THE PATRIOT.

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE PARISH OF ST. LANDRY

E. D. ESTILETTE, Editor.

OPELOUSAS:

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 12, 1861.

We are authorized to announce that Professor W. H. N. RAGUDER, of the Baton Rouge College, is a candidate for Superintendent of Public Education, at the Election in November next.

The Presidential Election.

The unanimous assent of the Press throughout the Confederate States, to the nomination of Jefferson Davis and A. H. Stephens to the offices of President and Vice President, is a clear indication of their great popularity in the South, and of the assurance ye possess that they are the right men in the right place.

But the very fact of our unanimity in the nomination we have made of those who are to preside for the next six years over the destinies of the young Republic, may induce a large number of voters to neglect a duty of vital importance to the country.

On Monday, the 4th November next, an election, as is well known, will be held throughout Louisiana for State, Parish, and municipal officers. The aspirants are numerous, and we can reasonably conclude that the election from the highest office down to the town Constable will be hotly contested. A large vote, in other words, will be given on that day.

But in regard to the election on the Wednesday following, the inducement to vote will not apparently be so great. There is but one ticket. Many will therefore conclude that there is no necessity to present themselves at the polls, and act accordingly. The consequence will be that at the North comparison will be drawn between the two elections, and it will be heralded throughout every free State that the Presidential election must not be looked upon as the expression of the popular will; that the refusal to vote on the part of many, must be interpreted as an indication of the existence of a party sentiment here, silent and awaiting only a signal from the North to manifest itself in overturning our present Government.

To stop this apprehension on the part of any some reflection; but we all know that it has been for Lincoln and his satellites to delude the north, and how ready they are to employ any and every means in support of the war they are waging on the rights of a free and sovereign people.

Aside from the good influence a large vote at the Presidential election would surely have in the free States, it might produce most beneficial effects in Europe. Napoleon two years ago declared, while treating of Italian affairs, that the free expression of the will of a people must always be respected. Let us then by performing a duty we owe to the country, present to Europe the spectacle of a united people determined in support by our votes as well as by the sacrifice of our property and our lives, if need be, the Government of our choice—the Confederate States government. Let us see that every voter is at the polls on Wednesday, the 4th of November, exercising the greatest and the dearest privilege of free men.

The Concert.

The Concert for the benefit of the Volunteers of this Parish came off at the Opelousas Varieties on last Tuesday night.

The programme was an excellent selection, reflecting much credit on the good taste of Professor Wimmer and the ladies to whom the management of the entertainment was entrusted.

Not being musicians, nor having the pretension to be a judge of music, whether vocal or instrumental, it were bad taste on our part to institute herself critic of the occasion. If we are to form an opinion of the performance by the applause with which every piece was received, we would confidently assert that great satisfaction was felt by all in attendance.

We are sorry to state that the audience was not as large as we had expected it would be. We are aware that the times are hard, and we know also that they go harder with our brave volunteers. Since we do not share the dangers and perils to which they are continually exposed, we should avail ourselves of every opportunity to contribute our mite to alleviate their sufferings and privations.

The money realized by the concert, we learn, amounts to about eighty-five dollars. This sum, we have the best reason to believe, will be appropriated to the Louisiana Volunteers' Hospital in Virginia. It could not certainly be devoted to a better purpose.

Proclamation of Gov. Moore, of Ala.—We find the following in the Montgomery Mail:

PROCLAMATION.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Montgomery, Ala., Sept 26, 1861.

The blockade of the Southern ports; and the Mississippi river, by the Lincoln Government, cuts off the necessary supply of hay and forage for the use of the Confederate army. Rice is an excellent substitute for both, in the Confederate States. The common corn-stalk is equally as nutritious and healthy as fodder; and the crab grass, which is abundant, is good forage for our army horses.

This honor, therefore, earnestly urges upon the planters throughout the State, to have their crops dried, and put up, in two bushel bags, ready for use, as soon as possible. Each planter can easily and carefully put up a bushel bag as he feeds his own stock, which will be taken by the public agent, and paid for at the rate of [illegible] per bushel.

A. B. Moore.

Gallant Fight by Louisiana Volunteers.—We extract the following [illegible] from the Richmond Dispatch of the 9th inst.: [illegible] the most gallant feats yet performed, [illegible] the Seven Pines on the [illegible] the Confederate side were six companies of Louisiana Volunteers, belonging to Gen. [illegible] Brigade. The Yankees had [illegible] in force, and while there [illegible] the enemy posting about [illegible] the Yankees got near them, [illegible] fire and fled. They [illegible] and [illegible] manfully [illegible]

[For the Patriot.

The Rain at Night.

Day's busy scenes are ended; Nature drops
Into the arms of sleep;
O'er all in mournful showers and fitful stops
The night-clouds weep.

