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The Theatrical Season Opens Under Fine Prospects.

The theatrical season opened Tuesday night at Falk's Opera House with Mr. Pete Baker, in Chris and Lena. The Advertiser is pleased to note the very large audience, in fact, one of the largest crowd ever seen in a Lafayette theatre. This movement in patronizing theatres is indicative of life and progress, and denotes the energy of a rising town. A few hours recreation after a hard day's toil and business turmoil serves as a rest to the brain and helps materially in improving the general conditions of the worker. Let us hope that all good plays coming to Lafayette the balance of the season will receive as liberal a patronage as did Chris and Lena.

BOOM YOUR TOWN.

Don't Fail to Sound its Praises Wherever You Are.

Every citizen should believe in the town he lives in, and if he doesn't think it is a little better in most respects than neighboring towns then he should move out. When away from home, do not neglect to give those with whom you come in contact to understand that you live in a live town, populated by enterprising, go ahead, progressive people, and one that is advancing instead retrograding.

If you can truthfully speak in commendation of ability of your professional men, the square dealing methods of your merchants, the superiority of your schools, etc., let nothing prevent you from exercising that privilege. It will not be necessary to mention the drawbacks, if there are any. Strangers seeking a location are always greatly influenced in favor of any place where the citizens are enthusiastic in its praise.

Unless its inhabitants appreciate the excellence and virtues of each other and will collectively spread abroad their faith in the prosperity and future greatness of their own locality no city or town can expect to attain prominence over its rivals. When rightly utilized, talk can be made effective in many directions, and this is one of them.

For the past, thirty-five years the old war veterans have been dying off, but from the way the pension roll keeps swelling it seem like there has been a resurrection day for old soldiers

Cut The Weeds.

Weeds are not only noxious in themselves; they beget other evils. They foster slovenliness. A big patch of weeds in a vacant lot or an alley creates an irresistible desire in the careless domestic to throw old tin cans among them, to empty among their concealing leaves the garbage that should be carted away. Such things have the germs of contagion and death. Besides, they are nasty, they are a part of the weed system. Nice customs abhor them. A town to be clean and wholesome and attractive must be cleared of pestilent things. Citizens should cut the weeds. Then there will be fewer tin cans, heaps of ashes and piles of rotting garbage to the appearance and impair the health of a fine town.

The last census shows that Louisiana is the most illiterate state in the union. Comparison with other states reveals the fact that it is not owing to the negro population, but that a large per cent of the white population can neither read nor write. Such a condition of affairs should not exist any longer than possible. There is slight hope of doing anything for the illiterate adults, but every effort should be made to educate the young. And in the parish of Lafayette we should do our utmost part, by placing good schools in reach of every child in the parish, funds, of course are necessary, and our people should cheerfully furnish them, that the children may at least be given the instruction necessary to enable them to read and write. Politics in the past have obscured the paramount need of schools, but fortunately and wisely too, our people are waking up, and now a considerable interest is being taken in education. Let us all help the interest grow 'till our should facilities are second to none.

Don't marry for money, but for love; but try your best to love some one who has money.

The difference between a rich man and a poor one is that one wants an appetite for his dinner and the other a dinner for his appetite.

One of our exchanges states that American women in Cuba have adopted the Spanish custom of flirting with a fan. In this country they flirt with a man.

A Lafayette girl refused an offer of marriage, telling the young man she was willing to be his sister. Later on he told her he would like to be his own brother in law, and she consented.

There will evidently be several weddings in this town soon. Let the good work go on. It makes business for the dry goods merchant, clothiers, milliners, grocers and furniture dealers.

Lafayette has a splendid corps of teachers. A suitable building is next. Can't we all pull together for the sake of the children, and have a modern school building?

One of the chief sources of the waste of school money is the employment of incompetent teachers, says the Knoxville Journal and Tribune. This is perhaps more generally true in the sparsely populated districts; but it is not confined to them. It is seen and felt also in the cities. Boards of education and school directors have a grave responsibility resting upon them in this respect, and no man who is fit to hold such a position will approach the work in hand without feeling it. The time of the school children is too precious to be wasted in attending upon instruction at the hands of those know little of the responsibility that rests upon them, and who perhaps do not care to know. It sometime takes longer to unlearn that which is fallacious, taught by an incompetent teacher, than it did to imbibe the false notions that are to be unlearned.

