

Onachita Telegraph.

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Official Journal of the City of Monroe

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Baggage Transfer—All orders to carry baggage to boats or train given to Fred Habberyan or left at Emond's stable will receive prompt attention.

Dyeing—Clothes and other articles, except cotton, dyed black by Rouben Benson. Leave orders at Dr. Sholars drug store.

Teacher—An experienced Teacher want a situation in a school or family. Address "Teacher," Monroe, La.

MONROE, LA., NOVEMBER 1, 1885.

Beautiful weather to day.

Business in town to day is quite brisk.

Monroe is one of the best cotton markets in the South.

The iron casings of the bridge piers are receiving a coat of tar.

We regret to announce the serious illness of Mrs. Charles Bynum, who is dangerously ill with typhoid fever.

The brick side-walks around the Corner Saloon are being repaired and the shed supports strengthened.

The Oil Mill is in full operation and is running day and night, the Electric light enabling it to keep up work without inconvenience at night.

Capt. Tindel reports the stage of water in the Ouchita 18 inches above the extreme low water of 1880. A rise in the river at this port of one foot is reported and the rise is slow but steady.

Our readers attention is directed to the card of the Ouchita House which appears elsewhere in this issue. This model hotel is so well and favorably known to the traveling public that no encomium from us could add anything to its high reputation.

On and after the first prox., through sleepers will be run from Shreveport to Atlanta, Ga., and vice versa, without change. This will be of immense advantage to the traveling public and will be hailed by them with delight.

Mayor Allen requests us to say that there will be a meeting of the City Council at 7:30 p. m., Monday, and he desires a full attendance of the members as business of importance will come up, requiring a full attendance of the members in order that a proper disposition may be made of the same. Derelict Councilmen will please bear this in mind and be on hand.

The post-office will be removed next Monday week to the Allen brick building, adjoining Trousdale & Hilton's. Entire new boxes will be provided. The citizens are indebted to Mayor Allen for securing this excellent location, than which none is better suited for the purpose, it being situated in the very heart of the commercial portion of the city and is within one block of both the passenger depot and steamboat landing. Mr. I. Garrett, our new Postmaster, is also to be congratulated and we have no doubt but that the post office under his management will be conducted in the future to the satisfaction of all. The retiring postmaster, Mr. Ebnemoser, steps out with the knowledge that his administration of the office has been satisfactory to all and that, barring his politics, no complaint has been made against him that we are aware of. He has our best wishes for the future.

A Coal Yard.

The man who has some idle capital to invest and who desires to place it where it will return him a handsome profit, has only to establish at this city a coal yard or a fleet of coal barges. It is estimated that there are not less than 600 grates and coal stoves in use in this city alone; besides this there are three or four local packets that ply in the tributaries regularly during high water and which have their domicile here. Then there are through boats to New Orleans which would no doubt buy coal here could they get the coal at reasonable rates—and we cannot see why coal could not be brought to Monroe at a slight advance above what it costs to deliver it at Baton Rouge, and be sold here at or about the same price.

We ask our steamboatmen to ponder over this subject and investigate for themselves what we say. It is immaterial to us, however, who starts the coal yard, the object of this article being merely to call attention to what amounts to an almost absolute need, and we earnestly hope that the attention of interested parties may be attracted to this item.

Mayor Allen has at last received from the railroad company a deed to the triangular lot, fronting the old Monroe Cemetery, which he should have received when the deeds were passed some time ago, but, as he himself says: "It is better late than never" we agree with him. The railroad company gives up all claims to possession.

Railroad Items.

Messrs. Bond, President Schiff, vice president Gault, Gen. Manager Carrol, Gen. Superintendent Jas. Meehan Supt bridge and building department: Machinery and Motive power, and Major Belknap, will be over on a special train at about 2 o'clock to day on their way to Shreveport inspecting the road &c.

The west bound passenger train which was late on the 28th was delayed by leaving Delta 8 hours late, having also waited for the V. & M. train and jumped the track at 23 mile siding, west of Girard. No damage resulted.

Under the new Schedule the West bound passenger train will leave Delta at 2 p. m. and arrive at Monroe at 6:35 p. m. The East bound train leaves Shreveport at 2 a. m. arrives at Monroe at 6:45 a. m. and arrives at Delta at 11:25 a. m., making close connection at Vicksburg with mail trains of the V. & M. Road.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation, and a complimentary ticket, to attend the fair of the Vicksburg Fair Association, which opens November 10th and continues three days.

