

THE DEMOCRAT.

EDWARD J. PULLEN, Editor. SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 25, 1858.

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NOTICE.

All communications intended for the "Pointe Coupee Democrat," should be addressed to False River Post Office. Persons writing to us will please make a note of this.

We are requested to give notice that all letters and documents for the Sheriff of this Parish, should be addressed to him at False River P. O. La., as a matter of convenience to him, as this P. O. is situated at the seat of Justice.

EXAMINATION.—The monthly examination at Poydras College will take place on Friday, October 1st. The public generally are invited to attend.

"Reflections on an old watch," will have to lay over until our next issue. They will lose nothing by the delay.

MAINE ELECTION.—The Republicans have carried the State for Governor by a reduced majority. The Democrats have gained one member of Congress.

DISTRICT COURT.—Our District Court has been in session since last Monday. We notice a large number of Attorneys in attendance from our sister parishes, and the city of New Orleans. Much business has already been disposed of. The Grand Jury made their report on Thursday, and presented a number of Bills of indictment.

For murder, 1; shooting with intent to commit murder, 2; stealing, 4; stealing slaves, 1; selling liquor to slaves, 6; ignored bills for murder, 2.

William Cooney, mate of the steam boat Woodford, accused of murder, was discharged, no witnesses having appeared against him. With a large civil docket, and the great number of criminal cases, the Court will continue its session for three weeks more, at least.

Assessment of the Parish of Pointe Coupee for the year 1858.

Table with columns for Land in Cultivation (1858), Productions (Hogsheads of Sugar, Barrels of Molasses, etc.), and Values of various items like Slaves, Horses, and Cattle.

DEATH OF LAURENT J. SIGUR.—The numerous friends of the late L. J. Sigur will hear with profound grief of his demise. For months past he has been in a declining state, and breathed his last when on a visit to the Bladen Springs, in hopes of restoration. He was a gentleman of undoubted energy of character, of strong will, varied talents, and strong friendships and antipathies. A lawyer by profession, he became an editor and proprietor of a newspaper from strong political tendency, and in both capacities evinced ability of a high order.—[True Delta, 22d.]

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY.

The Grand Jury for the September term respectfully report: That they have examined the Parish prison and find its condition such at the present moment, that it amounts to a nuisance. This is attributable not to the Jailor, but to the faulty construction of the jail itself; it being much too small, badly ventilated and insecure for the number of prisoners at present confined therein. The Grand Jurors also complain that slaves and white persons are confined together in the same cell. The books of the Parish Treasurer were examined and found to be correct. Signed JAMES VIGNES, Foreman.

New Orleans Correspondence.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 17, 1858. EDITOR OF THE DEMOCRAT.—The plague is still with us, and the pageantry of death is seen in nearly every street. Those who are well have plenty to do, and to the praise of this great city, willing hearts and ready hands are found to minister unto the needy and the stranger.

An article or two has appeared in the papers, being on the one hand a statement of facts by the Chairman of the "Young Men's Christian Association," and an answer thereto by "Howard." The answer, perhaps, was uncalculated for, all know that both the Howard Association and the Young Men's are nobly aiding the unfortunate.

In a great work of charity, self should be lost sight of. Some have even gone so far as to ascribe sectarian feeling to the first named Association. This is wrong. We should ever be careful to impugn the motives of others unless good reason can be shown. Men are too prone to caste reproach upon those who act from religious motives, but did we strive more and more to imitate the example of Christ, there would be a better feeling abroad. It is the easiest thing in life, to see notes in the eye of our brethren, but the very hardest to see the beam in our own. The Grecian was right who said: "men carry two bags, one behind, the other before them. In the former we put our own faults, in the latter the faults of our neighbor." This is not only good Greek, but pure English, also.

