

LOCAL ITEMS.

Religious.

A UNION PRAYER MEETING of the Rayville churches, will be held every Wednesday night.
SPECIAL SERVICES at New Salem Church, near Girard, by Rev. Mr. Miller, on the 1st Sunday of each month.
DIVERS SERVICES.—The appointments of the Baptist Church at Rayville, are the 1st Sunday in each month.—Rev. E. B. Reynolds, Pastor.

The Stewarts of the Methodist Church are earnestly requested to use their best efforts in collecting all the money assessed by this Church, and due by the next Quarterly Meeting, to be held on the second Saturday and Sunday in May.
PERSONAL.—Among the many new and pleasant acquaintances we have made this week, we are proud to number Col. G. W. McCranie, editor and proprietor of the Ouachita Telegraph.

probated the Will of Steven Girard, who owned some of the oldest farms ever opened in this and Ouachita Parishes, and that Steven Girard once owned the place now known at the Kelley place, near the town of Girard, on which W. F. Wells resides; and that Steven Girard, in his will, gave to Henry Bry (the father of our much esteemed friend, Henry Bry, of Ouachita), the usufruct of that place for a term of twenty years, which said Henry Bry, Sr., lived to enjoy until the expiration of the usufructuary term.

Column for Land Sellers.
A PROPOSITION.—We propose to advertise land for sale, with this understanding: if the land owner will give price and terms, and if no sale, no charge, and if a sale he will pay us 10 per cent of the purchase price, out of the cash payment.
Desirable place for a small planter, 120 acres dog wood ridge land, only 5 miles from Rayville. Sold on easy terms. For particulars enquire at this office.

ALL HANDS POINT To SCHARFF BROS. AT Vicksburg, Miss.

And glowing accounts reach us through the Vicksburg papers, and persons from this section of the country, of the great sensation that House is creating in Dry Goods circles among other Merchants, and the people generally, owing to a SWEEPING REDUCTION

THIS LEADING DRY-GOODS HOUSE MADE IN THEIR LINE. We yield this Space for the BENEFIT OF OUR READERS. In order that they may secure the Information, where to go to get their goods the cheapest, and more particularly for those who have as yet not visited that Mammoth and Favorite Establishment. Many of our neighbors who have recently made their purchases at

SCHARFF BROTHERS

Have returned exulting over their success of the great BARGAINS this House is giving and of the particular courtesies that are Being Shown to the people of Louisiana.

This Special and Great Low Price Sale, Will Continue for Sixty Days.

In order to give the uninformed an Idea of the class of Goods this House is Keeping, we copy a Partial List from the Vicksburg Papers, not having space to enumerate all.

Staple and Fancy Dry-Goods,

Of every description, for Plantation purposes, every day wear, "Sunday go to Meeting" and matrimonial purposes, all of the Best and most Fashionable Styles.

Ladies' Dress Goods,

IN ALL THE NEW TINTS AND SHADES. DOMESTICS, SHEETINGS, JEANS, FLANNELS, BLANKETS, SHAWLS, CLOAKS, FURS, CARPETS, SILKS, MOURNING GOODS, FINE LACES and LACE COLLARS, EMBROIDERIES

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT, FOR LADIES' FINE AND FASHIONABLE TRIMMED HATS and BONNETS, as FINE as any of the FINEST MILLINERS in NEW ORLEANS KEEP, at much LOWER PRICES.

COMPLETE BRIDAL TROUSSEAUX Splendid Stock of GENTS AND BOYS CLOTHING.

Which they are Selling not less than fifty per cent LOWER than Clothing stores. An Immense Stock of BOOTS and SHOES, Custom made and every pair guaranteed. Every style and quality imaginable for Plantation, Mud—Fine Wear, for Men, Women and Children. Their Stock in this branch alone, amounts to not less than \$150,000. SEPARATE AND EXCLUSIVE PARTS for WHOLESALE & RETAIL. The reduction made in their Wholesale Departments brings their prices down strictly to the wholesale prices of New York. Their wholesale stock is especially chosen for country merchants.

