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THE BANK OF ST. JOHN RESERVE, LOUISIANA BEGAN BUSINESS DECEMBER 5 1904

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SURPLUS - - - - - \$15,000

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Archbishop Is Still Better, Telegraphs Physician

Dr. Points Wires "Condition" Favorable
Asks About New Orleans Friends.

Marked improvement in the condition of Archbishop James Blenk was reported Tuesday in a telegram received from Dr. J. Frank Points, New Orleans physician, who has been the archbishop's personal doctor for the past three years. Dr. Points went to Chicago Sunday morning when His Grace's condition was pronounced grave.

The telegram received by members of Dr. Points' family, filed in Chicago at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, is:

"Archbishop better, condition favorable. Temperature 100, pulse 92, respiration 26. His Grace is very cheerful and has inquired about friends in New Orleans."

According to reports, the archbishop's illness was caused by a cold contracted en route from Havana to New York or in New York.

Before the churchman left Havana, where he went to interview the Mexican refugee bishops, he sent word to friends here that he was enjoying the best of health.

It had been his intention to return to New Orleans, and he went unprovided for the cold weather encountered aboard ship and in New York.

The Bishops of Tulimingo, Mexico, accompanied the archbishop's party to New York and Chicago.

Reports that he had been a sufferer from diabetes for twenty years were denied in New Orleans Tuesday. The affection it is said came upon His Grace three years ago and since that time he has been under treatment.

For the last year his condition has shown improvement and an examination made before he left New Orleans for Havana showed no trace of the complaint. It is thought here that pneumonia, induced by the cold, revived the other condition.

Enjoyable Penny Party At La Place.

"A penny party was given by the teachers of the John L. Ory School last Sunday, which, despite the unfavorable weather conditions, was a success in every respect. The children as well as many of the patrons spent several hours of enjoyment at the school-house where this party was held. Finally everything had been sold and darkness coming on put an end to the fun."

The teachers of the school are Mr. R. M. Ducote; principal Miss Dolores Davis, Miss Florence Peters. An additional teacher is expected daily.

- Basket Ball -

The Lucy Champions Vs. Edgard High School

A most enthusiastic crowd witnessed the Lucy champs go down to defeat at the hands of the Edgars. Brilliant plays were executed by both teams. Masters Honoré Charpentier, and Alphonse Ory, for the Lucy and Masters Oliver Oubre and Nemours Fouroux, were in splendid form, and received frequent applause.

When the smoke cleared away the score stood 8 to 7 in favor of the Edgard team.

Theory And Art Of Reading.

"Words," says one, referring to articulation should "be delivered out from the lips, as beautiful coins newly issued from the mint, deeply and accurately impressed, perfectly finished, neatly struck by the proper organs distinct, in due succession, and of due weight."

Grace in eloquence, in the pulpit, at the bar, cannot be separated from grace, in private life, in the social circle, in the family. It can not be superinduced upon all the other acquisitions of youth. Begin, therefore the work of forming the orator with the child, not merely by teaching him to declaim, but what is of more consequence by "observing" and "correcting" his daily manners, motions, and attitudes.

In schools for children, it ought to be a leading object to teach the Art of Reading.

It ought to occupy "threefold more time" than it does. The teachers of our schools should labor to improve themselves. They should feel that to them, for a time, an committed the future orators of the land.

It is far better that one should return from school a first rate reader, than a first rate performer on the piano-forte. The accomplishment in its perfection, would give more pleasure.

The voice of song is not sweeter than the voice of eloquence, and there may be "eloquent readers," as well as "eloquent speakers." We speak of "perfection" in this art.

Let us have as the ancients had the formers of the voice, the music-masters of the "reading voice," let us see years devoted to this "accomplishment" and then we should be prepared to stand the comparison.

Reading is, indeed a most intellectual accomplishment. So is music, too, in its perfection. I do not by any means under value this "noble" and most delightful art, to which Socrates applied himself even in his old age. But one recommendation of the Art of Reading is, that it requires a constant exercise of the mind. It involves in its "perfection," the whole art of criticism on language. (Signed) M. Charpentier.

A Grand Success.

The euchre and dance given Saturday before last by the faculty of the Edgard High School for the benefit of the school proved to be the most successful affair to the kind ever held in Edgard. Friends and patrons from all over the parish on both sides of the river assembled for the occasion, and the good time lasted until the wee small hour of morning. The magnificent sum of thirty dollars and sixty-seven cents was cleared, which sum will be used in defraying the incidental expenses of the school. The faculty wishes to thank sincerely the friends of the school for their hearty and generous cooperation in the worthy cause.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

Horse, buggy, and harness.
For further particulars write to:
Octave Dufresne
Edgard, La.

(A COMMUNICATION) AN INJUSTICE.