What's the use of your citizens wrangling about the honor of this or that man's labors in the construction of your public works? There should be no question in the public mind as between the merits of Mr. M. or Mr. Van W. If their efforts were productive of good, enjoy the fruits thereof. They acted to the best of their judgment, and by doing so only performed their duty. The fact is, perhaps, that the question was not agitated with a view to better the condition of things, but simply to create a very small amount of political capital.

My friends just go to work, put your levees, roads, culverts, and drains in good order, and when all is done, have a grand Barbecue, shake hands and go home.

The business season has opened with fair prospects. Cotton planters may fall short in their expectations, but as prices are, have no just cause for complaint.

Absentees have not yet returned, and the probability is, that unless there is a decided improvement in the health of the city soon, the annual influx of citizens and strangers will be deferred for two or three weeks or more yet. To my country friends let me say, stay at home until matters get better. It is bad policy to beard the contagion, for a mere trifle. INDAMORA.

FALSE ALARM.—The rumor, current on last Thursday, of a case of yellow fever at the Boudeau House, was very happy to state was without the slightest foundation. Persons in attendance at Court need have no fears of visiting the Hotel as there has been nothing resembling yellow fever there.

REVIEW OF THE MARKETS.

New Orleans, Sept. 22, '58. SUGAR.—The market was very dull and the sales were confined to a few small lots at 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 for Fair to fully Fair.—Three hogsheads of the new crop, the first of the season, were received from Murrell's Tallyho plantation, Iberville parish, consigned to C. Tate & Co. They are dry and of good color and grain, and are held at 10 1/2 per lb. MOLASSES.—Very dull, and some lots offered at lower rates. A lot of 20 hhds choice new crop, received from Murrell's Tallyho plantation, was sold at 38c per gallon.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 7.—The cotton market closed with an advancing tendency. All qualities had advanced 1-16d.

The health of our parish up to this date, we are glad to say, on the best medical authority, is good. No case of yellow fever as yet has appeared in the parish.

POLICE JURY.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Police Jury met this day, 20th September, 1858. Present—Messrs. R. I. Barrow, C. G. Pickett, H. G. Callihan, David Gay, C. F. McRae, J. Moebius, L. Chedevort, C. Poydras, P. O. Lebeau, J. B. Major, P. Bonnachaud, and Dr. V. Peyton.

P. Randolph, member lately elected from the 8th Ward, came forward and being sworn took his seat. The committee appointed to examine the report of the Parish Treasurer made their report, and on motion the report was read and adopted.

On motion of R. I. Barrow, Resolved, That the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Police Jury be amended so as to read as follows: Provided, that in the 9th and 8th District the right of killing all hogs from beyond the enclosure of the plantation of their owners, will apply only to hogs found on the front of said plantation.

The report of the committee appointed to make an estimate of the cost of erecting a levee upon the lands of Messrs. J. & W. N. Lindsey was read, and on motion of C. Poydras, said report was laid on the table. Those who voted in favor of the motion were Messrs. Poydras, Lebeau, Bonnachaud, Chedevort, Peyton, Randolph, and Major, and those who voted against it were Messrs. Barrow, Callihan, Gay, Pickett, Moebius and McRae.

The report of the committee appointed to make an estimate of the cost of building the six bridges on the road leading from Williamsport along Bayou Lettsworth, was read, and on motion of J. Moebius, seconded by C. Poydras to lay the report on the table, the yeas and nays were called, it appeared that Messrs. Pickett, Moebius, Chedevort, Poydras, Lebeau, Major, Peyton, and Bonnachaud, voted to lay the report on the table, and Messrs. Barrow, Callihan, Gay, McRae, and Randolph, voted against it. The report was laid on the table.

On motion of John Moebius, Resolved, That the resolution passed on the 7th December, 1857, making public works of all bridges having 35 feet, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that no bridges shall be considered as public works except those fixed and made public by the Police Jury regulations, adopted 27th October, 1856.

Messrs. Pickett, Callihan, McRae, Moebius, Chedevort, Poydras, Lebeau, Major, Bonnachaud, Randolph, and Peyton, voted in favor of the above resolution. Messrs. Barrow and Gay voted against it.

