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No. 31.

TIME TABLE.

TEXAS AND PACIFIC RAILWAY.
EDGARD STATION.
(FORMERLY ST. JOHN.)
Passenger trains going East.

No. 52. Cannon Ball	6.55 A. M.
No. 54. New Orleans Mail	3.15 P. M.
No. 56. Accommodation	9.11 A. M.
No. 59. "Merry Widow"	5.40 P. M.

Passenger Trains going West.

No. 51. Texas Mail	9.25 P. M.
No. 53. Texas Express	11.05 A. M.
No. 55. Accommodation	6.27 P. M.
No. 59. "Merry Widow"	8.50 A. M.

The Leger and Lorio transfer meets all ains, excepting Nos. 51, 52, 53 and 60 unless otherwise notified.

YAZOO AND MISSISSIPPI VALLEY RAILWAY.
RESERVE STATION.
Passenger trains going East.

No. 33. Baton Rouge Accommodation	8.33 A. M.
No. 31. Vicksburg Express	4.15 P. M.

Passenger trains going West.

No. 22. Vicksburg Express	8.30 A. M.
No. 34. Baton Rouge Accommodation	5.30 P. M.

FRISCO RAILWAY.
"LOUISIANA RAILWAY AND NAVIGATING COMPANY'S TRUCK" RESERVE STATION.
Passenger trains going East (Stop on Signal.)

No. 2	7.18 P. M.
No. 4	5.54 "

Passenger trains going West.

No. 1	7.35 A. M.
No. 3	8.51 P. M.

The Montz transfer meets these trains daily.

Halimah Tribe, No. 101. I. O. R. M., have posters out announcing a grand Carnival to be held at Edrington Park, Reserve, for two days only, Saturday and Sunday, August 27 and 28.

There will be running races, moving pictures, a merry-go-round, Punch and Judy Show, celebrated songs by renowned artists and a complete vaudeville show. Music, dancing and refreshments at moderate prices. Further particulars will be given in our next issue.

The independent steamboat Gem, the all-year round packet, will make three trips a week commencing Monday, the 8. The boat will leave New Orleans, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2 p. m.

The Police Jury, at its sitting of Thursday, decided to exact from the constables throughout the parish the enforcement of the dog ordinance. These officers must therefore kill all dogs found roaming without a license tag.

Weather and Crop Notes.

The "back-bone" of the wet spell is broken and "Old Sol" is once more in his glory. And how he does warm up things!

The heat is intense and during the week the mercury has climbed up in the nineties.

Every one complains except the ice man.

The cane planters are "laying by" the several patches which remained when interrupted by the rains. The rice farms are, with few exceptions, ready for the sickle, and shortly we will hear the shrill blast of the thrasher whistle.

Surprise Party.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvere Fabre was the scene of frolic and gaiety Sunday evening, the occasion being the nineteenth anniversary of their daughter, Miss Ida.

Friends had assembled from far and near to come and surprise the young lady and to wish her many returns of the joyous event.

The parlor and dining room were soon occupied with merry dancers.

Among those present, were Mmes. Sylvere Fabre, Augustin LeBoeuf, J. L. Lapeze, L. P. Brou, Jean Berthelot and Mmes. Aimee and Lucille Schexnaydre, Philomene and Maria Brou; Aline Berthelot, Irma Faucheux; El-mire, Ida and Anna Fabre; Irma, Aline and Rita Perret; Celine, Thelcide and Emilie LeBoeuf; Alice Lapeze; Effie, Pauline, Odette and Anna Laurent; Melodie Tassin and Adella Barre.

Messrs. A. J. Schexnaydre; Alcee Fabre; Roger and Camille Roussel; Arthur Gelpie; Joseph Dugas; Walter and Willie Borne; Ursin Laurent; Joseph Keller; Zephyrin, Isaie, Felicien and Septime Tassin; Raoul Becnel; Joseph and Elmore LeBoeuf and Dave Perret.

Hunting Licenses.

