

PLANTERS' BANNER.

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FRANKLIN, LA., THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1849.

The Whig Convention

For the nomination of candidates for parish officers and delegates to the State Convention will meet at the Court House, in Franklin, on SATURDAY THE 14th OF APRIL.

THE WEATHER.—Since the rain which fell last Thursday the atmosphere has seemed more healthful than before. It was the first rain of any consequence that we had been favored with in Franklin, for nearly six weeks.

THE HUMAN WILL.—The human will is capable of effecting wonderful results. A man with an iron will may be persuaded, coerced, reasoned with, and all of that sort of things, but he won't be driven by any body.

The will has a curious power over disease itself. The man that is full of resolution and self-will seldom dies until he gets ready to. Disease may attack him, but his resolution and energy wards off half the force of it, and will often conquer the other half in a short time.

Beauties of the Teche.

Few who even live in this parish realize the beauties of this lovely and noted bayou. Yet it has beauties of no common stamp. Let him who wishes to see its loveliness, and feel it too, mount the hurricane deck of one of our gallant steamers as the ploughs her way upon her winding course from the Atchafalaya to St. Martinsville.

As you pass along, on the one hand you behold verdant forests clothed in luxuriant foliage, on the other thrifty plantations, fields, pastures, quiet dwellings and costly and imposing sugar houses, groves, prairies, landings and villages.

Clusters of negro huts may at intervals be seen and not far from these, groups of negro children playing on the banks of the bayou beneath the branches of shady oaks.

At some seasons of the year vessels may be seen lying at anchor in this bayou at different plantations taking in sugar and molasses for northern ports. It is not uncommon for six or more steamboats to ply regularly between this place and N. Orleans, and their arrivals and departures are always sources of interest to all who live on the bayou.

To return to our travelling point of observation—As you pass along on the calm bosom of this liquid highway you frequently pass the peaceful residences of the sugar planter who has tastefully surrounded his dwelling with orange trees and flower-bearing shrubbery, forming a delightful grove which not only beautify the home of the planter but the country itself.

A Proposition.

The Democrats objects to Whig conventions, Whig officers, and Whig principles, and at the same time demand of the Whigs a renunciation of party spirit and party voting.

Have not the Whigs in this parish always acted a magnanimous part towards the Democrats? Have they not given their best offices to them? Have they not even stepped forward and become security for those officers when they were unable to find the required security in their own party?

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An Anti-Slavery Advertisement.

We received by the last mail the "National Anti-Slavery Standard," published at N. York, a rank Garrison, abolition paper, whose motto is—"Without concealment—Without compromise."

We find in this paper a long advertisement of property, consisting of 100 slaves, 8 ox carts, 69 work oxen, 20 mules, 20 work horses, 1,500 barrels of corn and 12,500 pieus, belonging to the Widow Hypolite Creten of Opelousas, Lou.

This paper is very liberal to advertise such property, and let the readers of the Standard know where they can purchase some of their colored brethren. It must be interesting to that clamorous tribe of anti-slavery, anti-union anti-southern, anti-church, anti-civilization barbarians to peruse such advertisements.

We can inform the Standard that the average life of these factory girls is not half that of the cane-field negro women of the south!

We can inform the Standard that there are thousands of poor wretches in poor houses at the north who feel infinitely worse crushed, who suffer ten times more mental anguish, and who have ten times the amount of broken hopes and slavish fears than fall to the lot of the slaves of the south.

We can inform the Standard that if human suffering, heart-rending-woe, the most terrible griefs and tears, poverty, destitution, awful vices and human degradation are the objects for which he is in search he will find enough under his own impudent nose to require his undivided attention, and the attention of every abolitionist in the country for a lifetime.

The Standard, on the margin, says "Please Exchange." The Jacobin will Please Excuse—we shall exchange with no such a chap. We shall apply the ten foot pole system to him and bid him Good by.

A MAIDEN LADY'S SOLILOQUY.—'Tis wondrous strange, how great the change, since I was in my teens; then I had beaux, and billet-doux, and joined in gayest scenes.

One of Napoleon's greatest merits was, that he spoke very little and always to the point. Louis Napoleon, however, goes much further, for he never speaks at all.

For the Planters' Banner. The Art of Making Butter.

There is perhaps no luxury which we know of superior to fine butter—and it is more than a luxury, for it is one of the most nutrient of principles, and contributes more to the proper development of the young animal mechanism than any other—therefore if you have it, give your children plenty of good, well made fresh butter.