Earth's moistened bosom drinks the gentle rain
And lies at rest;
While memory brings the lost and loved again
Warm to the breast.

I feel subdued to-night—like the wild wave
Quiet once more,
Erewhile by storm-wind driven to distant cave.
Now lulled on shore.

Hope's fires quiescent burn with holier flame;
Desires of youth
Once wild with fancy—now have grown as tame
In the broad light of truth.

Calmly I sit. The wandering night wind calls
The balmy teardrops start;
To me the blessed rain at night-fall, falls
Like music on my heart.

SALLIE M. WHITE.

Died.

On the 21st ult., at 5 o'clock, A. M., at the residence of Mrs. Keller, Washington, La., Mrs. MARY H. CARRUTH, wife of A. S. Carruth, of Atchafalaya, aged 42 years.

Public Sale

ESTATE OF JAMES O. McCLELLAND, DECEASED.

BY virtue of an order of the Hon. the Eighth Judicial District Court holding sessions in and for the Parish of St. Landry, bearing date the 10th October, 1861, will be offered for sale at Public Auction to the last and highest bidder at the late residence of the deceased on Plaquemine Ridge, about eight miles from the town of Opelousas, through the ministry of Onezime A. Guidry or any other duly commissioned public auctioneer,

On Wednesday, 13th Nov. 1861,

the following described property belonging to the Estate of James O. McClelland, deceased, to-wit:

1. A Tract of Land

situate in this parish, in Plaquemine Cove, described on the Township Map as being the south west quarter of south east quarter of section fifteen, and north half of north west quarter of section twenty-two in township No. 9, south of Range No. one east containing

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE ACRES AND 57-100 ACRE,

as per receipt and certificate of the Land Office at Opelousas, No. 7486 in the name of deceased.

2. Another Tract of Land

situate at the same place described as being the south east quarter of north east quarter of section No. 9 in township No. 9, south of Range No. one east, containing

FORTY ACRES AND 72-100 ACRE,

as per receipt No. 6180 in the name of said deceased.

3. Another Tract of Land

purchased by deceased from Oscar F. Stanton, known as the Cole Tract, containing about

SIX HUNDRED ARPENTS,

more or less, situate in this Parish on Plaquemine Bayou.

4. The Steam Saw-Mill

situate on James W. McClelland's land in Plaquemine Cove, with the other improvements on said land; also, the logs at the mill, with the privilege of cutting Pine and White Oak trees on N E ¼ of N E ¼ of sec. 9, N W ¼ of N W ¼ of sec. 10, and S ½ of S W ¼ of sec. 3 in Township No. 9 south of Range No. 1.

Four Negro Men, to-wit:

Hannack, negro man, aged about 36 years
Scott, " " " " 28 "
Louis, " " " " 27 "
Henderson, " " " " 35 "
A proved Jack,
A Bean Horse,
Two Timber Wheels,
One small Two Horse Wagon,
One ox Cart, a Bulky,
A lot of Sawed Lumber at the mill,
A Reliefend, a mowing machine, &c., &c.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

The property to be sold on a credit of one, two and three years dating from 1st of April next. Purchasers to furnish their notes with good and solvent securities in solido, payable to the order of the administratrix at her domicil. The notes to bear eight per cent. per annum interest from maturity till paid. The lands and slaves to remain specially mortgaged and vendors privilege retained thereon in favor of said estate.

MARIE JULIE DAIGLE,
Administratrix.

Opelousas, Oct. 12, 1861.

Public Sale.

ESTATE OF THOMAS H. LEWIS, DECEASED.

BY virtue of an order of the Honorable the Eighth District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, bearing date 11th October, 1861, will be sold at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at the Court House, in Opelousas, through the ministry of a duly commissioned auctioneer,

On Thursday, 14th Nov. 1861,

the following described property belonging to the estate of the late Thomas H. Lewis, to-wit:

A Certain Tract of Land

situated on the east side of the west prong of the Plaquemine Brule, Parish of St. Landry, being half of a tract of

SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY ACRES

of land purchased by Thomas H. Lewis and James M. Porter, at the succession sale of the late Susan Welsh, as per *procès verbal* of said sale.

Terms and Conditions:

CASH, on the day of sale.

CALVIN A. FRAZEE,
Testamentary Executor.

Opelousas, Oct. 12, 1861.

Regular Opelousas Packet.

The magnificent Passenger Steamer ARKANSAW, C. C. PICKETT, Master, will run between New Orleans and Washington, St. Landry during the low water season, leaving Washington every Wednesday at 9 o'clock A. M., and New Orleans every Saturday at 5 P. M.

Consignees and passengers may rest assured that the strictest attention will be paid to passengers and freight, as well as upon the regularity of the weekly trip of said boat.