The New York Court of Appeals has just rendered a decision of interest to business men and banking establishments. The facts in the case were these: A business man, going away for a brief absence, dated a check payable to the order of his book-keeper two days ahead, and told the book-keeper if he had not returned by noon of the day of the date to draw the money for use in his business. The book-keeper changed the date from the 22d of the month to the 21st, and on that day drew the money and ran away. The signature was genuine, the amount was unchanged, the indorsement was correct, but the court held that the alteration of the date amounted to forgery, and that the check thus altered gave the bank no authority to pay the money. The amount was therefore recovered, and the bank had to bear the loss. The New York Times, commenting editorially upon the decision, says: "This looks like a hardship, if not an injustice, for the bank. If the drawer of the check had not returned on the 22, the dishonest book-keeper might then have presented the check and it would have been genuine. He might have made away with the money and it would have been his employer's loss. By his haste and the change of a figure in the date the loss was thrown upon the bank. The theory of the decision seems to be that the check was an order for the payment of the money on a particular date, and did not authorize its payment on some other date, at least not on an earlier date. It is a common practice among business men, and almost a necessary practice, thus to date checks ahead and leave them for the use of trusted employes. They sometimes sign them in blank and leave the amount and date to be filled in by another hand as the exigencies of their business may require. Is the filling out of such a check, where no specific authority is shown, a forgery? If only the date is left blank, can it be filled by the clerk without invalidating the check? These questions are naturally suggested by the decision in this case, and they suggest the risks which banks may run every day in paying checks which bear no indication of change or of fraudulent purposes."

Secretary Whitney will add a new ball-room to his Washington residence. The social feature is not to be neglected by this administration.

The Chinese are said to be swarming into Alaska.

In Massachusetts pneumonia has, since 1857, grown almost twice as fast as the population.

THE MONROE MARKETS.

[Corrected Daily by S. Meyer.]

Sugar, W. C. 9

" Choice Lard 12 1/2

Coff. e. choice 75

Syrup new crop 8

Rice, choice 6

" good 3.50

Flour, Fancy Patent 7.00

" Blanch Fancy 6.50

" Eagle Steam 6.50

" Choice XXX 5.50

Pork, Mess 12 1/2

D. S. Shoulders 7 1/2

D. S. C. Sides 7 1/2

Bacon, C. Sides 7 1/2

Lard, House 4

Soap, Keller 3.00

Starch 3.50

Nails 3.75

Tobacco 40

Bagging, 2 lb. 12 1/2

Arrow Root 1.50

Shot, sack 1.75

Grits 8 1/2

Coal Oil, per gal. 25

Salt, coarse 1.50

" fine 1.75

Dried Apples 10

" Apples, Fancy 5.50

Mackerel, No. 1, kil. 1.25

Lard, House 4

Cheese, Full Cream 18

" Western 12 1/2

Potatoes, large bbl. 2.50

" Onions 3.50

Sauces, 3 lb., per doz. 1.75

Tomatoes 1.75

Axle Grease, per doz. 1.00

Lemons 5.50

Powder 30 c.

[Corrected Daily by Winchester Hall.]

COTTON.

Good middling 9

Middling 8 1/2

Low middling 8

Good 8 1/2

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

Mrs. S. F. HEAD, vs. ROBERT RICHARD-

SON, No. 173—The State of Louisi-

ana, Parish of Ouachita, Fifth District

Court.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued

by the Hon. Fifth District Court, in and for

the Parish of Ouachita, and to me directed

in the above entitled and numbered suit,

I have seized and taken into my possession,

and will sell at public auction, between

legal hours of sale, to the last and highest

bidder, at the door of the Court House in

the City of Monroe, La., on

Saturday, 7th Day of November, 1885,

the following property to-wit:

A certain lot of ground with residence

and other improvements thereon, in

Monroe, La., situated at the south west

corner of square No. 12, fronting 150

feet, more or less, on Washington street,

and 160 feet, more or less, on Second street;

also another lot of ground in rear of the

above described lot fronting 65 feet on

Second street and running back between

parallel lines 150 feet, between the property

of Mrs. Millon and the lot above described,

acquired from R. W. Janison as per deed

recorded in Notarial Book T folio 90,

Records of this Parish.

Seized as the property of defendant, and

will be sold to satisfy said writ and costs.

Terms of Sale—Cash, with the benefit of

appraisal.

J. E. McGUIRE, Sheriff.

Saturday, October 3, 1885.

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