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## FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

The Hon. A. S. HERRON, is announced today in due form as a candidate for the office of Attorney General of Louisiana. This gentleman is so well and widely known in our State, from his popular personal qualities, his profound legal qualifications and the various positions of high distinction he has occupied in the legislative and executive branches of the government, that it becomes needless on our part to speak more extensively of his merits on this occasion. We would simply remark in conclusion, that we consider him preëminently the "man for the place," and hope to see him, (as we believe he will be,) elected to fill it.

## AN OLD CITIZEN SHOT.

We learn that Mr. L. P. McAULEY, residing near Port Hudson, was shot a few days ago, by a negro man whom he had hired to work on his place.

The facts connected with this tragic occurrence, as far as we have learned them are, that the negro was engaged in killing a beef, and Mr. McAULEY, walked out to the spot to see what was going on, when his assailant turned upon him with a gun and fired its contents, consisting of a load of buckshot, into the left breast of the unfortunate man, producing a wound, which it is feared must prove mortal.

Mr. McAULEY, is a man of family, and one of the oldest and most respectable citizens of our parish.

When are we to cease having to chronicle these deeds of bloody crime?

## THE COTTON SHEDDING.

We understand that on some of the cotton farms in our parish the lice have made their appearance, and that the leaves and forms of the plant are shedding profusely. A very serious diminution of the crop is apprehended in consequence. A good shower of rain would tend greatly to arrest the evil complained of.

A drouth has been prevailing in this region which could it only be made to disappear under the refreshing influences of a little rain occasionally, would be a genuine relief to both animal and vegetable creation.

The steamer *Bella Donna*, with 556 bales of cotton, struck a log or stump on the 12th inst., about 140 miles below Shreveport, and sank to her cabin floor. Boat a total loss. Passengers and crew saved and taken to New Orleans on the *Ida May*. So says the *Pica yune*, of the 15th.

The splendid steamer *Ruth* has been sold to the Atlantic & Mississippi Steamship Company for two hundred thousand dollars cash. This, says the *St. Louis Republican*, is the largest price that has ever been paid for a steamer on Western waters.

Twelve hundred miles of the Atlantic telegraph cable had been laid up to the 2d instant. The depth of water at that time was two miles and a half. Insurance on the cable had advanced to double previous rates. Shares had declined heavily.

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The cholera has made its appearance at Valencia, (Spain), and at Gibraltar.

## Business and Pleasure.

There is a medium, or at least there should be, in all things pertaining to the business or pleasure indulgences of mankind. It is a wholesome and happy philosophy which teaches us to adapt our minds to the varied circumstances of life, and to find contentment in whatever sphere our star of destiny may lead us in its changeable orbit; to labor earnestly in those occupations of life necessary to corporeal and mental existence, but not so incessantly, as to overtask the powers; to seek fitting opportunities for relaxation in the genial and invigorating amusements and exercises of outdoor as well as indoor sports; and occasionally to engage the mind in those ennobling contemplations of nature's handiwork, "apart from public haunts," by which it.

"Finds sermons in stones, books in the running brooks, And good in everything."

We have been led into the above reflections, from observing the disposition evinced by numbers of our friends in this vicinity, to relieve themselves of the cares and perplexities of business by an occasional indulgence in those rustic pastimes which give zest to life, by adding to its sum of happiness.

Of late, we have heard of several very pleasant reunions in the country, in which the denizens of our city joining hands with those of the "rural districts," have "let loose the reins of fancy" and in a sort of *fête champêtre* style, mingled in the "misty mazes of the dance," and like Goldsmith's worthy pair, sought

By holding out to the each other down,  
Sometimes by way of variety, these parties affect the piscatorial character, and tie themselves to the banks of the beautiful Amite, there to entice the finny tribe with hook and line, and befool them into an exchange of their native element for one which partakes more of the "earth earthy." Then come the "fish-fries," and all that pleasant little chit-chat, which, during the angling process had to be suppressed or at best, only indulged in, *sub rosa*.

We learn that a large gathering from town and country is looked for to-day at the plantation of Mr. Henry Castle, where, for the nonce, it is intended to cast off the restraints of business, banish dull care and participate in a round of pleasurable exercises suited to the occasion. There will be sport for the disciples of "old Izaak Walton," who with rod and reel equipped, may indulge their propensity for angling, *ad libitum*. The devotees of Terpsichore will hold alternate sway in the gay and festive dance, and many pleasant little interviews between maid and lover will doubtless help to fill up the pleasant intervals of the programme.