This article, we are sorry to say, is not generally well manufactured in the south, and in our state in particular, the composition commonly presented as fresh butter being nothing but a sort of beat up curdled milk, and has no principle of the soft delicious flavor that belongs to butter when properly composed.

Direction 1st. The greatest attention should be paid to the milk vessels, churn &c, &c., being kept perfectly clean, and dried in the open air by the action of the atmosphere.

Direction 2d. The process of churning should be conducted very slowly, and in as cool a situation as possible; for the consistency of the butter depends upon the temperature at which it is made, and this accounts for the difficulty in making a fine article in our climate; but this can be remedied greatly by putting the churn during the night previous to the churning in a tub of the coldest well water.

Direction 3. The milk should all be put in the churn, and not the cream only, as is frequently done; for the larger the quantity churned, the better will be the butter. When the butter begins to show on the churn stick a portion of cold water must be added to make the butter separate from the buttermilk.

Direction 4. After the butter is taken from the churn, it should be well washed and put into the coldest water for 3 or 4 hours—if it can be sunk in the bottom of the well, so much the better. It should then be salted, and the best composition for this purpose is 2 tablepounds of salt of good brown sugar, and one teaspoonful of saltpetre; the last article removes the moisture from the butter, and destroys all unpleasant taste which the cows' food may have thrown into the butter.

Direction 5. Much of the beauty of milk depends upon its pure, yellow color, which is sometimes owing to the food of the cows, but principally to the slowness of the churning, and the temperature; which, as stated above, should be as slow as possible.

To sum up the the whole matter in a few words, the fineness of the butter depends upon 1st slow churning, 2d, great cleanliness about the vessels, 3d, low temperature, 4th, richness of the milk.

Reward for Royal Heads.

A friend of ours has favored us with the following translation from a German paper, it seems that crowned heads are not beyond the reach of Lynch law.

PROCLAMATION.

The German Americans to their German brethren in the old Fatherland.

Whereas all prayers and remonstrances, and all the trials made by the German people, to prevail on their unjust potentates, Emperors, Kings and princes of every grade to abandon their unnatural relations, have been of no avail—and as those in power instead of granting the petition of the people, and replacing them into their birthrights, only answer with cannon balls and bombardment; as further their ears, deaf to the voice of humanity and justice, are open only to hypocrites, traitors, and servile courtiers; as to crown all these horrors, these emperors, kings and princes, in the battle with the people, caused their common hangman, Windischgraetz, Jellachich and others to inflict most inhuman, cruel, and terrible executions, nay, as they did not even hesitate to hire assassins against the fearless friends of the people, to trample under foot the rights of man and, overwhelm with misery thousands of honorable families—and whereas all enlightened mankind have become acquainted with these facts, and desire that the present forms of government should cease, viz, those in which hereditary princess arrogate to themselves to be supreme, because they have at all times proved themselves infamously hostile to the people—and whereas the princes still continue in a most brutal manner, to suppress and to extinguish the right, given from God to man, to be free—We see no other means to exterminate those deadly enemies to humanity, than by offering in the name of the German Americans and their friends, the following rewards, to him or them who shall in any manner render harmless those barbarians of the 19th century, and we will not rest, till our end be attained.

We therefore offer at present the following rewards.

For the destruction of the Austrian Emperor 30,000 florins.

For the destruction of the Prussian King, 25,000 florins.

For the destruction of any other King, Elector and such like, 15,000 florins.

For the head of the common hangman Windischgraetz, 10,000 florins.

We believe to be able to justify this measure before the eyes of the world, as it is directed towards beings that are noxious to all mankind, and whose hearts are closed to every feeling of justice, and whose acts are no better than those of common robbers and murderers. We further believe and are firmly persuaded, that it is the first duty of every free man, to destroy from the

face of the earth this brood of serpents, and that the exterminators of these majesties will be rendered famous, and their names attain immortality like that of William Tell.

To the punctual payment of these rewards, as the one and several actors may justly claim them, either to them or their lawful heirs, we pledge our property and honor.

In the name of the Society L. A. Wollenweber, Cor Sec. 2777 North 3d St. Philadelphia.

MORE CREVASSES.—We learn from the Thibodeaux Minerva, of last Saturday, that there are three extensive crevasses between that place and Field's Mill, on the right bank of Bayou Lafourche. The injury already suffered by the planters of the parish of Terrebonne is very great. The crops on the east bank of Bayou Bleu are overflowed and it was feared that the water, which was still rapidly rising, may finally extend to the Terrebonne. Grand Coteau also is two feet under water, and its inhabitants have been compelled to abandon their homes.