☞ For freight or passage, apply on board or to ——— at Washington.

C. C. PICKETT, Master.

St. Landry, October 12, 61. 1-f

Runaway in Jail.

A negro girl, who calls herself ROSALIN and says that she belongs to Don Louis Quintero, resident of this Parish, was lodged in the Parish Jail, at Opelousas, on THURSDAY, the 10th instant. She is about 5 feet high, 16 years old, and speaks French and English.

When brought to Jail she was chained to a large bristle dog.

The owner is requested to come forward, prove property and take her away, or she will be dealt with according to law.

RENE BAILIN, Jailor.

HEADQUARTERS LOUISIANA MILITIA.
Adjutant General's Office,
New Orleans, Sept. 28, 1861.

Orders No. 1147.

1. Major Generals of Divisions will, on receipt of this order, proceed immediately to the effective organization of the militia within the limits of their command.

2. In their respective regiments Colonels will cause the census of all persons subject to militia duty to be taken, by the company officers within the company beats. There will be two lists: on the one will be placed the names and residence of all persons between the ages of 18 and 45 subject to militia duty; and on the other, which shall be designated as the "Black List," will be placed the names and residence of all persons between the ages above mentioned, subject to said duty, who shall in any way attempt to evade the performance thereof, their aiders, abettors and advisers, or who shall in any manner obstruct the officers in the execution of their functions. Such persons shall be marked and designated as suspicious characters and enemies to the South.

3. No volunteer companies, unless organized and commissioned by the Governor, shall be recognized. Such organization shall be allowed five days from the promulgation of this order to apply for commissions. No home guards, or companies organized for service only within the limits of a town, city or parish, will be acknowledged, except companies or corps the members whereof are subjects of a foreign Prince or Government, or composed exclusively of persons over 45 years.

4. In the Regiments of the 1st Division, Captains of Companies will make, within three days after the receipt of this order, a true and correct return of the census thus made, through the proper channel, to the Major General. In the 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th Divisions, the returns of the census shall be made in a similar manner by Captains, within ten days after the receipt of this order.

5. Immediately after the returns having been made the Colonels of the Regiments of the 1st Division will order daily Company drills, after 3 o'clock, P. M., (Sunday excepted,) with full power and authority to the Captains or other Officers in command of the Company, to compel obedience to the orders, and to enforce strict military discipline. The Colonels shall order, at such time and place as he may deem proper, at least once a week, Battalion or Regimental drills. In the 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th Divisions, Colonels will order Company drills at least twice a week, giving the Captains full power and authority to enforce obedience to the orders, and also strict military discipline, and Colonels shall order Battalion or Regimental drills at such time and place, within the Regimental bounds as they may deem proper, at least three times a month.

Should any person refuse to obey any order thus given, or neglect to attend, without good and valid cause, the drills above mentioned, they shall be noted and marked as suspicious characters, treated accordingly, and it is the duty of all Captains and Colonels to report to Headquarters without delay, the name and residence of the delinquent.

6. At company, battalion or regimental drills, or for the performance of any duty ordered, or for musters and reviews, companies or corps shall report themselves present, with such arms as they may possess, whether muskets, rifles or shot guns, until it shall be in the power of the State to furnish other arms.

7. Every officer who shall neglect or refuse to carry out the object of this order, or shall fail to comply promptly with any order given by his superior—who shall fail or refuse to attend drills, musters, parades and reviews, without good and sufficient cause, shall be immediately placed under arrest and court-martialed.

8. Any person subject to militia duty, who shall refuse or neglect to perform such duty, or to attend company, battalion or regimental drills, musters or parades, besides being marked as suspicious, shall be subject to the fines imposed by the act of 1853, for each and every offence.

9. In the 1st Division, a permanent General Court Martial will be established, by the Commander-in-Chief, with power to convene at least once a week, in the city of New Orleans; and in the 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th Divisions there shall be a permanent General Court Martial, which shall convene at such place as the Commander-in-Chief may designate, three times a month, for the trial of other delinquents.

10. Major Generals, and all other officers in command of Divisions, are strictly charged with the execution of this order, and will enforce it to the fullest extent. They will make a report to the Adjutant General, the return of the Militia force within their respective commands, without delay.

By order of

THOS. O. MOORE,
Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

M. GRIVOT,
Adjutant and Inspector Gen'l La. Militia.

Orders No. 2.

HEADQUARTERS ST. LANDRY REGIMENT,
1st Brigade, 4th Division, L. M.

1st. The attention of the officers of this Regiment, is called to "Orders No. 1147" of his Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-chief, (a copy of which will be forwarded) and of orders No. 1 from Division Headquarters. A prompt and rigid enforcement of said orders will be exacted. Company officers will, therefore, proceed at once to take the census of their respective beats, and return the same within ten days to Headquarters.