I was born and reared in this parish, and all who know me will testify that I have never at any time been a Member of the Ananias Club, and I certainly do not intend to apply for Membership at this time of my life. In other words what I am about to say is the Truth, the whole Truth, and nothing but the Truth. Recently my child was shamefully beaten by one of the teachers of the Edgard School, and so were many other children of this locality. Upon the parents complaint the Superintendent (Mr. Lionel J. Bourgeois) stated that if a teacher was not permitted to whip a child it would be better to close the doors of the Schools of this parish. At first I wrote a letter to the Superintendent informing him that other boys were beating my child, and were liable to hurt him.

Upon the receipt of this letter my boy was called from the classroom, but knowing full well the brutal punishment that was about to be inflicted upon him he refused to leave the classroom. Upon his refusal he was brought to an adjoining room and it was then that Prof. Jewell, principal of the Edgard High School labored under false impression that we lived in an age of Barbarism, and I dare say inflicted a most uncivilized, and brutal punishment to my boy. A punishment which no reasonable human being would inflict even to a common Kentucky mule. Several other children being treated in the same manner, a petition was signed and the matter presented to the attention of the School Board at its last sitting. The matter was submitted to them because we always thought that they were Fair and Square men, but Lo and Behold to our surprise we found only two good Directors willing to place Justice where it belonged. These two being George U. Gendron, of the First Ward, and E. A. Leger of the Second Ward.

After the most Unjust and Ridiculous decision of our so-called School Board a certain rumor circulated throughout the parish like wild-fire that we intended to "Bouldonze" the teachers. I wish to stop here long enough to state that the people of this parish are civilized people and are no Tyrants. The "Bouldonze" we started this false and unfounded rumor must have had absolutely no other occupation, and certainly would have acted wiser by keeping his vile old tongue in his shoes, and not worry so much about matters which interest, but certainly does not concern him in the least.

In conclusion and in justice to all concerned I wish to say that although we fully realize the injustice, and the shame that has been thrown at us by men who we ourselves have entrusted as our School Directors, yet we wish to state that we are all Law Abiding citizens, and sons of the grand old parish of St. John the Baptist parish, and we humbly bow to their unjust and most shameful act in this matter.

Wake up ye Brainless men - rise forever dare to carry the noble name of School Directors of St. John Parish.

Yours for Justice,
(Signed) Alfred Hayde

First Breakdown of Season.

The first breakdown of the grinding season occurred last Wednesday night at the Columbia sugar factory, owned and operated by Mr. Gaire & Garguier. The mill was forced to stop operation for a few days on account of a broken shaft.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Thomas R. Woods, and Mrs. Herman Feske, of Bowie, La., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pancaire and family.

Mr. David Maitreime spent Sunday with relatives in the first ward.

Mrs. J. L. Pancaire, and daughter Amélie returned last Tuesday after a pleasant stay with relatives in New Orleans.

Mr. Paul Friedlander a prominent optician of New Orleans was in Lucy during the week.

The many friends of Mrs. Darcia Dersoche who has been on the sick list for several days, will be pleased to know of her complete recovery.

The Misses Hattie Plaisance, Nellie Henderson, and Prof. Frazee, were royally entertained Tuesday evening at the hospitable home of Dr. Elmore and estimable wife. All present expressed themselves as delighted, and spent a most enjoyable evening.

Mr. René Pancaire our noted and popular mixologist motored to Luling last week on business.

Mrs. Denis, of St. Charles parish and Mrs. Fauchoux of New Orleans are the honored guests at hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace D'Arensbourg in the First Ward.

Prof. W. S. Frazee, Jr. the popular principal of the Berthelot School was a business visitor to New Orleans on Wednesday.

Don't fail to attend the Grand Dance at the Berthelot School tonight.

Elaborate preparations are being completed and a most joyous time is anticipated by all.

Last Tuesday our genial and popular School Head Hon. Lionel J. Bourgeois motored to Lucy, and paid a most pleasant and welcome visit to the Berthelot School. On his return the good Superintendent mingled, with his many friends in the First Ward.

Supt. Bourgeois Honored

Supt. Lionel J. Bourgeois, the present popular school head of St. John the Baptist Parish, at a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Donaldsonville Fair Association, was elected chairman and manager of the educational department of the fair. The fair is a special pleasure to announce to our readers the high honor conferred to our genteel and most popular school head Lionel J. Bourgeois. In selecting Prof. J. Bourgeois as chairman and manager of said association, the board of directors of Donaldsonville could not have chosen in our opinion, a better and more honest worker than our young friend, Lionel J. Bourgeois, for the position.

EXAMINATION NOTICE.

The next Teachers' examination will take place on November 30th., and December 1st., and 2nd., for whites, and December 3rd., 4th., and 5th., for Colored.

Applicants desiring Special High School certificates should notify the Superintendent to that effect at once.
L. J. Bourgeois,
Superintendent.