Planters Furnishing Hands, who buy by the Dozen or piece, will have goods at Wholesale prices. Those buying goods at Retail for consumption, will be no little astonished at the LOW PRICES. In going to SCHARFF BROS., At once you will save both TIME and MONEY, as they have the largest stock, not only in Vicksburg, but in the State. Sell at almost incredible LOW PRICES. Everybody should visit that House.—[Richland Beacon.] Nov. 1st 1872.—6m

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

DR. D. R. PETTIT, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON. Office corner of Boone and Julia streets, Rayville, La. Where I will always be found when not professionally engaged. Office hours from 10 o'clock A.M. to 6 P.M. Thankful for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to me, I will continue to practice my profession with the same special attention given to chronic diseases. Medical Examiner for Louisiana Southern Life and Life Association of America. July 8, no 84.

P. H. TOLER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Rayville, La. Will give his personal attention to any professional business in the Parish and District Courts of Richland, Franklin and Madison parishes. Nov. 4, 1872.

DR. D. R. SARTOR, D.D.S., D.D. Having located permanently near this place, I offer my professional services to the citizens of the surrounding country. Descriptions given to all diseases. Always to be found at my office, at Steam Mill, when not professionally engaged. June 22, 1872—1y. J. H. Morrison. W. W. Farmer.

MORRISON & FARMER, ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Practice at RAYVILLE, Parish of RICHLAND. Also in the Supreme Court of Louisiana and in the United States Courts. LAND BUSINESS attended to in the State and United States LAND OFFICES. W. W. Farmer, late District Attorney, will in a devoted special attention to the DEFENSE in criminal cases. Jan. 14, 1873, 1y.

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Notice. N. M. ASTON, ARCHITECT & BUILDERS, Rayville, Louisiana. I wish to notify the public that I will complete all kinds of carpenter work in the best manner, at short notice, anywhere in the parish or State.

Gin Houses, and all of the latest styles of COTTON PRESSES built according to order. Give me a trial and fair play, and I guarantee satisfaction to all parties or no pay. Jan. 18, 1873, 1y. N. M. ASTON.

G. A. NATIONS, Architect and House-builder, informs the public generally that he is now located at Girard, and is ready to do all kinds of BUILDING, CARPENTERING and work of all kinds that comes in the line of a first class house-builder, or as renovator or as any other mechanic in the country, and takes this method of making his business known. nov-2-6m.

NOTICE! FROM this date on, no act of any kind will be recorded that is handed into the Recorder's Office, unless the fee for recording accompany the same. A great many have handed in deeds with the promise to pay in a day or two and it has been a year or two and is not yet paid. It is true that the amount is small, but one dollar each from 500 people is some money. It is easier for any one to raise from one to five dollars than for me to do without \$500 or more, and necessity forces me to this plan. So from this date on, no act will be recorded until the Recorder's fee is arranged. March 15th, 1873. WILEY P. MANGHAM, Recorder Richland Parish.

DELHI HARNESSES, BOOT and SHOE SHOP! The undersigned has established in Delhi shops for the manufacture of Harness and Saddlery, and also of BOOTS AND SHOES. Our Saddlery is made from leather out of our own tannery, where we have experienced TANNERS and CURRIERS. We manufacture as cheap as first class work can be done either in Vicksburg or New Orleans.

Our shoe shop is under control of an accomplished workman. We have on hand French and American Calf, and Morocco skins, and Kip of our own and foreign make, and can give our customers just such an article as they may order. Should we receive orders enough to justify it, we will send our Pattern to Rayville to take measure. oct-19-4f MOORE & TRAVIS.

Confectionaries and Family Groceries. I AM now prepared to manufacture plain and fancy CANDIES of every description, and offer them at WHOLESALE, boxed, ready for shipment, at 20 cents per lb. delivered to Steamboat or Railroad free of drayage and boxing. My stock of WINES, LIQUORS, CORDIALS, CIGARS, TOBACCO, FRUITS, &c. is always complete. The finest quality of CRYSTALIZED FRUITS, Imported direct. ICE CREAM SALOON In rear of store.

Fresh Oysters in every Style. JOSEPH POEYER, Iron Front Block, 159 Washington St., Dec. 10, 1872-12m. Vicksburg, Miss.