2nd. Captains of volunteer companies, shall return the names and residence of the members of their commands to the captains of militia, in whose beat they are, said return to be made immediately after the publication of this order.

3rd. There shall be company drills twice a week, and at all drills or reviews, militiamen shall report themselves present with such arms as they may possess, whether muskets, rifles, or shot guns.

4th. All fines which have been hitherto collected, or which shall be hereafter collected, shall be immediately [illegible] to the Paymaster of this Regiment.

5th. For the convenience of this command, and for the purpose of promoting drill in the School of the Battalion, this regiment will be divided into three temporary battalions, each under the command of a field officer, who shall order battalion drills three times a month; at such time and place as he may deem proper.

The first battalion under the command of Lieut. Col. John K. King, shall consist of the commands of the volunteer companies commanded by Capt's. Ash, Scribner, Robin and Richard, and companies A. B. and C. of the militia commanded by Capt's. Barry, Hawkins and Smith.

The second battalion, under the command of Major J. O. Landry, shall consist of the commands of the volunteer company commanded by Capt. Baskins, and companies D. E. and G. of the militia commanded by Capt's. —— Cotterell and Feray.

The third battalion, under the command of the Colonel commanding, shall consist of the commands of the volunteer companies commanded by Capt's. Creagh and Thompson, and the militia companies F. H. I and J, commanded by Capt's. Shaw, acting Capt. Scott, Younger and Havard.

6th. The Colonel commanding would impress upon the company officers, the necessity of prompt and vigorous endeavors to instruct their commands in the drill, as a well grounded knowledge of company drill, is indispensable to battalion or regimental *manœuvres*.

By order of

ALLEN THOMAS,
Colonel Commanding.

S. J. BAILEY, Adjutant.

WANTED.

TWENTY good young men, to complete the Pointe Coupee Cavalry Company, now thoroughly organized, and in camp 1½ miles below Morganza, on the Mississippi river, in the Parish of Pointe Coupee.

Persons desirous of serving their country, now have a glorious opportunity of joining a splendid company, to join Scott's Regiment, and will undoubtedly see active service immediately.

Persons having horses will receive forty cents a day for their use, and they will be valued by government and be paid for if lost.—Those having none, will be furnished with them by the company. Uniforms, equipments, arms, &c., all furnished.

For further information, apply to Thomas C. Anderson, Esq., or those from St. Landry desirous of joining can take the Steamer Picayune and land at Morganza, and their expenses paid.

per order CAPT. O. LEJEUNE.
JOHN W. GRAHAM, O. S.

Oct. 5-61.

Wanted.

AN ENGLISH lady who has for the last twelve years been engaged in teaching, (in the South) is desirous of obtaining a situation, either as Governess in a family or as teacher in a school.

For particulars, a line addressed to Teacher, Washington, St. Landry Parish, La., will meet with prompt attention.

Opelousas, oct. 5. 1me.

TABLEAU.

STATE OF LOUISIANA—District Court Parish of St. Landry....No. 9290....Estate of Zenon Guillory, deceased.

AUGUSTIN GUILLORY, of the Parish of St. Landry, Administrator of the estate of Zenon Guillory, deceased, late of the Parish of Saint Landry, having filed a final tableau, settlement and division of said estate, accompanied by his petition praying that the same may be homologated and confirmed; And whereas, the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of Court dated Oct. 10 1861,

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all persons interested to show cause, if any they have, within thirty days from the date hereof, why said tableau should not be homologated and confirmed.

C. H. MOUTON, Judge
Eighth District Court.

Clerk's office, Opelousas, Oct. 12, 1861.

Mr. Editor: As I have received several letters from the Board of sub-agents receiving subscriptions, wherein they ask for instructions respecting the course they are to pursue, please publish the following circular just come to hand. This, together with the two which I have already issued, I am satisfied, will answer fully all enquiries.

B. A. MARTEL, Esq., Opelousas, La.

PRODUCE LOAN OFFICE

RULES ADOPTED.

The subscription lists and returns embrace two classes of items:

1. Articles, *the proceeds of the sale* of which are offered in exchange for bonds, including cotton, sugar, tobacco, rice, and a variety of crude or manufactured products.

2. Articles, *which are themselves* offered in such exchange.

In reference to the *first* class, there can of course be no difficulty. The caption of the lists is very explicit, and the agents may keep the lists open as long as they please, forwarding, however, sheets as they are filled up. The Secretary is authorized by an act of Congress to extend the time of sale when necessary to protect the property.