We can't get everything at once, but let us remember that one improvement brings another. We must get a new brick school building first, other good things will follow.

Did you ever see him? Yes to know him one needs no introduction. He is the fellow that will not turn loose a dollar unless he sees two in its place. He is the fellow that you meet and have to contend with when you make a move in the way of progress, in any shape. He is the fellow that cries failure, ere the enterprise is begun, but if he happens to have a lot of any kind of property where improvements are contemplated he will hold on to it like grim death and put such a price on what he has that would stagger a Digger Indian, and yet claims that he is progressive and wants the town to improve. Yes, he wants it to improve if it will increase his values but is not willing to contribute one cent to help. Like the fellow up in the amen corner who hollows "amen" every time some one drops a quarter in the missionary box but when it reaches him he drops in a penny and grunts. The community could get along without him. He is no good. Sam Jones says there are two kinds of hogs (Sam ought to know about hogs) one that eats all he can get, and the other keeps all he can get. —Ex.

Mr. F. Bernheim of New York is now employed at the store of Mrs. B. Falk. Mr. Bernheim is a first class salesman, and will no doubt rapidly make friends here as he is a man of very pleasing and affable address.

The Lafayette Clothing House has the finest display of ties ever shown in Lafayette.

Governor Heard has introduced a new system of prison reform. He extends conditional pardons to a certain class of criminals, and so far experiment has proved satisfactory. The Baton Rouge Advocate refers to the matter as follows:

"Governor Heard on June 12th released Theodore J. Moreau from the penitentiary where he had been sent for two years for embezzlement, upon condition that he should find employment, stick at it, give monthly reports of good conduct to criminal sheriff of New Orleans and not be guilty of repetition of the crime for which he was convicted or any other crime for the whole period during which his sentence ran. The sheriff has reported most favorably and satisfactorily upon his conduct. Arthur Lacourt, convicted of larceny and sent to the House of Refuge, upon the same terms was on Aug. 29th granted a similar pardon.

I must get one of those elegant frames. They are cheap too. Go to Clark, the photographer, he has some more just like it.

Why, who enlarged your mother's picture? It couldn't be better. Clark the photographer, did it. He does excellent work.

Theatrical Season.

Falk's Opera House.

The following are some of the theatrical companies who will play during the season of 1902-03:

- Oct. 2, Prince of Liars,
- 18 Millionaire Tramp.
- 23, 24, 25 Tolson-Miller Co.
- Dec 2, Georgia Minstrels.
- Lyman Bros, Attraction.
- 10 Runaway Match.
- 21 Edwin Southers.
- 28 Busco and Holland.
- Jan. 4. A Wise Woman.
- 6 Lew Tigner's Minstrels
- 11 Mahara Colored Minstrels
- 18 Chas H. Waldran.
- 24 A Wise Member
- 26 Dickman Stock Co.
- 31 Ollie Mack Attraction
- Feb. 4 Hans Hanson Swedish Dialect,
- 7 Rip Van Winkle.

Notice to Tax-Payers.

The assessment rolls of the town for 1902 are now in my office. Tax-payers are hereby notified that taxes on movable property are due and collectible and will become delinquent Oct. 1, 1902, and taxes on immovable property are also due and collectible and will become delinquent on Dec 31, 1902. All are hereby notified to come up and settle and thereby avoid costs.

Chas. Debaillon,
Sept. 20, 1902. City tax collector.
Office City Hall 9-12 a. m.

The Morgan's Louisiana and Texas Railroad and Steamship Company will sell tickets from Lafayette to Washington D. C, and return, Oct. 2, 3, 4, 1902, with return limit Oct. 14, 1903, at a rate of 25.85 on account of G. A. R.

For further particulars, apply to local agent, or to
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