Well, it is right in this work-a-day world of ours, that these innocent and healthful recreations should occur from time to time.—They cause us to forget for a while our cares and troubles, and brace the energies for a more vigorous prosecution of those mental and physical labors involved in the sterner pursuits of life. "*Vive la bagatelle!*"

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## SAFETY OF JUDGE PERKINS.

We copied a few weeks since a paragraph from the *Galveston News*, intimating the probability that the Hon. John Perkins, Jr., of this State, had been robbed and murdered on the road from San Antonio to Eagle Pass. It affords us much pleasure to say that there was no foundation in fact for the rumor, so far as it related to the alleged death of Judge Perkins, although it turns out to be unfortunately true that he was robbed and that his two guides were killed. Our intelligence is gleaned from a brief communication which was addressed to the editor of the *Houston News*, and published in that paper of the 3d.

The editor remarks that his correspondent is a gentleman entirely reliable, and that he writes from San Antonio under date of July 26th. The communication is as follows:

"In your paper of the 24th inst., I observe an announcement of the probable murder and robbery of the Hon. John Perkins, Jr., of Louisiana. This announcement may give uneasiness to many of his friends in this State and Louisiana.

"A few days since I received a letter from Judge Perkins at Piedras Negras, stating he had arrived there safe in person, but that he had been robbed on the road of two hundred dollars in gold, and that his two guides were killed."

PRISONS AND THINGS.—Past all doubt there are laws governing this world of humanity, over which man with all his sovereignty has no control. One of them very clearly written, is this: "The man who lives by violence, must die by violence." So is the Almighty edict, that the nation that lives by the sword, shall perish by the sword. Notwithstanding the well-known existence of the law from the beginning, coupled with the fact that the world has existed some six thousand years or more, still the principal occupation and amusement of mankind has been and still is, "killing each other," to settle questions over which they have no control. The great drama of the French revolution affords a picturesque and beautiful illustration of the fact. The very man who invented the guillotine lost his head by it, and they who used it on others, when they had the power, found themselves under the blade towards their latter ends. All the refined instruments of modern torture—the exercises of what is miscalled "Christian civilization" have been turned against their inventors and discoverers.

The Parish Prison in this city, affords a beautiful illustration. Years ago when that building was erected, the editor of this newspaper thought it his duty to examine the plan and watch the progress of the work. He remonstrated with the Police Jury and Parish authorities about an inquisitorial box, called a dungeon, in the center of the building, from which the air and sunlight of heaven were excluded, and into which there was no entrance except by a trap-door on the second floor of the building. In doing so, he not only called down on his head the vengeance of the President and members of that body, but the malediction of the *Baton Rouge Gazette*, at that time in the employ of the Jury as public printer. This venerable old institution hampooned us as severely as the Knight of La Mancha did the wind-mill, and with a like effect. We contended then as we do now, that all the virtuous public had a right to demand was security for the culprit, and there was no warrant in this to exclude from him fresh air and the sunlight. The first man placed in this dungeon died there with the yellow fever, and the question to this day is unanswered as to his guilt. After the excitement was over with the papers and it was found impossible to get the jailer or any of his employees to go down to feed the prisoners or invite them out to be hanged, a door was cut in the wall which fronts the main entrance. In the early part of the war just ter-

minated some of the very parties who advocated this black hole were placed in it by the military authorities and it is hardly to be wondered at that they complained of the want of accommodation and they found it even with the airy iron door rather a cruel place to put a man into on mere suspicion and before condemnation. We have had the pleasure to meet some of these gentlemen since, and can very safely say for them that they have modified their views in reference to prisons and things and have had brought home to them that elegant aphorism of our Master, "it is good to do towards others as we would be done by."

## DEFERRED TELEGRAMS.

The following dispatches are gleaned from Western papers:

**Terrible State of Affairs in Virginia, &c.**  
New York, August 8.—The *Tribune's* Richmond correspondent says the evil spirit of men have been let loose upon us since the unceremonious and justly deserved fate of the late election was pronounced. Young men, citizens, feel it a duty incumbent upon them to assault and waylay every colored man, while the older have universally adopted the plan of fighting our soldiers, at the same time hissing in their ears the bitterest denunciations of the negro.