There is an old Dutchman living in the north of Vermont very famous for having a very large orchard and making excellent cider. The old fellow is fond of the beverage himself, but was never known to offer any to his neighbors. One evening a friend called upon him, hoping to flatter the old man out of a glass, began to praise his cider—"Yaas, yaas," said the phlegmatic Dutchman, "I hash root cider—Hans, bring the mug."

Husbandry.—A man with eleven daughters was lately complaining that he found it hard to live. "You must husband your time," said the other, "and then you will do well enough."

We are authorized to announce Zenon Labauve, of Iberville, as Candidate for Governor, subject to the decision of the State Convention.

We are authorized to announce P. DELAHOUSAYE as a Candidate for the office of Sheriff of this parish.

We are authorized to announce Mr MASON PILCHER as a candidate for the office of sheriff for the Parish of St. Mary, subject to the decision of the Convention.

We are authorized to announce JOSEPH MILLET as a Candidate for the Assessorship of this Parish.

Nous sommes autorisés à annoncer Mr. P. DELAHOUSAYE comme candidat pour la place de Sheriff de cette Paroisse.

Nous sommes autorisés à annoncer JOSEPH MILLET comme Candidat pour la place d'Assesseur de cette Paroisse.

Notice. The public are cautioned against buying or trading for a note drawn by us in favor of Messrs Ruth Brother & Co. of Plaquemine, La., dated Jan. 17th 1849, and made payable on the 15th of March following, 1849, for two hundred and thirty-one 79,100 dollars without interest. Said note, we understand, has been lost or mislaid and the debt for which the note was given, has been paid this day by draft, and said note will not be paid again by us.

M. WALKER, & Co. Franklin, April 5th 1849

Notice. All persons having claims against the Estate of Darius Purdy, dec., are requested to present them to the undersigned. EVELINA BROWN, Administratrix. Pattersonville, April 3, 1849.

For Sale. A house and lot in Franklin with all the necessary out buildings cisterns, &c., which will be sold on accommodating terms. For particulars apply at this office.

Lost. Any person having two volumes of the Shakespeare novels belonging to the Franklin Circulating Library entitled Secret Passion, Youth of Shakespeare, will please return them to this office, no charge will be made for their use.

Oils. Sperm, Whale, Lard and Neats oils also spits Turpentine, and Paints. S. SMITH. March 28 1849.

Notice. STATE OF LOUISIANA. District Court, Parish of St. Mary. Estate of Bennett A. Curtis, dec. Whereas Lewis R. Curtis, and Clara Fourmy widow of Bennett A. Curtis, both of this parish, have filed in this court a petition praying to be appointed administrator and administratrix jointly of the estate of said Bennett A. Curtis dec.

Notice is hereby given to all those whom it doth or may concern, to show cause if any they have, within ten days from the date hereof, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted. J. V. FOURMY, Clerk. Parish St. Mary, April 2, 1849.

AVIS. ETAT DE LA LOUISIANE. Cour de District, Paroisse Ste Marie. Succession de feu Bennett A. Curtis. Attendu que Lewis R. Curtis, et Clara Fourmy veuve de feu Bennett A. Curtis, tous deux de cette paroisse, ont enregistré dans cette cour une petition demandant qu'ils soient nommés Administrateur et Administratrix conjointement de la succession, du dit Bennett A. Curtis.

Probate Sale.

There will be offered for sale at Public Auction to the highest and last bidder at the residence of Mrs. Godefroy Provost in this Parish on Monday, the seventh day of May next, at 10 o'clock, A. M., by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of the late Godefroy Provost, Sen., dec., the following described property belonging to the said estate, to wit:

A Tract of Land

situated and lying in this said Parish, measuring nine arpents front on the west or right bank of the bayou Teche, by the depth of forty arpents, bounded above by land hereinafter described and below by land of Nicholas Philémon Provost.

Another Tract of Land

measuring three arpents front on the west or right bank of the said bayou, by the ordinary depth of forty arpents, bounded above by the land of the heirs of Leutroy Provost, dec., and below by the land herein before described.

Another Tract of Land

situated and lying in this said parish on the west side of the Grand marais, near-uring seven acres front by the depth of fourteen acres, bounded above east by land of Jean Lacroix Hebert west by land of Alexandre Broussard, south by land Exubert Hebert and north by public lands.

