

THE PLANTERS' BANNER.

THE WANDERER'S RETURN.

Air—Old Virginia's Shore.

The day was gone, the night was dark,
And the howling winds went by,
And the blinding sleet fell thick and fast
From a stern and stormy sky.
When a mourning wail, through the rushing gale,
Was heard at the cottage door—
O carry me back—O! carry me back
To my mother's home once more.

'Twas a youth who had left his mountain home,
He had wandered far and long;
He had drained the goblet's fiery tide,
At the festal midnight throng.
But a dream of home came o'er his heart,
As he crept to the cottage door—
O! carry me back—O! carry me back
To my mother's home once more.

I have left the hall of the tempter's power,
And the revel wild and high—
They care not in their reckless mirth
If I wandered alone to die.
Both the fire still burn on the household hearth,
By the elm tree old and hoar—
O! carry me back—O! carry me back
To my mother's home once more.

Like the weary bird that has wandered long,
I will seek my mountain nest,
And lay this aching head once more
On my gentle mother's breast.
Once more I will seek the household hearth,
By the elm tree old and hoar—
O! carry me back—O! carry me back
To my mother's home once more.

MAIZE IN ENGLAND.—By permission of the Commissioners of Woods and Forests, an experiment has been made in St. James's Park, London—and, the Times will have it, successfully—to ascertain whether Indian corn may not be advantageously cultivated in England. The Times gives a very flattering account of the experiment, and a very curious description of the plant, moreover, as it will doubtless appear to American readers:

"Notwithstanding all drawbacks (says the Times), the little maize crop has fully realized all that was anticipated. It was sown the latter end of May, and now in the beginning of September, it is ripe for cutting. The appearance of the plant is peculiarly graceful, far more so, indeed, than that of any ordinary corn field. The stems, which run up perfectly straight are generally from four to five feet high, and are much thicker than the larger wheat straw. They throw out from the root upwards a succession of flag-like leaves, the stem terminating in a little tuft, from which springs the ears of corn, somewhat irregularly clustered; and, in this instance, apparently not heavily laden."

The Times say, "it seems not unlikely that the maize plant will be very generally sown henceforward;" and adds that

"Amongst those who are about to experiment on a larger scale next year, are his Royal Highness Prince Albert, who proposes sowing a piece of land at Frogmore Park, his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, at Goodwood, and the Duke of Norfolk at Sandringham."

Many of our readers will recollect the experiment of "Cobbett's corn," tried more than twenty years ago in England. William Cobbett, who was a good farmer, and an enthusiastic in the desire to introduce the cultivation of maize. After all his pains, however, the attempt proved a dead failure; the wet and cold summers of England, as might be supposed, proving fatal to success. We are almost afraid, from the description of the plant given by the Times, that the present experimentalists have got hold of the wrong plant, and are expending their energies upon broom corn, instead of Indian corn.

—North American.

"What's the state of morals in your district?" said a long-faced informer to a farmer who recently visited town. "Pretty good," replied the farmer, "every body seems disposed to mind his own business in our parts."

POWER HINT.—"I do not wish to say anything against the individual in question," said a very polite gentleman, "but I would merely remark, in the language of the poet, that to him truth is strange! 'stranger than fiction.'"

CULTURE OF GRAPES.—Dr. UNDERHILL, of New York, has obtained great celebrity for his successful culture of the Grape. His vineyard, it is said, is ploughed and hoed oftener than almost any cornfield; while not only is a great portion of the wood pruned away, but the clusters which form only about one-third are allowed to mature. Hence the size and sweetness of his grapes.—Exchange.

EMERSON.—There has arrived at the quarantine ground, Staten Island, from the 2d April to the 1st of October, one hundred and sixty-three thousand one hundred and ninety-three passengers; being an average of eight hundred and ninety-six per day; being an increase of near 85,000 over the same number of days last year.—Exchange.

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN'S EXPEDITION.—A letter from St. Petersburg, dated the 31st of July states:

Lady Franklin having addressed a memorial to the Emperor of Russia, in which she stated that there was some possibility that the expedition which sailed four years ago from England for the discovery of the north-west passage, under the command of her husband, Sir John Franklin and of which no intelligence has been received had been thrown on the coasts of Siberia or Nova Zembla, his Imperial Majesty instantly resolved to fit out an expedition to make a strict search on these distant shores and for this purpose the Imperial Academy of Science at St. Petersburg has been consulted as to the best course it would be expedient to adopt.