The most stringent orders of Gen. Terry are made public.

Among the volunteers the greatest dissatisfaction exist consequent on poor rations, proverbially worse than such as were issued to those distributed to Gettysburg, and not being paid off. Six or eight months pay is now due. No quartermaster stores to draw, and dubious expectations in not being mustered out—they are found willing, in the hands of bad and disloyal men, who ply the whiskey freely, to undertake and execute most any job.

**Davis and Clay Shake Hands.**  
New York, August 7.—The *Fortress* Monroe correspondent of the *Petersburg Index* says Jeff. Davis and C. C. Clay met for the first time since their confinement a few evenings ago on the ramparts of Fort Monroe. It has been customary to have them promenade at different hours, but this time, by some error, they were out at the same time. Mr. Clay extended his hand, saying he presumed they would be allowed to shake hands, if not converse. There being no objection by the officers, they clasped hands with fervor, but no word was uttered.

Jeff. Davis's health is said to be rapidly improving, in consequence of daily open air walks in which he is now indulging.

**The "Mysterious Prisoner" from Another Point of View.**  
Cairo, Aug. 7.—It is stated that John S. Ryan, the mysterious prisoner, now in the Old Capitol prison at Washington, is a printer by profession, and previous to the war published a newspaper in Pine Bluff, Ark. He served as Captain in the rebel army, and was afterwards employed as chief detective in the Trans-Mississippi Department of the Confederate army. Upon Ryan's arrest, when arrested, several various documents, which implicated parties of much more prominence than himself in crimes of a high order.

**Gen. Butler a Gallant Among Rebel Widows—Rebels' Effervescence to be Kept Cooled for a While.**  
New York, August 7.—The *Herald's* Washington special has the following: The object of Gen. Butler's recent visit to Washington proves to have been to secure the pardon of Mrs. Rlocum and other ladies of New Orleans. The pardons were obtained on Friday evening. Gen. Butler left for New York on the evening train. He was unable to obtain an interview with the President during his stay.

**Davis's Scattered Coin Gathered Up—The Rebels Suppressed—Robbery by Soldiers.**  
New York, August 7.—The *Savannah Herald* has the following items: Capt. Carter arrived from Augusta on the 2d, in charge of \$30,000 in silver, and \$2000 in gold, said to have been scattered by Jeff. Davis upon his flight near the residence of Howell Cobb.

Augusta papers contain the following items:

The *Augusta Transcript*, edited by Jos. Ellis, formerly of Albany, N. Y., was suspended a day or two for printing a communicated obituary notice from a rebel soldier.

A portion of the 12th Ohio Cavalry, under the influence of liquor, had robbed and destroyed goods in Florence, S. C., valued at \$3000.

**Good Advice from Wade Hampton.**  
New York, August 7.—The *Columbia* (S. C.) *Phoenix* has a letter from Wade Hampton, discouraging an idea of emigration, which, it seems, a number of his friends have entertained and asked his advice on. He advises them to devote their energies to the work for restoring law, order, agriculture, commerce, &c., and recommends all who can do so to take the oath of allegiance. He tells them to select for their coming convention the best and truest men—not those who have skulked in the hour of danger, nor those who have worshipped Mammon while their country was bleeding at every pore, nor the politicians, who, after urging war, dared not enter its hardships, but those who gave their all at the altar of their country.

The *Post's* Washington special says: The receipts of the Treasury from Internal Revenue Saturday were upwards of a million dollars.

TORONTO, C. W., Aug. 9.—Gen. Grant, and suite arrived on a special train from Montreal this morning, and immediately departed on a steamer for Niagara Falls. A large crowd assembled at the railroad depot, although his arrival was not generally known, and an impromptu hand-shaking took place. Then there was a call upon the General for a speech, but to this call he replied with a smile and shake of his head.

About the Rebel Gen. Hill—Prize Money—Dr. Breckinridge and Ex-Gov. Wickliffe at Washington.

WASHINGTON, August 9.—The rebel Gen. Hill, committed to the workhouse several days ago for indecent and disorderly conduct, has been released, two mechanics having paid his fine.