Also the buildings and improvements attached and belonging to the several tracts of land hereinafter enumerated and as described: Also about nineteen likely SLAVES of both sexes, including the household furniture, the stock of Cattle, Horses, Mules, Farming utensils, carts, ploughs, plantation and smith tools, and other personal and moveable property too tedious to enumerate.

On the following terms and conditions, to wit The lands and slaves payable in two equal annual instalments, the first of which falling due on the first day of March, 1850, the other falling due on the first day of March, 1851, and the personal and moveable effects payable as hereinafter expressed, to wit: all sums of twenty-five dollars and under, in ready money on the day of sale, and all sums over that amount payable on the first day of March, 1850. Purchasers, in all cases of credit, to give their notes with good personal security, in solid; made payable to the order of the said administrator, secured to his satisfaction, payable respectively at the epochs aforesaid and conditioned to bear eight per cent per annum interest from time when respectively due till paid in full, and all property subject to mortgage or privilege to be specially mortgaged and hypothecated and subject to privilege until full and entire payment and satisfaction of the said notes and eventual interest aforesaid.

CLET PROVOST, Administrator.

St. Mary, March 31st, 1849. The acts of sale shall be executed before the Recorder of this Parish, who will be present on the day of sale, at the expense of the purchasers.

Vente par la Cour des Preyces

Il sera offert en vente publique à l'encan, au plus offrant et dernier enchereur au domicile de Dame Ve. Godefroy Provost dans cette paroisse, le Lundi, Septieme jour du mois de Mai prochain, à 10 heures du matin, par le sous-signé administrateur de la succession de feu Godefroy Provost, père, les propriétés ci-après décrites et énumérées dépendant de la dite succession, savoir:

Une pièce de Terre

située dans cette paroisse, mesurant neuf arpents de face sur la rive droite ou occidentale du bayou Teche sur la profondeur ordinaire de quarante arpents, bornée par le haut par la terre ci-après décrite et par le bas par la terre de Nicholas Philémon Provost.

Une autre piece de Terre

mesurant trois arpents de face sur le même coté du dit bayou par la profondeur ordinaire de quarante arpents, bornée par le haut par la terre des héritiers de feu Leutroy Provost, décédé et par la bas par les terre ici plus haut décrite.

Une autre piece de Terre

aussi située dans cette paroisse au large du grand-marais, mesurant sept acres de face sur quatorze acres de profondeur, bornée à l'Est par la terre de Jean Lacroix Hebert, à l'Ouest par la terre d'Alexandre Broussard, au sud par la terre Ve. Exubert Hebert, et au nord par les terres publiques.

Aussi tous les établissements et ameliorations attachés et appartenant aux pièces de terre déja énumérées et décrites.

Aussi, environ dix neuf ESCLAVES des deux sexes, y compris les meubles de maison, les animaux, cheveaux, bêtes à cornes, mulets, les outils aratoires, charrettes, charues, outils d'habitation et de forge et autres effets mobiliers dont l'énumération serait trop longue et appartenant à la dite succession.

Aux termes et condition ci-après exprimés savoir:

Les terres et esclaves payables en deux termes annuels égaux; le premier échéant au premier jour du mois de Mars, 1850, le second échéant au premier jour du mois de Mars, 1851; les effets mobiliers: toutes sommes de vingt cinq piastres et au dessous comptant, au jour de la vente, et toutes sommes au-dessus de ce montant payables au premier jour du mois de Mars, 1850. Les acquéreurs, dans tous les cas de credit, devant fournir leurs billets avec sécurité solidaire, à la satisfaction de l'administrateur sousigné, payables à son ordre respectivement aux époques sus-mentionnées et portant huit pour cent d'intérêt de leurs échéances respectives jusqu'à parfait paiement, et toutes propriétés sujettes à hypothèque ou privilège, demeurant spécialement affectées et hypothéquées et sujettes à privilège en faveur de la dite succession, jusqu'à parfait paiement des dits billets, en capital et intérêts.

CLET PROVOST, Administrateur.

Ste. Marie, 31 Mars, 1849. Les actes de vente seront passés au frais des acquéreurs, pardevant le Recorder de cette paroisse qui sera sur les lieux au jour de la vente.

Notice.

All persons having claims against the estate of John Bragg, dec., are requested to present them, and all indebted to said estate will please come forward and settle with the undersigned M. WALKER, Clerk. Franklin, March 22, 1849.