HOW NATURAL.—"Have you made choice of a profession?" inquired a young lady of a gentleman, who was endeavoring to do the agreeable. "I" replied the young gentleman, "am a journeyman shoemaker." "Good heavens!" exclaimed the lady, apparently much disgusted, "I thought you were a student."

A Portuguese sculper upon his death-bed, had a crucifix placed before his eyes by a physician, who said, "Behold that God whom you so much offended. Do you recollect him now?" "Alas! yes, father," replied the dying man, "it was I who made him!"

ELECTION.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH OF ST. MARY.

By virtue of a proclamation issued by his Excellency, Isaac Johnson, Governor of the State of Louisiana, under date the 4th day of August 1849, and to me directed, the qualified voters of the Parish of St. Mary, are hereby notified that an election for the following officers will be held on Monday, the 5th day of November next, A. D. 1849, viz:

For Governor of the State of Louisiana.
For Lieutenant Governor
For Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Louisiana.

One Representative to Congress for the Fourth Congressional District.

One State Senator from the District composed of the Parish of St. Mary.

Two Representatives to State Legislature for the Parish of St. Mary.

A Sheriff for the Parish of St. Mary.

A Coroner for the Parish of St. Mary.

One Justice of the Peace for each Police Jury Ward in the Parish, except in the Ward that comprises the Town of Franklin, wherein two Justices of the Peace will be elected.

One Constable for each Police Jury Ward in the Parish.

A Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of St. Mary.

A Clerk of the District Court for the Parish of St. Mary.

A Superintendent of Public Education for the Parish of St. Mary.

An Assessor for the Parish of St. Mary.

Said Election will be terminated in one day, and the polls will be opened at 9 o'clock, A. M., and closed at 4 o'clock, P. M., in each and every precinct in this Parish, and will be held at the places, and before the Commissioners hereinafter mentioned, viz:

1st Ward, Richard Wilkins, George Singleton, and Wm Rose, at the house of A. Romero.

2d Ward, Benj Borel, Albert Heaton, Lufroy Bonville, at P. Prevost's store.

3d Ward, J. A. Frere, Alcide Pecot and C. Pecot, at the house of Ephraim McCullum.

4th Ward, Fred Sigur, Jos Legnon, Jr., and Henry Penn, at the house of Gregoire Bodin.

5th Ward, Jas Taylor, W S Harding, and M. Picher, at Gaillard's store.

6th Ward, H R Nerson, Gustave Perret and A McWilliams, at the house of H R Nerson.

7th Ward, J A Tessier, W W Rice and J B Murphy, at the Court House in Franklin.

8th Ward, J T Hawkins, Jno Barnard, and J H Johnson, at the house of J T Hawkins.

9th Ward, N Berwick, John Meriman and D Berwick, at the house of D Berwick.

10th Ward, Thos L Doremus, John Yancy, and R B Royster, at the coffee house Centreville.

11th Ward, David Robbins, John Muggah and Wm Agre, at Agre's coffee house.

12th Ward, R B Brashear, C W Brien and John Collins, at the house of J H Bryant.

And the said Commissioners shall make their returns of said Election to the Sheriff according to Law, for all the officers to be elected, with the exception of Justice of the Peace in and for the Seventh Ward, which they will make return to the Coroner, as directed by the 30th Section of the Act for the uniform regulation of Elections, approved June 1st, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six (1846).

L. R. CURTIS, Sheriff.

ELECTION.

ETAT DE LA LOUISIANE.

PAROISSE STE. MARIE.

En vertu d'une Proclamation lancée par son Excellence le Gouverneur de l'Etat de la Louisiane, sous la date du 4 Août, 1849, et à moi adressée, les citoyens qualifiés de la paroisse Ste Marie, sont informés par les présentes qu'une élection pour les officiers suivantes, aura lieu Lundi, 5me jour de Novembre, 1849: Un Gouverneur pour l'Etat de la Louisiane. Un Lieutenant Gouverneur pour l'Etat de la Louisiane.

Un Auditeur des Comptes Publics pour l'Etat de la Louisiane.

Un Représentant au Congrès pour le quatrième District Congressional de cet Etat.

Un Sénateur d'Etat pour le district composé de la paroisse Ste. Marie.

Deux Représentants à la Législature de l'Etat pour la paroisse Ste Marie.