The prize money from about 500 naval captures is announced for distribution at the Fourth Auditor's bureau.

Rev. Dr. Breckinridge is here to secure, as is understood, the pardon of one of his rebel sons.

Ex-Gov. Wickliffe, of Louisiana, is hard at work trying to secure the pardon of his brother-in-law, Senator Yulee, of Florida, who is confined at Fort Pulaski.

## WHITE VS. BLACK LABOR.—The Interests of the Planter and the Negro Indissoluble.—The interests of the black and white races of the South are indissoluble.

The one race cannot prosper unless the other prospers also. Than the Southern whites no other people in the world so fully appreciate the many good points in the character of the colored man; no other people have a kinder feeling—in multitudes of cases amounting to a sincere affection—for the negro; no other class are more deeply interested in promoting his happiness and material well-being. The best friend of the negro is he who best understands him. He always receives his worst treatment from strangers. The riots which we hear of now, occur between the Northern soldiers and the blacks. These convicts are rapidly pervading the Southern community, and good and capable men are earnestly considering how best to promote the present and permanent interests of the freed race. The opinion is gaining ground that this will make the best peasant race any country ever possessed; and that as the negro has, by contract with civilization, gradually become elevated, from the idle chattering savage of the Gold Coast to the intelligent and laborious colored man which we now see him; so, in his new condition of freedom, he may be still elevated gradually from the best peasant in the world, in many cases to a thriving, industrious, order-loving and useful citizen. It is certainly the interest of the white Southern race to contribute all in their power to the intellectual, moral and material improvement of the colored race.

No man of right feeling, and of clear discernment, no statesman of enlarged policy or comprehensive vision, can contemplate with any pleasure—with anything but horror—the prospect of the gradual extermination of the colored race. It would be a lasting disgrace to the white race of the South, if, even now, when they are relieved from individual responsibility for its welfare, they, as a society, should suffer a race which they have protected and profited by so many centuries to perish from neglect, unthrift, want and vice. We boldly proclaim that it is not the desire of the former slaveholding population, at least of Virginia, that such a fate should overtake this hitherto faithful people. They desire, on the contrary, that these people shall prosper and improve in condition; and they would consider it a disgrace to Southern society if this parasite community, endowed with so many excellent capabilities, should dwindle and perish under the blasting influence of our own contact—as they are reported to have done under the hand of new and false friends in Louisiana.

The agricultural people of Virginia disavow all such feelings toward the negro. They mean to do all in their power to help and prosper him in the world. They mean to keep watch over his false friends, many of whom come to deceive, mislead, and ruin him, either through design, or mistaken zeal in his behalf, or ignorance of his real requirements.—*Richmond Republic.*

## The New Orleans Evening Times of Tuesday, says:

"A communication from P. M. General Demison to Gov. Wells conveys the gratifying intelligence that arrangements have been made for conveying the mails along the route of the Jackson railroad as far as Canton, on the Opelousas railroad to Brashear, and on the route from Baton Rouge to Rosedale. Other routes will be opened as soon as possible, and bids are solicited. This looks like reconstruction."

## DIED.

At her late residence, on the Highlands, on the 15th instant, Mrs. ELIZABETH AUCCIN, aged about 70 years.

## A CARD.

This undersigned hereby returns his most sincere and grateful thanks to those persons who so kindly lent their assistance in helping to recover the body of his little son, who was drowned on Monday last; also, to the citizens generally of Baton Rouge, who have manifested so much sympathy for himself and family on account of the sad bereavement, which this sudden and overwhelming affliction has brought upon them.

A. BAUMSTARK.

## DUNN & HERRON, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, COURT HOUSE SQUARE, Baton Rouge, La.

WILL attend to all business in their profession entrusted to them, in this and the adjoining parishes, and in the city of New Orleans.

Dr. D. M. BROWN, Homeopathic Physician & Surgeon, (LATE OF ST. LOUIS, MO.)

RESPECTFULLY offers his professional services to the citizens of Baton Rouge and vicinity. He is in the office of the Hon. J. C. CHARLOTTE, at the "Central House."

# CANDIDATES.

TO CANDIDATES.—Candidates for office need occasionally to be reminded that we insert no announcements, unless accompanied with the printer's fee of \$10. We have on hand a goodly number of names which have been left at our office to be announced in the foregoing connection, but until our old-established rates are complied with, the parties concerned cannot receive the benefit of a standing announcement in our columns.