The report of the committee appointed to examine the work necessary to the Racconnet Levee, was read and accepted, and, On motion of J. Moebius, Resolved, That C. G. Hale, Parish Surveyor, be ordered to make a survey and estimate of the number of cubic yards which are necessary to be made on the public levees and embankments of this parish, with the assistance of the committee appointed for each of said public levee, and that he make a report to the Police Jury of the works to be made on each of the public levee, and that a sum of two hundred dollars be allowed as a salary for the said services; said surveys to be made within fifteen days from the date of publication.

Resolved, That in case of non-acceptance by Mr. Hale, or that he cannot attend to the surveys, the committee be authorized to appoint a surveyor provided that in any case the compensation does not exceed Fifty dollars for each of the surveys.

The committee appointed to assess the damages sustained by Clemente Enete, by the destruction of part of his property, for public purposes, made their report; said report allowing Mr. Enete, \$250, was adopted.

The report of the committee appointed to estimate the value of the land in front of the Court House was read, and, On motion of C. Poydras,

Resolved, That the tract of land in front of the Court House between the road and the river, be sold at auction after fifteen days notice, by the Parish Treasurer, who is hereby authorized to pass and sign in the name of the Police Jury, such act as will convey a title to the purchaser, and under the special condition that no Cabaret, Grog-shop, coffee house or store house be erected on said lot by the purchaser, or any other persons possessing under him, and from him, and that it shall not be adjudicated under the price specified by the committee, and for cash, and also under the condition of leaving a lane twenty feet at the upper part of the tract.

The resignation of Mr. J. B. Bergeron, one of the committee appointed to assist the Inspector of the Island Levee, was accepted and Mr. Evariste Bertonier appointed in his place.

On motion of C. C. Pickett, Resolved, That H. J. Richards, D. N. Dickey, C. C. Pickett, Brooks and A. W. Ballard be authorized as Commissioners to let out the contract for building a levee twelve hundred feet long, eight feet high, after setting, five feet on top, with a base of forty feet; with a puddle ditch of three feet in depth, by three feet wide; and that they shall superintend the building of said levee, and when completed, shall give a certificate to the constructor that the work has been faithfully performed, and on presentation of said certificate, the Parish Auditor will issue in his favor a warrant, if there be funds in the Treasury,

or a certificate, in case there shall be no money, provided: that the money expended on the work shall not exceed \$1700. The said commissioners are also empowered to receive from Messrs. Lindsey and Norwood an act of sale executed to the Parish of Pointe Coupee, of lots or sections No. 4 and 5, upon which the levee in the foregoing resolution is ordered to be built, and shall upon the completion of said act of sale, let out said contract in accordance with said resolution.

On motion of H. G. Callihan, Resolved, That the Levee Inspectors of the parish, in ordering the construction of new levees shall direct the same to be built over a puddle ditch of at least three feet in depth by three feet in width.

Resolved, That if an estray be taken up at a distance exceeding fifteen miles from the Court House, that the Justice of the Peace, after the usual notice shall have been given, may at his discretion, sell the estray at his premises.

On motion of C. Poydras, Mr. Leigh was appointed inspector of roads and levees for the 4th district, in place of C. D. Stewart.

On motion of J. Moebius, Resolved, That in appropriating the hands to work on the public roads, the Police Jury shall regard as liable, and the inspectors shall notify only the male hands between the ages of fifteen and fifty.

On motion of John Moebius, Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Parish Tax Collector to report to the Police Jury at its regular meeting, the names of all persons who shall have paid license and also the amount received from each.

On motion of John Moebius, Resolved, That the Inspector of the 4th Police Jury Ward be authorized to kill all hogs found on any of the levees in said Ward.

An account of L. B. Dayries of \$40 for pickets furnished for repairs of the levee between Enete and Farrar, was ordered to be paid.