Hunters throughout the parish can now secure their licenses under which to enjoy the privilege of hunting during the ensuing year.

The old licenses expired some-times ago, and Sheriff Berthelot received the new blanks on Monday.

All devotees of the sport should at once secure a license, without which they will be liable to arrest and prosecution in conformity with the game laws of the State.

BASEBALL.

Garyville 9. Braquets 5.

Before one of the largest crowds that ever attended a ball game on the local diamond, Garyville defeated the unbeatable Braquets by a score of 9 to 5.

The game though listless and not very interesting, was featured by the heavy hitting of the locals.

Batteries:
Garyville: Peltz and H. Landry.
Braquets: Gundolf and Pagnac.
Attendance: 700.

Time of game: 1 hour and 35 minutes.
Umpire: Jeantroux.

The Garyville management have gladly accepted the challenge of the Vache-rie Browns, and will play them on August 21, for any amount they may see fit.

Tomorrow the Garyville play the Hoffmanns of New Orleans.

Races at Glendale Road.

Posters are out announcing five harness races at Messrs. Burch and Champagne's Glendale Road, tomorrow Sunday, August 7th. The horses which will be entered are all owned by well-known citizens of this and St. Charles parish.

PROGRAM:

- 1st Race: Emile Dutreix "Colin" vs. M. St. Pierre's "Dolly Gray."
 - 2nd Race: A. J. Burch's "Tommy" vs. L. Landry's "Marjorie B."
 - 3rd Race: Dr. J. P. Elmore's "George" vs. Jimmy Patterson's "Lightfoot."
 - 4th Race: J. B. Murphy's "Reynolds" vs. R. Dubroca's "J. Y. Sanders."
 - 5th Race: Emile Hempel's "King" vs. Jimmy Patterson's "Long Distance."
- Races start at 3.30 P. M.
Admission: Gentlemen 25c. Ladies and children free.

Tennis.

The La Place Tennis Club played its first game on the La Place court last Sunday, when it easily defeated the Convent Club. The court was in perfect order and the many seats which had been placed around the court were crowded with spectators, the fair sex dominating in point of attendance.

The La Place Club was represented by Messrs. Nelson Mader, Peter St. Martin, Prof. A. B. Whitlow, Henry and Sidney Maurin, while the Convent was represented by Dr. Clarence Hargis, Messrs. Benny Dicharry, Walter Harang, Guy Donaldson and M. Edrington. Fivesets were played all of which were captured by La Place.

A very interesting match is being arranged for the near future to be played between La Place and Reserve Clubs.

5 or 6 doses "666" will cure any case of Chills and Fever. Price 25c.

Proceedings of the Police Jury

—OF THE— Parish of St. John the Baptist.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1910.

The Police Jury met this day in regular session with the Hon. A. Lasseigne in the chair and the following members present: Messrs. Le Brun, Barré, Bourgeois, Song and Nagel. Absent: none.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The finance Committee reported favorably upon the following bills, which were ordered paid—

Andrew Nagel, work in road	\$188.75
P. Barré, framing parish map	35.00
P. Barré, work in road	42.90
St. John Ice Company, Ice furnished	4.60
Corbin Bros., For Cement walks	325.60
D. Richarme, small pox, 6th ward	34.40
Paul Berthelot, sheriff, Poll Taxes	81.00
" " conveying	"
Gustave Francois from New Orleans to Parish Jail	70.75
Paul Berthelot, sheriff, Attending Court, 3 days	15.00
R. Webb, Repairing gutters on Court-house	1.50
James Buckley & Co., stationery Emilien Laudumiev, small pox, 1st ward	10.85
P. René Montz, Tel. Messages and hauling lumber	9.00
John Dorsey, work in road	1.60
D. Richarme, small pox, work in road	23.00
Frank Rour, work in road	35.45
The Songy Planting Co., Mdse and Drugs	78.00
Dr. L. Caboché, vaccinations, 3rd ward	4.04
People's Pharmacy, Drugs	88.35
J. T. Landache, Mdse for small pox, 4th ward	2.00
J. P. Ronquillo, small pox 4th ward	3.80
L. Hymel, small pox guard	12.20
Dr. L. T. Donaldson, small pox	30.00
P. René Montz, paper rack	14.35
" " " " " "	5.00

The following reports were received and approved:

D. Richarme, for killing 27 dogs.
Gustave Sachoz, for killing 19 dogs.

The tableau of expenditures for the year 1910 having been published in the official journal of the parish, according to Law, during the thirty days, was approved.