REAL ESTATE AGENCY. We the undersigned have this day associated ourselves together for the purpose of carrying on a Real Estate Agency. We propose to buy, sell and lease lands in this Parish and adjoining Parishes. We also propose to pay taxes for new Residents, they sending us the money, and refer to King & Kincaid, Jr., Claiborne & Son, Levy & Haas, J. W. Arthur & Co., New Orleans, and to any citizen of Richland Parish. W. T. OLIVER, W. S. McINTOSH, Rayville, La., Jan. 1st, 1872-1y.

PUZZLE. READ and Do NOT FORGET To call and pay for the PAPER during Court Days—Don't Forget.

LOTS for sale! Apply at this office. REV. JAS. L. WRIGHT will preach in Rayville, to-morrow (Sabbath) morning, at 11 o'clock.

The negro militia failed to turn out and organize in Madison Parish last Saturday, obedient to Kellogg's order.

Mr. H. D. DAUGHTRY has a notice to Tax Payers, in another column.—Read it and see who his Deputies are. They are going pay you a visit.

BAUFF RIVER has been rising slowly for the past week, but, we presume, will soon go down, as the Mississippi and other streams above are reported falling.

TAXPAYERS will read the notice of Dr. G. McD. BAUMBY, in another column, who has been duly commissioned, by Gov. McEnery, as State and Parish Tax Collector for the Parish of Richland.

ONE hundred and thirty-eight is the exact number of white men engaged in the Grant Parish fight. The negroes numbered over two hundred, of whom between 80 and 90 were killed.

At a Kellogg League Meeting, in New Orleans, the other night, "instructions were sent out to all the leading colored men in the country parishes to be ready to rally at a moment's notice." A word to the wise is sufficient.

We publish, in another column, the proceedings of a Ward Meeting, held at Alto, signed by fifty-two citizens, and hope that not one of them will ever so far forget himself as to violate the solemn obligation taken in the third resolution.

U. S. SOLDIERS, numbering about three dozen, passed through our town last Tuesday evening en route to Monroe, La. We understand that they are going over into Grant Parish, to hunt up the murderers of the Kellogg outlaws, but imagine that would do a better business "hunting for a needle in hay-stack."

THE OXFORD INTELLIGENCER is the title of a large and handsomely printed newspaper just started at Oxford, Ala., published by Savage & Embrey, the first number of which comes to us this week. We take pleasure in entering its name on our exchange list, and wish the proprietors abundant success in their new and arduous undertaking.

MR. A. L. WEAVER has our thanks for his lot of vegetables, embracing some of the largest Spring Turnips that we have yet seen. He understands gardening to perfection, and seems to have understood the cravings of our appetite, which we felt like spelling happy-tight, after eating turnips, tops and all, and wishing we had a vegetable plantation.

OUR PUZZLE proved quite a success during the week just past, and many have called to furnish us with a correct solution; but as some have failed to solve it, we let it remain in to-day for their benefit. It is a funny puzzle and if you haven't read it you should not fail to do so at once. The answer to it has caused us to laugh and feel good several times this week, and some who could not furnish the answer have made a report and asked for further time. Come up, gentlemen, and do your do, or say your say, else you may miss your paper after Court weeks have passed.

THE WEATHER turned warm on Saturday last, and continued very pleasant until Wednesday evening, when old Boreas disturbed the elements and drove us to the wood-pile for kindling fuel, while the clouds grew densely dark and evinced strong symptoms of an approaching snow storm; but speaking of snow, 'the beautiful snow,' have you ever read the new version of this favorite song, suited for summer use? here it is: "Oh the snore, the beautiful snore, filling her chamber from ceiling to floor! Over the covered, under the sheet, from her dimpled chin to her pretty feet! Now rising aloft like a bee in June; now sunk to the wall of a cracked bassoon! Now flute-like subsiding, then rising again, is the beautiful snore of Elizabeth Jane."