An account from J. Levy for the sum of \$24.30; said account was sent back to the inspector for explanation.

On motion of C. Poydras, Resolved, That a fine of fifty dollars be imposed upon any person who shall cut a public levee to pass over it, if he does not mend the cut as soon as ordered to do so by the Inspector, and it shall be closed at his expense, besides the fine which he will incur.

An account of A. Chnst, sr., for repairs made to the bridge of Bayou Maringoin for \$5.25 was ordered to be paid.

On motion of C. F. McRae, Resolved, That an appropriation of \$120 be and is hereby made, for the purpose of purchasing lumber to build culverts upon the parish roads leading from Morganza to A. Provosty's place on the Bayou Fardoche.

On motion of C. C. Pickett, the Board adjourned sine die.

A true copy. R. I. BARROW, President.

L. V. PORCHE, Clerk.

VIGILANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

According to notice previously given the friends and members of said Committee, met at the Court House, on Saturday, the 18th inst.

The meeting was organized by nominating Mr. J. B. Bergeron as President, Zenon Gremillon, Vice President, and Orphius Sicard, Secretary.

The object of the meeting having been explained to the assembly, to-wit: to use and make all honorable efforts to put a stop to all unlawful traffics, and particularly of intoxicating liquors, with the slave population of this parish, and to restrain all persons from selling spirituous liquors to slaves in violation of the laws.

On motion it was Resolved, That a committee composed of the following persons, to-wit: Marcel Lejeune, Dr. Corio, V. Bergeron, Bruno Lejeune, Hyppolite Bergeron, Lelio Lebeau, S. Guerin, Oreste Lebeau, Etienne Major, Borsin Ponceau, Terence Samson, Joseph Moniotte, and Baptiste Lejeune, said committee to prepare a series of resolutions whereby effective means may be devised to carry out effectually the object of this meeting and report on Saturday, the 25th inst., at the Court House to the President of the meeting.

On motion, W. H. Cooley, Esq., was added to the said committee. The meeting adjourned to meet at this place on Saturday the 25th inst.

J. B. BERGERON, Pres't. Z. GREMILLON, Vice Pres. O. SICARD, Sec'y.

Hon. T. T. Eadie, of Shreveport, has been nominated as the Democratic candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court of the 4th District.

We regret to learn from the New Orleans Courier of the 21st inst., that the Howard Association were requested to send nurses to Plaquemine to attend the sick. At once the most experienced were selected and sent.

The weekly report of deaths in N. O. for the week ending 6 o'clock Sunday morning, by yellow fever were 460.

OBITUARY.

DECEASED.—On the 24th inst. at Pointe Coupee, Mr. VINCENT CARROLL, son of Narcisse Carroll, Sr., of the same place.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Office of Commissioner of Second Swamp Land District, West Baton Rouge, September 2nd 1858.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the Commissioner of the Second Swamp Land District at Baton Rouge, La., until Monday, October 25th, 1858, for the cutting of a drainage canal to drain the swamp between the Mississippi River and False River, in the Parish of Pointe Coupee.

This canal is located so as to begin at or near the bridge over the Bayou Poydras, upon the New Road leading from the River to the Pointe Coupee Court House, and running thence along the lower line of J. B. Lejeune, Esq., to False River. All work contracted for must be finished before the first day of December, 1858, and will be at the risk of the contractor until received by the State authorities, and will be paid for periodically, as it progresses, by warrants on the State Treasurer, reserving twenty per cent. as security to be paid in full when the work is completed, inspected and received by the State.

An additional security may be demanded equal in amount to the value of the work contracted for. The exact estimation together with a plan and profile of the work may be seen at this office; but it is recommended that bidders visit the site previous to bidding, to ascertain the extent and position of the required canal.

FORM OF A BID. To the Commissioner of the 2nd Swamp Land District, West Baton Rouge, 1858. I hereby offer to construct a Canal in Pointe Coupee in accordance with the specifications of the Commissioner, published and under his direction for cents per Cubic yard.