Moved by Mr. Bourgeois and seconded by Mr. Barré, that the rate of taxation be levied as follows: Seven (7) mills; Four (4) mills for the parish and Three (3) mills for school purposes.

A vote being called, resulted as follows: Yeas: Songy, Barré, LeBrun, Bourgeois, Nagel and Lasseigne. Nays: none.

Adopted.

Moved by Mr. Nagel and seconded by Mr. Barré, that the secretary notify all constables to be present at the next meeting of the Police Jury. Adopted.

There being no further business, on motion duly seconded, the Jury adjourn.

A. LASSEIGNE,
President.

A true copy:
HAMILTON BODIN,
Secretary.

An Agricultural Evolution.

The boll weevil has taken Louisiana out of the column of important cotton-growing States, and many a Louisiana cotton farmer, content through the years to grow cotton and buy his food and feed-stuffs, has been robbed of an occupation that never paid him well. Of course, some confusion and much chagrin followed in the path made by the pest. But in a little while the ex-cotton farmer began to see things for himself that many a scientist had been trying in vain to make him see during a long time. He discovered that the Creator intended man to use the Louisiana soil for the production of food rather than for the production of clothing. As a result of this discovery prosperous truck gardens have begun to spring up all over the State. Here is an illustration of what this evolution means to the State of Louisiana:

The Town of Independence, boasts a population of some 600 souls—men, women and children. During the strawberry season recently closed 650 carloads of strawberries, averaging 700 crates per car, were shipped from Independence. Most of the berries went to Chicago. The average price per crate was \$1.40. The bank at Independence reports that, during the berry season, brokers, farmers and others deposited \$1,250,000 as a result of the strawberry business. The bank estimates that of this amount \$614,250 was net profit to the strawberry grower. This is an average of \$1,000 per unit of town population on one crop. Several crops of food can be and are being grown on the lands around Independence.

The experience of Independence can be repeated practically every year by nearly every town in the rich land belt of Louisiana. This is far better even than big crops of high-price cotton.

The Better Plan.

Recognizing the fact that it requires a large sum of money to organize, construct, and operate a great International Exposition on a scale, befitting the important achievement which it proposes to celebrate, the Exposition Company has requested the Governor to convene the Legislature in extraordinary session in order to effect change in the plan of the tax provided in the pending Constitutional Amendment. The Executive Committee proposes to relieve the tax payers of the expense of the proposed extra session by paying the cost of it out of the funds raised by private subscription to defray the expense of the Exposition Company, hence, this will remove objections on that score.

The purpose of the extra session ought to appeal to the people of the Country parishes for the change proposed in the amendment, while it will increase the aggregate of the tax paid by New Orleans, will reduce the aggregate of that to be paid by the country tax payers. To be specific, the proposition is to make no change in the tax rate, but to limit the term for the country parishes to such time as shall be required to make the aggregate of the country tax one million dollars, when it will cease automatically. The measure now before the people contemplates raising \$1,250,000 from the country parishes, hence, a quarter of a million dollars will be saved to the tax payers outside of New Orleans by the adoption of the proposed amendment.

On the other hand, the term of the tax as it applies to New Orleans will be extended until it aggregates the sum of \$6,500,000, when it also will cease automatically. The ratio between City and Country on the amount to be raised by taxation, will be as six and a half to one; a fact that ought to be accepted as an earnest of the good faith with which New Orleans has entered upon this great undertaking.