## FOR ATTY. GENERAL.

Mr. Editor—You will please announce Hon. ANDREW S. HERRON, of East Baton Rouge, as a candidate for the office of Attorney General of the State of Louisiana, at the approaching election.

MANY FRIENDS.

## FOR SHERIFF.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce H. V. BABIN, Esq., as a candidate for Sheriff of the Parish of East Baton Rouge at the approaching Election.

MANY FRIENDS.

Mr. Editor—Please state, that at the request of many of his friends, ALFRED DUPLANTIER, Esq., has consented to become a candidate for the Sheriffship of the Parish of East Baton Rouge.

MANY FRIENDS.

Mr. Editor—You will please announce THOMAS F. HERNANDEZ, Esq., as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of East Baton Rouge, at the forthcoming November election.

VOX POPULI.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce the present incumbent, EDWARD COUSINARD, for re-election to the office of Sheriff of East Baton Rouge, at the approaching November election.

VOX POPULI.

## FOR CLERK.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce in your paper the name of JOSEPH NEPLER the present efficient Clerk, for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Fifth Judicial District, at the approaching November election.

MANY FRIENDS.

## FOR RECORDER.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce JOHN M'GRATH as a candidate for Parish Recorder, at the approaching election.

MANY FRIENDS.

Editors of the *Gazette and Comet*—You are authorized to announce WILLIAM HUBBS, Esq., as a candidate for the office of Recorder for the Parish of East Baton Rouge. He will be supported by

NUMEROUS FRIENDS.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce WILLIAM MONGET, Esq., as a candidate for Recorder at the approaching November election.

MANY VOTERS.

Mr. Editor—You are authorized to announce SAMUEL SKOLFIELD, Esq., as a candidate for the office of Parish Recorder at the ensuing election.

MANY OLD FRIENDS.

## FOR ASSESSOR.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce JOHN F. PIKER, Esq., as a candidate for the office of Parish Assessor at the approaching November Election.

NUMEROUS SUPPORTERS.

Mr. Editor—Please announce as a candidate for the office of Parish Assessor of East Baton Rouge, Mr. STEPHEN J. YOUNG, and oblige his

FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS.

Messrs. Editors—Please announce Mr. CHARLES VERBOIS, as a candidate for the office of Parish Assessor, at the approaching November election.

MANY FRIENDS.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

### I. O. O. F.

The Regular Weekly Meeting of THE SOTO LODGE, No. 7, I. O. O. F., is held at their Hall, on Main street, nearly opposite the Sumter House, every THURSDAY EVENING, at half-past 7 o'clock.

## FOR SALE.

A COMFORTABLE family residence, situated on Main Street, opposite the Female Orphan Asylum. A bargain may be had if disposed of immediately. By applying to

H. W. JOLLY, On the premises.

## FOR RENT.

A NUMBER of unfurnished rooms, large and small, suitable for single lodgers or small families. Situation extremely eligible.

For particulars, apply to the Editor of *Gazette and Comet*.

## WANTED TO RENT.

A HOUSE (furnished or unfurnished, (furnished preferred), for a small family. Situation near the Barracks preferred. Address F. OTTO, at his store, corner of Third and Laurel streets, stating locality and terms of rent.

## MASONIC REGALIAS.

MASTER MASON'S APRONS, ROYAL ARCH APRONS AND SASHES. A nice assortment, just received and for sale by

JULIUS C. BOGEL.

## NOTICE.

THE Tax-Payers of the Parish of East Baton Rouge are hereby notified, that I have deposited in the Parish Assessor's Office, at the Court House, in the city of Baton Rouge, the Tax Roll for the year 1864, in order that any person aggrieved by such assessment may, within thirty days, appeal and have the same corrected if found incorrect. JAMES H. KENNEDY, Assessor.

BATON ROUGE, August 10th, 1865.

## Administrator's Notice.

ALL persons having claims against the succession of Henry Droz, deceased, are hereby notified to present them duly authenticated, to the undersigned Administrator, within the time prescribed by law for settlement. J. C. CHARLOTTE, Administrator.

## CORN AND OATS.

ANOTHER arrival just stored, and at a reduction in prices.

JOSHUA BEAL.