I am authorized to refer to Messrs. for evidence of my character and competency to undertake the work; and herewith I enclose you the authority of Mr. to act as my bondsman. Respectfully, A. R.

FORM OF BONDSMAN'S OFFER. I hereby agree to go upon the bond of M. Contractor to the amount of the estimated value of the work for which he bids, and as security that he will properly and faithfully execute said work according to the contract.

The successful bidder or bidders will be notified by mail as soon as the bids are opened and adjudicated and the contract and bond must then be drawn up, signed, and given before a Notary Public and duly recorded in the Parish in which the Contractor resides, and at his expense.

After which the work must be commenced without delay. The Engineer of the District is authorized to sign the contract in the absence of the Commissioner. LAFAYETTE CALDWELL, September 25th, 1858. 37-4w.

State of Louisiana.

Ninth District Court—Parish of Pointe Coupee. HARRIET HILDBRETH DAVIS vs. SARAH ANN RAIFORD, wife of John S. Scott and John S. Scott, her husband. No. 2134.

Y VIRTUE of and to satisfy a writ of seizure and sale issued in the above suit and to me directed by the Hon. the 9th District Court in and for the parish and State aforesaid, to satisfy plaintiff's demand and costs of suit, I have seized, and will offer at public sale at the Court House on

Saturday, the 6th day of November, 1858, at 11 o'clock a. m., all the right, title and interest that the defendant has in and to the following described property to-wit:

The tract of land of two arpents front on the Mississippi river, by forty in depth (more or less) situated in the Parish of Pointe Coupee, and lying between the land or plantation acquired by John S. Scott, of the late P. H. Harbour, (now owned by Mrs. Sarah Ann Raiford, wife of John S. Scott.) on one side; and land owned on the 19th of April 1854, by one Theriot (now owned by said Mrs. Sarah Ann Raiford wife of John S. Scott) on the other side; together with all the improvements thereon, and also the crop of sugar cane now growing on said land.

Terms of Sale—Cash with Appraisement. SEVERIN PORCHE, SH'F. Pointe Coupee, Sept. 23, 1858. tds

State of Louisiana.

Parish of East Feliciana—Seventh District Court. M. G. MILLS vs. A. W. BALLARD. No. 2786.

Y VIRTUE of and to satisfy a writ of seizure and sale issued in the above entitled suit and to me directed by the Hon. the 9th District Court in and for the parish and State aforesaid, to satisfy plaintiff's demand and costs of suit, I have seized, and will offer at public sale, at the Court House on

Saturday, the 6th day of November, 1858, at 11 o'clock a. m., all the right, title and interest that the defendant has in and to the following described property to-wit:

The negro man named POWELL, aged about 40 years.

Terms of sale cash—with appraisement. SEVERIN PORCHE, Sheriff. Pointe Coupee, September 23, 1858.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Parish of Pointe Coupee—Ninth District Court. LABOUIER & LANOUÉ vs. R. & H. N. DAVIS. No. 2059.

Y VIRTUE of and to satisfy a writ of fi fa issued in the above entitled suit and to me directed by the Honorable the Ninth District Court in and for the parish and State aforesaid, to satisfy plaintiff's demand and costs of suit, I have seized and will offer at public sale, at the Court House on

Saturday, the 6th day of November, 1858, at 11 o'clock a. m., all the right, title and interest that the defendant has in and to the following described property to-wit:

A negro woman named AMEE, aged about 18 years.

Terms of Sale—Cash with Appraisement. SEVERIN PORCHE, Sheriff. Pointe Coupee, 23rd September 1858. tds

Notice

IS HEREBY GIVEN that PIERRE OLIVIER LEBLANC, has applied to the Ninth District Court in and for the Parish of Pointe Coupee, to be appointed curator of the vacant Succession of ARTHUR DE VEZE, deceased, and that if no opposition is made to his demand in ten days after this date, he will be appointed accordingly. By order of the Ninth District Court. J. B. BLANCHARD, Deputy Clerk.