Un Sheriff pour la paroisse Ste Marie.

Un Juge de Paix pour chacune des arrondissements du Jury de Police de la paroisse Ste Marie, excepté dans l'arrondissement qui comprend la ville de Franklin, où deux Juges de Paix doivent être élus, aussi.

Un Constable pour chaque arrondissement du Jury de Police dans la dite paroisse.

Un Greffier de Cour de District pour la paroisse Ste Marie.

Un Surintendant des écoles publiques pour la paroisse Ste Marie.

Un Assesseur pour la paroisse Ste. Marie.

La dite élection sera terminée dans un jour, et les polls seront ouverts à 9 heures A. M., et fermés à 4 heures P. M., dans chacun des arrondissements de cette paroisse, et sera tenue dans les lieux de devant les Commissaires ci-après dits et nommés:

1 arrondissement, pardevant R Wilkins, G Singleton, et Wm Rose, à la résidence d'A. Romero.

2 arron., pardevant Benj Borel, Albert Heaton, et Lufroy Bonville, au magasin Prevost.

3 arron., pardevant J A Frere, Alcide Pecot et E Pecot, à la résidence d'Ephraim McCullum.

4 arron., pardevant Fred Sigur, Jos Legnon Jr., et Henry Penn, à la résidence de G Bodin.

5 arron., pardevant Jas Taylor, W S Harding et Mason Picher, au magasin de Gaillard.

6 arron., pardevant H R Nerson, G Perret et A McWilliams, à la résidence d'H R Nerson.

7 arron., pardevant J A Tessier, W W Rice et J B Murphy, à la maison de Cour.

8 arron., pardevant J T Hawkins, Jno Barnard, J A Johnson, à la résidence de J T Hawkins.

9 arron., pardevant D Berwick, N Berwick et Jno Meriman, à la résidence de D Berwick.

10 arron., pardevant T L Doremus, J Yancy et R B Royster, au café à Centreville.

11 arron., pardevant David Robbins, John Muggah et Wm Agre, au café à Pattersonville.

12 arron., pardevant R B Brashear, Chas.

W Brien, et John Collins, à la résidence John A Bryant.

Les dits Commissaires feront leurs retours de la dite élection au Sheriff de cette Paroisse conformément à la loi pour tous les officiers à élire, à l'exception du Juge de Paix dans l'arrondissement qui comprend la ville de Franklin pour lequel ils feront leurs retours au Coroner, comme il est ordonné par la 30me section de l'Acte réglant les élections pour l'Etat de la Louisiane, approuvé le 1er Juin, 1846.

L. R. CURTIS, Sheriff.

THIBODAU FEMALE INSTITUTE.

MR. S. TENNEY, Principal.

The Sixth Session of this Institution will commence on the first Monday in October, 1849, under the following instructors:

MR. S. TENNEY, Teacher of Mathematics, Natural and Moral Philosophy.

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Miss C. LIGON, Assistant in Eng. Department.

Miss L. L. LIGON, Teacher in Embroidery and Fancy-work.

Mrs. J. ROUVERT, French Teacher.

Miss C. REDFIELD, Teacher on Piano and Guitar.

MR. JOHN THUER, Professor of Vocal and Instrumental Music, and Lecturer on the Elementary Principles and Science of Music.

THE COURSE OF STUDY pursued in this Institution, is liberal and extensive, embracing all those branches of female education, both solid and ornamental, usually taught in Female Seminaries. The text books are of the most approved kind, such as most thoroughly inculcate a practical and finished education.

THE SYSTEM OF TEACHING is the result of fifteen years' experience. Great care is taken to avoid any thing like rote; also to adapt the studies to the capacity of the pupil. Each recitation is attended with analysis and demonstration, and in no case are pupils allowed to leave a text before evincing a thorough knowledge of its subject; to accomplish which, besides public examinations, the last day in each week is spent in reviewing the studies of the preceding days of the week.

Particular attention is given to moral and physical education. The manners of the pupils claim especial attention; to cultivate which, the pupils are daily instructed in deportment by one of the ladies.

THE GOVERNMENT is kind and humane; no coercive measures are used, but every means to elicit the ambition of the pupil. A report of the standing and scholarship of each pupil will be sent monthly to parents or guardians.

YOUNG LADIES WHO BOARD IN THE INSTITUTION.