This should not be construed to mean that the tax proposed will supersede the subscriptions, more than a million of which have been raised already. On the contrary, the work of raising subscriptions is being pushed with more vigor than ever, and the effort is being made to enlist the financial interest of every person in New Orleans, and of a great many public spirited citizens in every Southern City in this monumental enterprise which means so much to all.

It requires seven and a half million dollars to enable New Orleans to meet the conditions imposed by the Congressional Committee, but the Exposition Company recognizes that this amount will not be sufficient to celebrate a great

Exposition such as that by which New Orleans proposes to celebrate the completion of the Panama Canal to the commerce of the Nations. Therefore, she proposes to raise the full amount of her guarantee by special taxation in order that its soundness may be unassailable and, by private subscription, she proposes to raise such additional sum as shall enable her to give to the world the greatest Exposition that mankind has yet witnessed.

In this patriotic effort New Orleans, gladly assuming what must be considered to be an ultra liberal portion of the burden, cordially invites the people of the country parishes to share with her the honor of bringing about so glorious a consummation.

Extra Session Requested.

The world's Panama Exposition Company has asked the Governor to call a special session of the General Assembly to revise the Exposition Tax Amendment. The present Constitutional Amendment as adopted by the recent regular session provides for a tax of 3/8 of a mill in the country parishes and 3/4 of a mill in Orleans Parish to run until the sum of \$4,000,000 shall have been raised thereby.

Under the new Constitutional Amendment which it is proposed to submit to this special session, the country parishes will still pay 3/8 of a mill and Orleans Parish will still pay 3/4 of a mill, but the essential difference is this:

Under the original plan, the country parishes would have paid as their proportion of the \$4,000,000 a total of about \$1,250,000 and Orleans Parish would have paid about \$2,750,000. In other words, the country parishes would have paid about 33 per cent of the whole, or a ratio of about 1 to 2.

Under the new plan, the tax in the country automatically ceases when \$1,000,000 shall have been paid by the country parishes, which reduces the total amount they will pay about \$250,000,—or a reduction for the country parishes of 20 per cent, and the tax runs in Orleans Parish until it produces \$6,500,000.

Thus you can see, the ratio instead of being 1 to 2 for the country, will be 1 to 6 1/2,—and in addition to reducing the country's total tax 20 per cent, this new plan reduces their proportion of the whole from 33 per cent to 13 per cent.

Surely no better evidence can be offered of New Orleans' desire and willingness to do her full share in securing this exposition. Besides the \$6,500,000 which Orleans Parish will pay of this tax, her business men and firms have voluntarily contributed \$1,200,000,—and will continue to contribute, as we are now determined to go to Washington with \$10,000,000.



A Habit Acquired in the Sick-Room.
The late Justice Brewer was presiding, years ago, over a civil case in which one of the important witnesses was a horse-doctor named Williams. The doctor was a small man with a weak little voice, and the counsel on both sides, as well as the Court and jury, had great difficulty in hearing his testimony.

During cross-examination the counsel for the plaintiff became exasperated and began to prod and harry the little man.

"Dr. Williams," he shouted, "if we are ever going to get anywhere with this case you must speak up so the Court will hear you. Speak up loud and strong sir!"

The small-sized veterinary tried, but it was evidently no use. Whether from embarrassment or inability the sound would not come.

"Well, your Honor—" began the counsel indignantly, when Judge Brewer stopped him with a gesture. Leaning over the bench, he said, in his kindly tone:

"Mr. Attorney, you must be patient with the doctor. He can not help it. Years spent in the sick room have apparently made speaking low a second nature with him."—*The Green Bag.*

A Connoisseur.—"When Mark Twain came to Washington to try and get a decent copyright law passed, a Representative took him out one afternoon to Chevy Chase," said a correspondent.

"Mark Twain refused to play golf himself, but he consented to walk over the course and watch the Representative's strokes.