WANTED.

TWO SERVANTS—one to cook, the other to do washing, ironing and housework. For both \$25 per month will be given, or \$12.50 for either. Cash paid at the end of each month. Apply at this office. Sept. 18, 1858.

JUST RECEIVED.

GRAUGNARD & CO. have just received a full assortment of Ready Made Clothing. Also 800 pairs of new shoes and plantation goods of every description. Sept. 18, 1858.

RUNAWAY.

\$40 Reward or \$100 apiece will be given to whomsoever will apprehend and bring back to the undersigned the slaves Rosmond, Francois Hilaire and Hyppolite, who are negroes and well known on the Island of False River where they have often been seen. J. P. LAPIERRE, Island Plantation, Sept. 18, 1858.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that Gustave LeBeau has applied to the Ninth District Court in and for the Parish of Pointe Coupee, to be appointed administrator of the Succession of Mrs. Annacriste Saizan, wife of Louis David, deceased, and that if no opposition is made to his demand in ten days after this date, he will be appointed accordingly. By order of the Ninth District Court. A. BONDY, Clerk. Pointe Coupee, Sept. 18, 1858.

NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jules St. Germain has applied to the Ninth District Court in and for the Parish of Pointe Coupee, to be appointed administrator of the vacant Succession of Auguste Brunet, deceased, and that if no opposition is made to his demand in ten days after this date, he will be appointed accordingly. By order of the Ninth District Court. J. B. BLANCHARD, Dep. Clerk. Sept. 18, 1858.

NOTICE.

I would respectfully inform the public that from this time on, the mail will be carried from this office to Morganza by way of the new State road. The mails can be here by the route, in eighteen hours. All persons wishing their mail to come to this office will have their mail matter addressed via Morganza. J. R. HERRING, P. M. Sept 5, 1858.

NOTICE!

IN VIEW of the urgent necessity of organizing themselves so as to effectually attain the object which they have in view, the members of the Vigilance Committee will meet in extra session on Saturday 18th of September, 1858, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the Court House. X. Pointe Coupee, September 11, 1858.

WAS COMMITTED TO JAIL, A NEGRO MAN who says he belongs to John McCauland, his age is about 38 years. The owner is requested to comply with the law and take him out of jail MARCELINE AGUILARD, Jailor. Pt' Coupee, Aug. 28, 1858.

DENTISTRY.

D. L. & D. STOKING are prepared to attend to all calls pertaining to their profession, in any part of the country. Dr. D. Stoking can be found at the residence of P. M. Moore, Pointe Coupee. March 6, 1858.

F. ROMAN D.

Bayou Sara, La. INFORMS his old patrons and the public generally that he has re-established his Jewelry establishment where he will as heretofore endeavor to give complete satisfaction. He has on hand a complete assortment of Watches and Jewelry. All work warranted. Terms Cash. April 24, 1858.

TAKEN UP.

On the 20th of March, by the undersigned, on Mr. Lacoste's place, in this parish: A DUN HORSE, 15 hands high, and badly foundered. No perceptible marks. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, otherwise he will be disposed of according to law. May, 22d 1858. EDWIN VIGNES.

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HENRY TENNY.

House Carpenter and Joiner, BAYOU SARA, LA. HAS CONSTANTLY ON HAND and for sale, Crane's Metallic Patent Burial Cases, at his shop near J. H. Henshaw's Stable, Bayou Sara. Mr. H. Demoy is my agent or the sale of these Cases in the parish of Pointe Coupee, and he will always have on hand a supply of them. H. TENNY. April 10, 1858.

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WARRANTED to force the Moustache and Whiskers to grow strong and luxuriant in one month, where there was none before, it will not stain or injure the skin. PRICE ONE DOLLAR. Sent to all parts of the country. Address Dr. S. P. SHELDON, Aug. 14, 1858—6m New York City.

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