For Board and Tuition in any or all the English branches, per session of Five Months, \$75.00

" Washing, per month, 1.00

" Furnishing Bed and Bedding, per month, 1.00

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" Music on Piano, 7.00

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Calesthenics and Sacred Music are taught without charge to all who wish to take lessons.

FIFTY YOUNG LADIES can be accommodated with board in the Institution.

THE SCHOLASTIC YEAR will be divided into Two Sessions of five months each—commencing on the first Monday in October, and ending the last of July. Tuition payable half in advance. No pupil will be taken for a less time than one session—nor will any deductions be made for loss of time, except in case of protracted illness. Pupils can enter at any time during the session; each pupil's session ending five months from the day of entrance.

TO THE PUBLIC.

This Institution is pleasantly situated on the right bank of Bayou Lafourche, half a mile below the thriving village of THIBODAU, sufficiently near to enjoy all its privileges and yet removed from the noise and bustle of the town. Little need be said with regard to health; for any one who is acquainted with this section of country, must acknowledge it to be one of the healthiest portions of Louisiana. Religious privileges are good; four churches—Catholic, Episcopal, Methodist, and Presbyterian—are within half a mile of the Institution, either of which, the pupils are permitted to attend, according to the wishes of their parents.

A large and convenient building having been added to the Institution, it is now capable of accommodating fifty young ladies as boarders. The principal study room is large, well ventilated, and conveniently arranged for one hundred pupils. The recitation rooms are pleasantly situated.

The present Teachers are well qualified for their respective departments, and should an increase in the school warrant a further increase of teachers, none will be employed but such as are well qualified. No pains will be spared by the Principal to make this Institution equal to any in the Southern country.

Thankful for the past patronage, he would again solicit the confidence of the public, pledging himself to devote his whole attention to the intellectual, moral, and physical education of those young ladies who are committed to his charge.

S. TENNEY, Principal.

Cisterns.

The undersigned is now prepared to put up cypress WATER CISTERNS, in the best of order, at short notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

He is prepared to build FLAT BOATS of any size, and will furnish materials if desired.

He is also ready to make contracts for building houses of any description, or to perform Carpenter's Work of any kind. Any job which he may engage to do will be performed with the utmost dispatch, and delivered in the best of order.

For particulars, apply at the Banner office.

SAMUEL CARY.

Centreville, May 31, 1849—1y.

Liquid Adhesive Plaster.

Or Collodion, a new and elegant substitute for plaster cloth, sutures and bandages, to be had at Apothecaries' Hall.

C. BABE.

Tailoring.

The undersigned has just opened a shop next door to McLain's Jewelry shop, where he will execute any work in his line in good style, and at short notice.

JAMES C. WORREL.

Franklin, Aug. 16, 1849—y.

Tailoring.

Frederick Ehrhardt would respectfully inform the citizens of Franklin and the public, that he has lately opened a shop on Main st., on the corner of Wexel's lot, and nearly opposite Messrs Hare & Birdsell's store, where he will carry on the Tailoring Business, and will at all times be ready to attend to the wishes of those who may favor him with his custom. His experience as a tailor, and his knowledge of his business, he trusts, will enable him to give the best of satisfaction to his customers.

Franklin, Dec. 23, 1848

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R. N. McMILLAN,

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Aug. 9, 1y.

Encourage Home Manufacture.

The undersigned would respectfully inform his friends and the public generally, that he has opened a

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He will endeavor to keep on hand a constant supply of thoroughly made Ware, so as to supply all demands with good articles, at wholesale or retail.

He has employed a superior workman, and will be enabled to furnish work at short notice, fair prices, and in a manner which, for workmanship, cannot be surpassed in the country.

Sugar house fixtures in his line repaired or furnished, and Tin Roofing, Copper or Tin Gutters, Conductors, Baking apparatus, Zink and Lead work made to order.

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Franklin, August 23, 1849.

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1 Fine Rockaway Buggy,

2 do. Open do.

1 Plain do. do.

2 Setts Coach Harness,

2 do Wagon do.

4 Covered 1 Horse Wagons.

THOS. EVINS.

Franklin, Sept 5,—1y

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Almanac for 1850

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He may be found at the old Mansion House on Willow street.

March 8, 1849.

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Having located in Franklin, will attend to the practice of his profession, in the several Courts of the Fourteenth Judicial District.

Professional business confided to his care will be promptly attended to.

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