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THE BANK OF ST. JOHN

RESERVE, LOUISIANA
 BEGAN BUSINESS DECEMBER 5 1904

PAID UP CAPITAL . . . \$15,000
SURPLUS . . . \$15,000

OFFICERS: Aug. Lasseigne, President; E. J. Caire, Vice-President; James Clément, Cashier; James J. Montegut, Assistant Cashier.
 DIRECTORS: August Lasseigne, Clément Maunin Dr. Sidney Montegut Lucien Monnet Jr., Paul Berthelot, Etienne J. Caire, Dr. L. T. Donaldson, Fyngde Ory, Thos. F. Ory, Charles E. Thibodaux, George Bourgeois, James Clément, J. V. Chonet.

4 PER CENT. INTEREST PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS.

GARY STATE BANK

GARYVILLE, LA.

PAID UP CAPITAL . . . \$10,000.00
SURPLUS . . . \$2,000.00

OFFICERS—J. D. Brown, President; Dm. O. Ory, Vice-President; S. H. Labiche, Cashier.
 DIRECTORS—Eugène Tangus, C. Z. Blouin, Jr., Alfred Labiche, J. D. Brown, Steven J. Keller, S. H. Labiche, O. J. Ory.

4 Per Cent. Interest on Time Deposits

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LUTCHER, LA.
 BEGAN BUSINESS NOVEMBER 15 1904.

PAID UP CAPITAL . . . \$30,000 00
SURPLUS . . . \$35,000.00

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 DIRECTORS: A. G. Gearheard, F. Chauvin, L. Waguespack, L. Keller, Louis Hymel, F. J. Waguespack, A. H. Mears, Joseph Gebelin, F. Reynaud, R. P. Woods.

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Sorrow For The Dead

The following article from a once noted and eminent writer, cannot but meet with the general approbation of a thinking and conservative people. Liant and lofty ideas, which find herein description, are in my opinion, the main cause of the sorrow that time christens. The sorrow that the only sorrow that refuse to be divided, other wound we seek, every other affliction, to forget; but this wound we consider it a duty to keep open. This affliction we cherish, and brood over in solitude. Where is the mother who would willing forget the infant that has perished like a blossom from her arms, though every recollection is a pang? Where is the child that would willingly forget a tender parent, though to remember be but to lament? Who, even in the hour of agony, would forget the friend over whom he mourns?

No, the love which survives the tomb is one of the noblest attributes of the soul. If it has its woes, it has likewise its delights: and when the overwhelming burst of grief is calmed into the gentle tear of recollection; when the sudden anguish and the convulsive agony over the present ruins of all that we most loved, is softened away into pensive meditation on all that it was in the days of its loveliness, who would root out such a sorrow from the heart? Though it may, sometimes, throw a passing cloud over the bright hour of gayety, or spread a deeper sadness over the hour of gloom; yet, who would exchange it even for the song of pleasure, or the burst of revelry? No; there is a voice from the tomb sweeter than song. There is a remembrance of the dead, to which we turn even from the charms of the living.

Oh, the grave! the grave! It buries every error, covers every defect, extinguishes every resentment! From its peaceful bosom spring none but fond regrets and tender recollections. Who can look down upon the grave even of an enemy, and not feel a compunctious throb, that he should have warred with the poor handful of earth that lies mouldering before him? But the grave of those we loved—what a place for meditation! There it is that we call up, in long review, the whole history of virtue and gentleness, and the thousand endearments lavished upon us, almost unheeded in the daily intercourse of intimacy; there it is that we dwell upon the tenderness, the solemn, awful tenderness of the parting scene; the bed of death, with all its stifled griefs, its noiseless attendance, its mute, watchful assiduities! the last testimonies of expiring love! the feeble, fluttering, thrilling,—oh! how thrilling!—pressure of the hand! the last fond look of the glazing eye turning upon us, even from the threshold of existence! the faint faltering accents, struggling in death to give one more assurance of affection.

Alas, go to the grave of buried love, and meditate! There settle the account with thy conscience for every past benefit unrequited, every past endearment unregarded, of that departed being, who can never—never—never return to be soothed by thy contrition! If thou art a child, and hast ever added a sorrow to the soul, or a furrow to the silvered brow of an affectionate parent; if thou art a husband, and hast ever

caused the fond bosom that ventured its whole happiness in thy arms to doubt one moment of thy kindness or thy truth; if thou art a friend, and hast ever wronged, in thought, or word, or deed, the spirit that generous-ly confided in thee; if thou hast done one unmerited pang to that heart, which now lies cold still beneath thy feet; then be sure that every unkind look, every ungracious word, every ungentle action, will come thronging back upon thy memory, and knocking dolefully at thy soul; then be sure that thou wilt lie down sorrowing and repentant on the grave, and utter the unheard groan, and pour the unavailing tear; more deep, more bitter, because unheard and unavailing."

Let us then bow down to the will of an "All Wise" and "Beneficent God," and henceforth be more considerate and affectionate in the discharge of our duty to the living.