In reference to the *second* class of subscriptions they admit of this division:

1. Of Articles, such as shoes, tents, clothing, army cloth, coffee, etc.

2. Of provisions, such as corn, wheat, flour, hay, beeves, etc., near or convenient to Army depots.

3. Of the same articles remote from such depots.

4. Of articles of less value than fifty dollars.

The following rule has been adopted:

To accept the articles in the *first* class, at *once*, and request them to be forwarded to points which will be indicated. To accept the *second* upon delivery at Army depôts or to Army agents, the parties obtaining the receipt and valuation of the proper officer, and forwarding it to the Treasury Department. To decline the *third* class, unless the parties will sell and convert the proceeds into bonds. To decline also the *fourth* unless subscriptions of two or more can be aggregated to make a value of fifty or one hundred dollars, etc.

Parties will be furnished in advance with circulars from the office, indicating the course which will be adopted in regard to their subscriptions. No other than voluntary agents are provided for. Subscriptions as they become due will be arranged by special correspondence from the office with subscribers and their merchants, and it is believed that no other agency will be required for that purpose.

RICHMOND, September 19th, 1861.

Head Quarters, Fourth Division,
Louisiana Militia,
Opelousas, Oct. 3, 1861.

General Orders No. 1.

I. Officers commanding the Brigades of this Division: the First, assigned within the limits of the Parishes of St. Landry, Avoyelles, Lafayette, Vermillion and Calcasieu; and the Second, assigned within the limits of the Parishes of Rapides, Sabine, Natchitoches, Catahoula and Concordia; will, on the receipt of this order, proceed immediately to the effective organization of the Militia within the limits of their commands, as required by Orders No. 1147, issued from General Head-Quarters, under date of Sept. 28, 1861, by His Excellency, the Commander-in-Chief of the Militia of Louisiana, and report the same to Division Head-Quarters without delay.

2. Orders No. 1147, issued from General Head-Quarters will be strictly enforced by all the officers of the Militia within the limits of this command; and Colonels of Regiments, and Captains of Companies, will cause the same to be read at the head of their respective commands on the first day of muster after its receipt.

3. The duties of all officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates in the Militia, are defined in Sec. 19 of the Militia law of 1853, to be such as "by *Military law and usage* are required of similar grades in the army of the Confederate States, and by the laws of the State or the Confederate States," and a rigid compliance with military law and usage will be enforced.

By order of

JNO. G. PRATT, Brigadier General,
Commanding the Fourth Division.

JNO. A. TAYLOR, Aid-de-Camp.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED Druggist has determined in future to restrict his sales to cash for articles in his line of business, except with punctual customers who may open accounts which, however, he reserves the right of closing every two months.

At the same time, he avails himself of the present opportunity to solicit a continuance of patronage from his old friends and customers.

H. S. DUNBAR,
Grand Coteau, Sept. 25, -61. Druggist.
Oct. 5th, 1-f

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Instructions in both Languages,
French and English.
For the conditions apply to
C. E. DURAND.
October 12,-61.—1y

CANDIDATES.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. BYTHELL HAYNES as a candidate for the office of Auditor of Public Accounts at the election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. HYPOLITE PERRALTA of East Baton Rouge, as a candidate for Auditor of Public Accounts. Election in next November.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr B. L. DEFREESE, the present incumbent, as a candidate for State Treasurer. Election in next November.

☞ Please announce that HENRY AVERY, the present Superintendent of Public Education, is a candidate for re-election.

☞ We are authorized to announce CYRUS THOMPSON as a candidate for Auditor of Public Accounts at the election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce LUCIUS J DUPRE, as a candidate for Congress of the Confederate State, for the Fourth Congressional District composed of the parishes of St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Landry, Lafayette, Vermillion, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge, Iberville and West Feliciana.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. ROBERT TAYLOR, of the Parish of Lafayette, as a candidate to represent the Parishes of St. Landry, Lafayette and Calcasieu in the State Senate.

☞ We are authorized to announce WILLIAM COTTRELL as a candidate for reelection to the State Senate. Election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. JAMES M. PORTER as a candidate to represent the Parishes of St. Landry, Lafayette and Calcasieu in the State Senate.

☞ We are authorized to announce Dr. JOHN A. TAYLOR as a candidate to represent the Parishes of Lafayette, St. Landry and Calcasieu in the State Senate. Election to take place in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce that JOSEPH M. MOORE is a candidate to represent this parish in the Lower House of the State Legislature.

☞ We are authorized to announce that Dr. ALEXIS O. GUIDRY is a candidate for the Legislature. Election in November next.

☞ We are authorized in the name of THOMAS C. ANDERSON to thank his friends for inviting him to be a candidate for reelection to the Legislature, and to state that he consents to run.

☞ We are authorized to announce that R. J. SMITH is a candidate to represent this parish in the Lower House of the State Legislature.

☞ We are authorized to announce SOLOMON B. HARMAN as a candidate to represent this Parish in the Lower House of the State Legislature.