THE CONCERT on Thursday night last, given by the Ladies Aid Society, proved a most unique and enjoyable entertainment, and a splendid success pecuniarily. Each dramatic personage appeared by natural endowments fitted for her or his particular duty, and where all did so remarkably well it would seem invidious to discriminate. The ladies, however, are entitled to credit for the most interesting features in the programme, while the young gentlemen, who assisted them, could not be surpassed outside of a regular drilled metropolitan theatrical troupe. Chariades, interspersed with songs and tableaux, and feats in ventriloquism by Signor Springer, who kindly volunteered his services, rendered the whole an entertainment surpassing anything of its kind ever before given in Rayville. The audience was about as large as the spacious Hall could well accommodate; and among them we were pleased to see many visitors from Girard, Alto, Delhi, Monroe and other points, who can but return to their homes with an exalted opinion of our Rayville ladies, after witnessing such a magnificent display of their taste and talent in the beautiful arrangement of stage and curtains, coupled with rare and enchanting vocal and colloquial excellencies.

JUDGE LAMY, an aged and venerated son of Louisiana, honored our humble sanctuary with a visit on Wednesday last, and proved one of the most interesting visitors that we have received and welcomed since our residence in Rayville. The Judge is one of the few life long residents of this section with whom we have yet had the pleasure of meeting. He was born in December, A. D., 1800, on Bayou DeSiard, in Ouachita Parish, in which vicinity he has resided during the whole of his long, successful, honored and useful life-time.—He was Parish Judge of Ouachita when that Parish embraced the whole region of country between Red River and the Mississippi. Look at the map, reader, and you will see what a huge Parish it was. This aged gentleman, scholar and patriot, is now among the most revered and respected citizens of North Louisiana, and it is indeed a treat to converse with him on the past history of a State in which he has lived so long and about which he has learned so much under the rigid indoctrination of experience. Judge LAMY informed us that he

THE 14TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, Hon. ROBERT RAY, Presiding, opened its regular session for the Spring term, in Rayville, on Monday last, and will probably continue for three or four weeks to come.—The Intelligence says: "As there was no full term in Richland last fall, a good deal of business has accumulated, and it will require hard work on the part of the Court and the attorneys to dispose of the same. It is a satisfaction to the people to know that they have a judge on the bench, in the person of Hon. ROBERT RAY, who will not shirk from the work before him, but dispose of the same as fast as the members of the bar desire."

The civil docket will probably monopolize the attention of the Court for the first two weeks, before criminal cases can be taken up.

Among visiting members of the bar, we are pleased to meet with Col. ISAIAH GARRETT, Judge R. W. RICHARDSON, Col. C. H. MORRISON, and Capt. W. W. FARMER, from Ouachita; Gen. R. B. TODD, from Bastrop; and Messrs. WELLS and WALLACE, from Delhi.

Judge RAY has whiled away a few of his leisure hours in our office during the week, and we are glad to find him a most genial and affable gentleman, as well as a high-toned and conscientious officer of the law.

To the Associate Editor of the Beacon.

BY MARCUS HARRIS. Ah! memory, fond memory, what a blessing to think Of days that have passed, of hours that have flown, Ere grief lent its well spring of tears to the eye; As we put forth a hand to friends that have gone: Those calm merry days may never come again— Those friends we may never more see; Yet their worth and their deeds we may not forget. As we sail o'er the billows of life's dreary sea. On life's weary way, what changes are wrought, As we stroll and we move so heedless along: New foes, new forms spring up all around us; Till strangers compose the vast throng; And the loved of our youth have vanished, have fled— Some far, far away to roam; While others have grown old and need them to rest, With the cold, cold grave for a home. Yet sometimes we dream, and dreaming we see The many dear friends of our youth, With the sweet look of love shining bright from their eyes. And hearts all aglow with the truth: Though long it may be, if our duty we fulfil, We may meet on that bright beaming shore, Where life is eternal, unfeared by grief— Where friends are severed no more. CHARLOTTE, ALABAMA. QUARTERLY MEETINGS, M. E. CHURCH SOUTH, Louisiana Conference.—Delhi Dist.—Road Delhi and Floyd, at Delhi, April 28, 27, Monroe station, May 3, 4, Rayville, at New Salem, 10, 11, Trenton, at Colony, 17, 18, Oak Grove, at Vista Ridge, 24, 25, Waterproof, at Wesley chapel, 31, June 1, Waterproof, at Vista, June 7, 8, Providence and Pecan Grove, at Providence, 14, 15, Oak Ridge, at Oak Ridge, 21, 22, Lind Grove, at Bertholomew, 28, 29, Bastrop, at Island DeSiard, July 5, 6, Winnsboro, 12, 13. JOHN T. DAVIS, P. E., Delhi, Louisiana.