M. CHARPENTIER.

Card Of Thanks.

We wish through this medium to extend our heartfelt and sincere appreciation to our many friends for the many beautiful and valuable presents received.

We wish also to express our high appreciation to the good ladies who so artistically arranged our new home.

Words are too frail, and feeble a means to convey what the heart would utter in such cases.

Perhaps the best and simplest way to express our high appreciation is by the simple little word "Thanks", said with a sincere, and grateful heart.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Reynaud.

NOTICE!

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the San Francisco Pltg & Mfg. Co. of Lyons, La. for the election of directors, will be held at his office from 12 to 2 P. M. on Monday, January 4, 1915.

Lezin Ory, Sec.

NOTICE!

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Woodland Pltg. & Mfg. Co. of La Place, La., for the election of directors will be held at his office from 12 to 2 P. M. on Monday, January 4, 1915

A. Lasseigne, Sec.

SHAKE.

It's great to say Good Morning,
 It's fine to say Hello,
 But better still to grasp the hand
 Of a loyal friend you know.

A look may be forgotten,
 A word misunderstood,
 But the touch of the human hand
 Is the pledge of brotherhood.

Death Of Pierre St. Pierre.

Pierre St. Pierre, a native of St John the Baptist Parish and a lifelong resident of the First ward died at his home in Lucy, La., at 10 o'clock Monday morning, after an illness of long duration.

Mr. St Pierre was a man of generous impulses, and never forgot the hospitable ways of the pioneer. The stranger never failed to find food and shelter if he sought it at his hands.

He had borne adversity bravely and enjoyed prosperity quietly. He had filled the various relations of life, as son, husband, father, brother, friend, and filled them well.

He was a man of unblemished character and exemplary habits, type of citizen whose splendid example can well be emulated by those about him, and whose taking away inflicts a grievous loss upon the entire community.

As a citizen he was always upright, enterprising and true to those things which make for the public welfare; as a friend he was staunch, unselfish and sincere; and to those dearest to him, devoted, considerate and always kind.

His death will deeply mourned, and his memory enshrined in the hearts of all who knew him.

Mr. St. Pierre was 75 years of age at the time of his death. The funeral took place last Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock with services at the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, and interment in the St. John cemetery.

Mr. St. Pierre is survived by his wife, née Céline Volion; three sons Joseph and Valery St. Pierre of New Orleans, and Adrian St. Pierre of St. James La.,

To these afflicted ones the Meschacébé proffers its sincere sympathy.

Lake Charles Times Suspends.

The Daily Times of Lake Charles, La has suspended and the plant and good-will of the paper have been taken over by the American-Press. The reason given for the suspension is that the publishers became convinced by experience that Lake Charles cannot support two daily newspapers. Editor John Marshall wielded a graceful, sprightly and forceful pencil, and Mrs. Marshall was an untiring and capable assistant in the business management of the Times. It may be confidently assumed, therefore, that only the inherent unfruitfulness and inadequacy of the field rendered the efforts of these able and willing workers unprofitable.

The Chief heartily hopes that a more promising opening for the exercise of their talents will be found and that future success and prosperity will attend them.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Hon. Paul Berthelot, our present genial and highly esteemed sheriff paid the office of Le Meschacébé a most appreciated visit Wednesday.

Mr. André Bossier was a visitor to Lutcher last Saturday, and returned to "dear old Lucy" Monday.

The Misses Hattie Plaisance and Nellie Henderson, two of Lucy's most popular young lady teachers visited the Crescent City last Saturday.

The public schools of St. John Parish will close their doors for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday, December 23, and reopen Monday, January 4th.

Miss Dolores H. Davis, of New Orleans, who was serving her second term as assistant teacher in the John L. Ory School at La-Place has resigned and accepted a position in Mc Donogh School No. 12, in New Orleans.

Miss Louise Hearn, of New Orleans, has accepted a position as assistant teacher in the John L. Ory School, which was made vacant by the resignation of Miss Dolores H. Davis.

Entertainment.

Our genteel Judge, J. L. Pancaire, and his most estimable wife, royally entertained friends at their hospitable home here Wednesday evening.

Classical music was ably rendered by our two noted pianists, the Misses Hattie Plaisance and Amelie Pancaire. Dancing was the main feature, and delicious refreshments were served to the invited guests.

enjoyable time was present. Those who were occasion by their Misses Hattie Plaisance, Henderson, Una Theresa Hempel, and Amelie Pancaire, E. O. Hempel, and Prof W. S. Frazee, Bossier.

Packing-house At La Place

Messrs. Montz and Cambre have just completed the erection of a packing house near La Place Station on the Y. and M. V., to handle the large quantity of truck vegetables.

The building is erected near the La Place station, and will enable truck farmers to ship their products with great facility.

Not only will it benefit the La Place farmers, but will also prove a great help to the small truck farmers on the right bank.

The Packing House is a very large, and most up-to-date building, and we wish to congratulate and extend our best wishes for success to Messrs. Montz and Cambre in their new enterprise.