Election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce A. R. HAWKINS as a candidate to represent this Parish in the Lower House of the State Legislature.

Election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce Dr. J. A. McMillan as a candidate for the Legislature. Election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce J. J. MORGAN as a candidate for the Legislature. Election in November next.

Messrs. Editors,

Be so good as to announce in your paper that I am a candidate for the office of Recorder, which I now fill. The election will take place in November next. YVES D'AVY.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. ADOLPHE GARRIGUES as a candidate for the office of Recorder of this parish. Election in November next.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. VILLENEUVE JOUBERT, the present incumbent, as a candidate for Parish Assessor Election in November.

☞ We are authorized to announce THOMAS McCRORY as a candidate to represent the Third Police Jury Ward of the Parish of St. Landry. Election in November next.

Mr. Editor Opelousas Patriot:

Yielding to the wishes of many friends, I consen to be a candidate to represent the Second Police Jury Ward, comprising Gros Chevreuil, Grand Coteau and Coulee Croche, at the election in November next. Yours, &c.

FRANCOIS C. DEVILLIERS.

Mr. Editor Opelousas Patriot:

At the kind solicitations of my friends, to whom I would tender sincere thanks, I consent to be a candidate for Sheriff, at the election in November next. Respectfully

L. V. CHACHERE.

Humble Cottage L∴ No. 19.
F∴ A∴ M∴

A regular meeting of this W∴ L∴ will be held on WEDNESDAY, Oct. 16th, at 4 o'clock P. M.

Transient brothers, in good standing, are invited to attend.

By order of the W∴ M∴

S. E. LOEB, Secretary.

Opelousas, October 12, 1861.

Notice.

TO all non-residents and front proprietors, owning Lands fronting on the Atchafalaya River, in the Parish of St. Landry, in the First Road and Levee District.

You are hereby notified to make immediate repairs required by law on your Roads and Levees, by the First day of November, 1861; otherwise I will proceed to have said work advertised for adjudication as the law directs.

SAM. T. ROGERS,
Road and Levee Inspector of First
Sept. 28, 1m. Road and Levee District.

Election.

BY virtue of a proclamation of his Excellency, Thomas O. Moore, Governor of the State of Louisiana, bearing date the 19th day of September, A. D. 1861, the qualified voters of the Parish of St. Landry are hereby notified that an Election will be held throughout said Parish at the different Precincts hereinafter mentioned, and under the superintendence of the Commissioners of election for that purpose, appointed by the Police Jury on Wednesday 6th November 1861, for the purpose of electing one Representative to the Congress of the Confederate States, for the Fourth Congressional District, composed of the Parishes of of West Feliciana, Point Coupée, West Baton Rouge, Iberville, St. Landry, Lafayette, Vermillion, St. Martin and St. Mary.

One Elector for President and Vice President, from and for each of the six Electoral Districts of this State, and two Electors from the State at large to be chosen by general ticket by the vote of the whole State.

The Polls will be opened at 9 o'clock in the morning and kept open until 4 o'clock, P. M., at the following Precincts, and under the superintendence of the Commissioners of Election appointed by the Police Jury, to wit:

1st. precinct, at the Court House, Opelousas, by Daniel Sheuble, Joel R. Sandoz and Adolphe Garrigues.

3d. precinct, at the town Hall in Washington, by James McDaniel, R. S. Wilkins and James Melancon

3d. precinct, at Jules Mistrick's, Gros Chevreuil, by D. J. Saizan, Benjamin Dejean and Ladger Lastrapes.

" — at Adelin Durio's Coffee House, Arnaudville, by Valmont Stelly, Adeodate Stelly and Alcide Kerlekand.

4th precinct at Auguste Vouaux, Grand Coteau, by B. A. Smith, Eugene Petetin and Thomas S. Hardy.

5th. precinct, at Donlouis Richard's, Bellevue, by John P. Hudson, Lezin Lavergne and John C. Barry.

6th. precinct, at the store of Carroll and Keough, Lower Plaquemine, by Madison Lyons, T. J. Sloane and James Hayes.

" — at Onezime Traban, fils, Queue Tortue, by Aurelin Arceneaud, Onezime T. Guidry and Stephen Andrus.

" — at the store of Damonville Bernard, Queue Tortue, by Manasseh Huffpower, Donlouis Breaux and Manoah Huffpower.

7th. precinct, at Joseph E. Daigle's upper Plaquemine, by Valetin D. Breaux, Eugene L. Fox and Louis M. Leger.

" — at Alexandre Daigle, pere dec'd, point aux-Loup, by Antoine Carte, Sefroy Herbert and Alexandre Daigle.

8th. precinct, at L. D. Verret's store, Bois Mallet by L. E. Verret, S. M. Young and Sylvain Sonnier.