"The Representative was rather a duffer. Teeing off, he sent clouds of earth flying in all directions. Then, to hide his confusion, he said to his guest:

"What do you think of our links here, Mr. Clemens?"

"Best I ever tasted," said Mark Twain as he wiped the dirt from his lips with his handkerchief.—*Washington Star.*

Truthful, Anyway.—The vicar, observing one of his flock coming out of the village public-house, gravely said to him, "John, my friend, I am sorry to see you coming out of a public-house."

"Yes, yer reverence, an' Ah's sorry to be seen comin' out; but as Ah's nee money left, and U' landlord won't put it on U' slate, Ah had U' ecom out, otherwise tho' wouldn't ha' sin me for an hour or twa as yit."—*Tie-Bits.*

Corrected.—First Woman—"Look here! Did you say I stole that tanner you lost?"

Second Woman—"No, I didn't. I only said that if you hadn't 'elped me to look for it I might have found it."—*Tie-Bits.*

Gallant.—She—"If I were a man, I should never marry."

He—"If you were a man, I should never marry."—*M. A. P.*

A Young Theologian.—Minister—"And how did Noah spend his time in the ark?"

Small Boy—"Fishin'."

Minister—"A very reasonable suggestion, my lad."

Small Boy (guardedly)—"But he wouldn't catch muckle."

Minister (surprised)—"What make ye think that?"

Small Boy (knowingly)—"Because, he see, he had only twa wir-rms!"—*London Sketch.*

Blest Be Nothing.—Wife—"The doctor writes that in view of our poor circumstances he will not present his bill immediately."

Artist—"We are lucky that our circumstances are no better; if they were, we might have to pay at once!"—*Fliegende Blaetter.*

Stupid People!—Traveler—"Haven't you a time-table?"

Station-Agent—"We used to have one until the people began to think the trains were supposed to keep to it."—*Fliegende Blaetter.*

A Summer Banquet.

Cool wind a-blowin', an' here's a shady tree
An a Georgy watermelon whose heart is true
to me.

Here's where I am readin' Trouble's epitaph:
Seem's like you're cuttin' Happiness in half!
Your sweetheart may leave you and find a
lover new.

But the red heart of the melon is the sweet
heart an' true.

Slice it in the middle—take a shady seat;
Cool as all creation, an' the juice a-drippin'
sweet!
(Constitution.)

5 or 6 doses "666" will cure any case of Chills and Fever. Price 25c.

TO THE PUBLIC.

The "Meschacébe" printing shop is now equipped for "JOB WORK" of all kinds, a new press having been received during the week.

All orders for posters, dodgers, bill heads, letter heads, cards etc., etc., will receive prompt attention. Our charges will be as moderate as good work will permit.

For Sale.

Second hand Cypress cisterns, any dimensions.
For prices and other particulars, apply to
J. I. RODRIGUE,
Lucy, La.

NOTICE.

Reserve July 28, 1910.

To whom it may concern: As a member of the firm of "Bodin, Perilloux & Co.," I have this day made application for a dissolution of the partnership of said firm.

JOHN J. SCHEXNAILDRE.

For Sale.

Property (known as the late Judge Gaudet's), at Edgard, St. John Parish. Desirable location. A bargain. Keys next door at E. A. Leger.

Near Catholic Church, Court-house and Edgard High School.

Apply for full particulars to W. J. MARTINEZ, 111 Magazine Street, New Orleans, La., or at this Office.

FOR SALE.

The property of Dr. W. Thompson, situated at Frenier, and measuring about 125 acres.

Apply to J. V. CHENET,
Mount Airy, La.

For Sale

We have a large lot of Second Hand brick for sale. Reasonable prices. Apply, MONTGUT PLANTING COMPANY, Limited, La Place, La.

NOTICE.

I am applying to the Honorable Police Jury of this Parish for a permit to conduct a bar room for the sale of beer and malt only for the year 1910, in the 4th ward, all in accordance with Act 175 of 1908.

EDWIN CAMBER.