past week by the selection of Niagara Falls as next meeting place and the election of the following officers: Supreme dictator, L. E. Bentley, Donaldsonville; vice dictator, E. C. Wood, New York; assistant dictator, S. R. Johnston, Atlanta; supreme reporter, N. M. Givan, St. Louis; supreme chaplain, A. J. Hess, Columbus, Ky.; supreme guide, J. H. Hancock, Louisville, Ky.; supreme guardian, Chris H. Ewing, Evansville, Ind.; supreme sentinel, E. S. Fletcher, Jackson, Tenn.; past supreme dictator, J. C. Sheppard, Edgefield, Pa.

Mr. Bentley has been prominently identified with the Knights of Honor in Louisiana for a number of years, and his elevation to the highest office in the gift of the order is a tribute to his conspicuous ability and faithful performance of duty that will be greatly appreciated by his brother Knights and legion of other friends and acquaintances throughout the state.

A detailed report of the proceedings of the supreme lodge will appear in a future issue of The Chief.

### How to Break Up a Cold.

It may be a surprise to many to learn that a severe cold can be completely broken up in one or two days' time. To do this, however, prompt action is necessary. The first symptoms of a cold are a dry, loud cough, a profuse watery discharge from the nose, and a thin, white coating on the tongue. When Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is taken every hour on the first appearance of these symptoms it counteracts the effect of the cold and restores the system to a healthy condition within a day or two. For sale by all druggists.

### At the Play.

"The Fatal Wedding," a four-act comedy drama, was presented at the Grandin theatre last Sunday night by the Lynnwood Stock Company, of New Orleans, and scored a distinct success. The cast was well balanced and capable, and the manner in which the production was staged left nothing to be desired. Bernard Shields' impersonation of "Toto," a French butler, was characteristically clever, and was splendidly supported by the "Bridget" of Mrs. Annie Rankin. Mrs. Shields gave an admirable portrayal of the difficult character of "Cora Williams," an adventuress, and Miss Margaret Gardner was thoroughly satisfactory as "Mabel Wilson." Joseph Mossmier's "Howard Wilson" was a fine piece of work, as was also Joseph Booth's interpretation of the thankless role of "Robert Curtis," the villain. To little Sarah Shields belongs a generous share of credit for the excellence of the performance. This little lassie achieved an artistic triumph as "Jessie Wilson, the Little Mother," and gives promise of developing into a great actress some day. The other members of the company were fully equal to the demands of their respective roles. Little Eileen Sedgwick performed a specialty stunt which also scored a big hit.

### Bodies Found in River.

The bodies of two unknown negroes were found floating in the river Thursday morning, one being picked up opposite Souvenir plantation and the other at a point near A Bend. The former was brought to Donaldsonville and after being viewed by Coroner E. K. Sims was interred in the local Protestant cemetery. The other corpse was also viewed by Dr. Sims, subsequently being buried on the river bank at A Bend. The appearance of the bodies indicated that they had been in the water for some time, and this fact gave rise to the supposition that the negroes were the same two who were drowned near Gardere several weeks ago, when young W. E. Blanchard, of Baton Rouge, also lost his life. Dr. Sims, however, does not incline to this belief, stating that in his opinion the bodies had hardly been in the water so long a time.

### He Fired the Stick.

"I have fired the walking-stick I've carried over 40 years, on account of a sore that resisted every kind of treatment, until I tried Bucklin's Arnica Salve; that has healed the sore and made me a happy man," writes John Garrett, of North Mills, N. C. Guaranteed for piles, hemorrhoids, etc., by J. J. Leche, druggist. 25c.



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