" — at Pierre Derbanne's, Bois Mallet, by Thomas Johnson, Ortere Bourgeois and François Joubert.

" — at Jn. Bte. Courville's Faketalque, by Pierre H. Megee, Thomas H. Megee fils and Valentin Savoie.

9th. precinct, at Jn. Lafleur's Chataignier, by Dorein Lafleur, Aulin Vidrine and Valmont Ledoux.

" — at Theophile Fontenot's Ville Platte, by Louis Stagg, Yves Vidrine and Jean Vidrine.

10th. precinct, at the store of James Akenhead, Bayou Chicot, by G. C. Wolf, W. S. Cushman and Elisha Whittington.

" — at Charles Johnson Jr. Pine Prairie, by Leon Johnson, Leon Campbell and Levy Campbell.

11th. precinct, at the store of Philippe Stagg, Old Grand Prairie, by Philippe Stagg, Louis Fontenot and Augustin Guillory.

12th. precinct, at school House No. 3, Bayou Boeuf, by Thomas McCrory, Lastie M. Lafleur and W. H. Lewis.

" — at Peter Collin's store, Moundville, by John S. Edwards, L. A. Webb and John Andrus.

13th. precinct, at the store of W. W. Chisholm & Co., Atchafalaya, by W. Burton, F. Hathorn and S. J. C. Gordon.

" — at John Lyon's, Atchafalaya, by M. W. Reed, W. H. Watson and W. G. Henderson.

14th. precinct, at the School House in sackett, in Waxia, by A. R. Hawkins, Joseph Melançon and Jesse Bihm.

15th. precinct, at the School House near Beauchamp & Oliver, on Bayou Petite Prairie, by R. W. Heath, G. W. Rutledge and E. B. Carter.

" — at the store of Jonathan Morris, Bayou Rouge, by L. S. Havard, Lewis G. Sloane and Isaac Hayes.

" — at John E. Frith's, Bayou Rouge by John E. Frith, Barnabas Carnes and W. S. Henderson.

16th. precinct, at Joseph Landreneau's, Prairie Mamouth, by Joachim Landreneau, Orellien Landreneau and Jean Pierre Landreneau.

17th. precinct, at Napoleon Andrepont's, in Prairie Plaisance, by Christoval L. Dupre, Yorick Valade and François Dupre.

18th. precinct, at John Wright's, Mermento, by Theogene Leger, Treville Landry and John Wright.

" — at Placide Le Blanc's, at Lyons Point, by Edward M. Brousard, Edward Navarre and Placide Le Blanc.

" — at Dupre Plaisance's, Queue Tortue, by Dupre Plaisance, George Huffpower and Thomas Huffpower.

19th. precinct, at the School House, on Coulee Croche, by Leon Thibodeau, Marcel Richard and Oliviers D. Guidry.

Said Election to be conducted, and returns thereof made in all respects according to the provisions of the Constitution and laws in such cases made and provided.

Also, on the same day, and at the same places, and within the same hours, there shall be held an election for six members of the Police Jury, for the term of two years, to-wit:

One member for the First Police Jury Ward, formed out of the following old Police Jury Wards, to-wit: Opelousas, Bellevue and Plaisance.

One member for the Second Police Jury Ward, comprising Grand Coteau, Prairie Gros Chevreuil and Coulée Croche.

One member for the Third Police Jury Ward, comprising Washington, Moundville, Bayou Boeuf, Waxia, Old Grand Prairie, Big Cane and Atchafalaya.

One member for the Fourth Police Jury Ward, comprising Ville Platte, Little Prairie, Mamou, Chataigner, Pine Woods and Bayou Chicot.

One member for the Fifth Police Jury Ward, comprising Upper Plaquemine, Point aux Loups, Faketalque and Mallet Woods.

One member for the Sixth Police Jury Ward, comprising Lower Plaquemine, Mermento, Lyons Point and Queue Tortue.

Each elector qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly shall have the right to vote for a member of the Police Jury in the Ward in which he may reside.

The qualifications of the members of the said Police Jury shall be the same as required for members to the General Assembly.

Returns of their election shall be made to the Sheriff of the Parish of St. Landry, at his office in the town of Opelousas. Said election to be conducted in all respects according to the provisions of the Constitution and laws in such cases made and provided.

Commissioners of Election will please compile at every one of their respective polls, if there are three ballot boxes. If not, write instantly so that I may provide for them immediately.

Given under my hand and seal at my office in the town of Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, this 28th day of September, A. D., 1861.

L. V. CHACHERE, Sheriff.

Editor Opelousas Patriot.

Sir:

Please insert in your next issue the following notice.

FELLOW CITIZENS OF ST. LANDRY:—Unexpectedly I re-appear to-day before you after having retired from public life. I do so; neither as an office-seeker nor as a politician, but as a mere citizen answering to a public duty.