SUCCESSION SALE. THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of Richland, Succession of Joseph D. Thomas. By virtue of a writ of sale issued from the Hon. Parish Court in and for the Parish of Franklin, and in me directed as Sheriff, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, without the benefit of appointment, at the door of the Court house in Rayville, on Saturday, the 10th day of May, 1873, the following described property, to-wit: South West quarter Section two, Township fourteen, of Range six East, containing one hundred and twenty acres more or less. Terms of sale, on a credit of 12 months, for what it bring, purchaser to give bond with approved security. J. A. LIDDELL, Sheriff. April 19-3m, at \$12.

GOOD COOK WANTED. A GOOD COOK or house woman can get employment to cook for a small family, with good wages, by applying at this office without delay. n20-2m-512

PERSONAL. The advertiser herein refers you to the Publishers of this paper as regards their perfect reliability, and when writing to them, please mention you saw their Advertisement in this paper. TICKETS & COLLECTOR. Reasoned Merchant Tailors and Clothiers of the West, 501 & 503 N. 4th St., St. Louis, Mo., will, on application, send from their accurate files of self-measurement, Illustrated Circular, and Price List, with a full line of patterns, enabling you to order clothing direct from their House, which will be made in the best style, shipped by express, C. O., with the privilege of exchanging and returning at your expense, by not satisfactory.

WIDE AWAKE AND FAST ASLEEP. A beautiful pair of French Chaises, handsomely mounted, sold everywhere for \$2, best quality, at the price of \$1, or \$1.50 for either. Agents wanted everywhere, who can make large profits. Liberal discounts to the Trade. Map and Chromo Publishing Co., 215 Pine St., St. Louis, Mo.

For Rent. MACKEREL IN BARRELS, HALF Barrels and Kits. Canned Oysters, Canned Salmon, Canned Lobsters, Canned Mackerel. 216f At LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

BAGGING AND TIES—FULL STOCK, at 216f LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S. Coffee. CHOICE PRIME AND FAIR, at 216f LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

MACCARONI, VERMICELLI, AND Cheese, at LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S. Hog Product. A FULL LINE OF MEATS AND LARD, in quantities to suit purchasers, at 216f LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

SCUBES, BROOMS, BUCKETS, HOPS, Brushes, Jugs, Liqueur Keys, and Slack Coverage, at wholesale and retail, by 216f LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

Tens. OLONG, IMPERIAL, YOUNG HYGON and Gunpowder, from Jenkins & Co. LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

Whiskey. COMET BRAND, SOURRON, COPPER Distilled Bourbon, and Baltimore Rye, at LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

At Cost. RATHER THAN CARRY THEM LONG, we offer RAISINS in quarter and half boxes at cost. 216f LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

Ragging Ties. TWO HUNDRED ROLLS BAGGING, 200 bundles ties, at LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

Flour and Meal. OUR SEVERAL GRADES OF FLOUR and the favorite Magnolia Meal, offered to the trade at our usual low prices. 216 LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

Sugar and Molasses. ALL GRADES LOUISIANA SUGARS All grades Louisiana Molasses and Syrup, at LAMKIN & EGGLESTON'S.

BEST WAGONS—LOWEST PRICES. Established 1852. Re-Established 1865. Mar. 1872-1y VICKSBURG, MISS.

TAX NOTICE! As I have prepared to issue Tax receipts from rolls of 1872, and Licenses for 1873, Tax payers are respectfully reminded that early settlement will prevent costs \$50., as the laws governing collection of taxes are very rigid. H. D. DAUGHTRY, State and Parish Tax Collector, Parish of Richland, March 28th, 1873.