I know that my efforts shall not be in vain, as I speak for the CONFEDERATE GOVERNMENT to the fathers and mothers, who have yet their sons about the paternal roof, to come forward to the aid of the braves who are fighting our battles.

I know so, because I appeal to the fathers, mothers, wives, and widows of those gallant volunteers who have left everything which is dear to noble hearts to rush to the field of honor.

Our Government is ourselves. We must sustain it or fall with it. We must show our confidence in its stability and strength by pledging to it our fortunes as our defenders pledge their lives and their liberty upon its success or its fall.

The Government proposes to buy a portion of our corn, for the support of our army and pay in will Confederate bonds, bearing 8 per cent. interest.

This move, if well understood, will give character abroad to our Government. Let our contributions be ever so small, the number of subscriptions will show the popularity of our government and the confidence we ourselves place in our leaders.

Let every one come forward willing to consecrate his fortune or his creditors.

The Bonds of the Confederate States will answer for gold and silver with all good PATRIOTS.

Creditors having objections to the above is- are requested to make it known at my town of Opelousas or by mail. I will and will address the people in di- of the Parish.

Confidence, yours &c.

A. MARTEL, Commissioner.

Public Sale.

Eighth Judicial District Court of St. Landry, 1861, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Court House, in the town of Opelousas, on Thursday 24th October 1861, the following property, belonging in common to James M. Porter and his minor children, heirs of Mary Thompson, lately deceased, to wit:

The lot and office in the town of Opelousas, formerly occupied by Thomas H. Lewis & Porter as a Law office, and situated on Court street, nearly opposite the Court House. The dimensions of the lot will be made known on the day of sale.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

At a credit of one, two, and three years from the day of sale. Purchaser to furnish his notes with good and solvent security in solido, bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum interest from maturity, and payable to James M. Porter, Tutor, at his office in the town of Opelousas. Special mortgage and vendor's privilege retained on the property until full and entire payment of capital and interest.

Also on the same day and at the same place, the following property belonging to the minor children of said Porter, and the late Mary Thompson, to wit:

The undivided half of Three hundred and twenty acres of Land, situated on Plaquemine Brules, being a part of 640 acres purchased by Thomas H. Lewis and James M. Porter, at the succession sale of Susan Welsh, deceased, as per procès verbal of said sale.

Terms and Conditions cash on the day of sale.

JAMES M. PORTER, Tutor.

Sept. 21, 1861.

Prairie Rangers.

This company which has been in contemplation for several weeks, having delayed organization until Capt. Garland's corps left, is now ready to receive all those who may be desirous of joining. The officers of the Rangers are natives and well known citizens of our community.

Captain, Willis Prescott,
1st Lieutenant, F. A. King,
2nd " Frank Offutt,
2nd Jr. " Jules Debaillon.

All applying will call on or address Lieut. King at Opelousas.

Regular Opelousas and New Orleans Packet.

Low Water Arrangement.

THE magnificent passenger steamer Planter No. 3, will leave Washington every Wednesday at 10 o'clock A. M. and leave New Orleans every Saturday at 5 P. M.

Will take freight for all intermediate landings. For freight or passage apply on board.

C. C. PICKETT, Master.

September 7th, 1861.

EDUCATION.

AN english lady wishes to engage as a governess in a family. She has spent many years in the profession, and is well qualified to give instruction in all the higher branches of a finished education. She is also a good teacher of music and of the French language.

Address A. B. in care of W. Kaplan, Esq., Big Cane, St. Landry.

J. M. White, Carpenter,

OFFERS his services to the citizens of Opelousas and vicinity who need any work done in his business.

He understands perfectly the construction of and all kinds of Patent Presses.

Jobs done promptly, in a workmanlike manner and charges moderate.

All orders left at this Office will receive immediate attention.

January 19th 1861.—3m.

ST. LANDRY GRAYS.

Attention!!

This company being now fully organized will drill every Tuesday and Saturday at 5 o'clock.

By order of the Captain.

F. RUSSEL,
Orderly Sergeant.

NOTICE.

CAPTAIN CHARLES DE COURSEY, architect and surveyor, offers his professional services to the public of St. Landry. All orders left at the Union Hotel will be promptly attended to. He will be found there every Saturday.

March 9th 1819.—1y.

THE undersigned being about to join the "Sons of Liberty" in Louisiana, sells his negro man MORGAN MARS to realize a little money against his departure.

The man is a beautiful mulatto, about [illegible] years old and gentle in harness.

D. C. [illegible]

Sept. 14, 1861.

Dr. Jno. R. Vaughan,

HAVING located on Bayou Boeuf, 12 miles West of Opelousas, respectfully offers his services to those in his vicinity.

Sept. 14, 1861.—1y.