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State Gleanings.

(Called from the La. Review.)

ASCENSION.

The Donaldsonville Normal Institute and Ascension Academy held its commencement on the 29th ult.

Donaldsonville Chief Mr. Vincent T. Landry, of New River, has torn down the old land mark known as the "Paul Landry ball room"

ACADIA.

Certain tracts of land will be disposed of at public and sheriff's sale on July 6th.

Crowley Signal: Fabacher now boasts of two stores and four saw-mills within three and one-half miles.

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IBERVILLE.

South (Plaquemine): Mr. L. B. Hart, the well known engineer of this parish, in boring a well for the saw and shingle mills at White Castle this week, struck a large vein of natural gas which spurted sixty feet up into the air.

IBERVILLE.

The Plaquemine Lumber and Improvement company will donate twenty acres of land to the parish, at the Indian Village, provided the court house is removed to that point.

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The Ashton place, one acre with the improvements, was sold a few days ago by Perrin & Hayden, real estate agents, to Rev. W. S. Penick for \$1,800.

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Shreveport Democrat: Capt. W. T. Boardman has withdrawn the Decatur from the Red river trade on account of low water.

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Trinity Herald: The good steamer

Marcus Collins left for Little river on Saturday last with another monster trip. She was compelled to use a barge.

The steamer H. Hanna Blanks, passed up Friday. She laid at the landing over five hours and discharged nearly 2000 packages of freight.

Capt. J. W. Blanks, of the steamer H. Hanna Blanks, was presented on Wednesday last with a beautiful solid gold-headed cane on which was inscribed: "From the crew of the Jno. H. Hanna to Com. J. W. Blanks."

CALCASIEU.

The Phoenix Hook and Ladder company of Lake Charles has reorganized.

The Lake Charles Echo states that there is a regular flow of mineral water from the artesian well, and that a proper analysis would prove the existence of valuable medicinal qualities.

Lake Charles Echo: We note that a finer order of buildings are now being constructed in our town, such as not only ornament it, but tend to give an air of permanence and stability.

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Gretna Sun: The cave in the levee at Southport which occurred some ten days ago did considerable damage to the tracks of the Mississippi Valley road; but the necessary repairs have been made, additional tracks laid, and protection piles are now being driven to prevent further damage.

The Maurepas Gazette states that this is the driest season in Livingston since 1854.

Gazette: Capt. Simms with his snag boat is cleaning out Tiewaf river.

The Thibodaux Sentinel states that 1700 persons have been confirmed by Archbishop Janssens during his recent visits to Lafourche.

Sentinel: The Lafourche Sugar Refining company is forging ahead in the matter of building their refinery and expects to have everything in readiness to boil the coming crops of the three plantations of its stockholders.

The fruit shops are continually increasing in number in our town and all seem to be doing a thriving business.

Lafourche Comet: We never before saw so many turtles in Thibodaux. A. J. Clement & Bro. and Camille Legendre have sold a large number. The dry weather must have forced them from their nooks, thus giving the hunters and swamper a chance to catch them. They are all quite large.

Ruston Calligraph: Lincoln parish pays the female teachers of her public schools the same salary as her male teachers. Who will say women have not an equal showing with men in Lincoln?

The police jury has ordered a bridge built across Bayou Vermilion for the public road leading from Carecero to Point Bruly.

Advertiser: The canning company has received a fine lot of can-making machinery and a large shipment of tin, solder, etc. The machinery is in daily operation, turning out a superior quality of cans. The company has also received a large shipment of lumber for manufacturing its packing boxes.

The sheriff will make large land sales on July 13th.

Madison Journal (Tallulah): The V. S. & P. depot has been treated to a new roof.

The sheriff will sell a certain tract of land in Bastrop on July 6th.

General Rice states that if Morehouse votes the proposed tax his railroad will be built through that parish to the Arkansas line north of Bastrop.

Enterprise: We were told by Mr. Henry Safford who has just been visiting all portions of the parish in performing his duties as assessor, that the prettiest piece of cotton, about two hundred acres in extent, that he had seen, was in Carroll Jones' field on Cane river, the same from which the blooms came last week, much of which is over knee high, and in splendid condition.

Democratic Review (Natchitoches): Our merchants are taking advantage of low freights and low prices and are purchasing their bagging and ties for the cotton crop of this fall.

The Parish Teachers' Institute has been reorganized in Monroe.

The sheriff will sell 240 acres of improved land on July 6th.

The Monroe Bulletin states that the Union and Northwestern survey is progressing satisfactorily.

Ouachita Telegraph: The Monroe compass is one of the industries that we are pleased to know is in a flourishing condition.

The work of ballasting the track of the eastern end of the V. S. & P. railroad goes bravely on and what was once one of the most richly railroaded in the South will ere long be one of the most substantial of Southern roads.

The Louisiana Land and Sugar company, recently organized with prominent citizens of New Orleans interested, will be domiciled in the parish of Plaquemine. The object of the company is to purchase and lease lands for sugar cultivation and to operate refineries for the manufacture of sugar. M. R. Spelman is president, Lloyd R. Colman vice-president, and H. S. Bell, secretary and treasurer.

Protector: The recent rise in the

river enables many rice planters to irrigate their fields naturally.

The indications are that in a few days pumps will no longer be necessary, at least for the month of June.

At a recent meeting of the police jury liberal appropriations were made for bridge building in the parish.

Banner: Mr. A. Lindsey exhibited to us on Thursday a cotton stalk which was fully 34 feet long and which was covered with blooms. Mr. Lindsey has a field of 30 acres of just such cotton.

Judge Gervais Baillie one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens of Rapides died on June 1st.

Alexandria Town Talk: Mr. E. A. Dickson, proprietor of the Alexandria Ice Factory, informs us that he is constantly receiving letters from parties in the North asking for information about Alexandria and central Louisiana.

The Clear Spring school in ward three has an attendance of 50 pupils, and is in a flourishing condition. The Coushatta Citizen notes with pride the increasing interest and improvement in educational matters throughout the parish.

Coushatta Citizen: The corn crop is good—cold weather not affecting it—with one more rain a heavy yield will be the result.

A barrel factory and steam laundry are two of the proposed enterprises in the early future of Franklin.

St. Mary Banner: Immense purchases of swamp lands have recently been made by various parties in the parish. It is reported that the firm of Pharr & Williams alone has bought 20,000 acres, and that other parties from Patterson have purchased 10,000 acres.

There is quite a boom in swamp lands, and every swamper is seeking to invest in them.

A fair will take place in St. Bernard on October 10th, the proceeds to be used in establishing a parochial school for children.

The sheriff will sell the Philippe Villere plantation on July 6th.

Le Progress: The St. Maurice Catholic church is now being repaired. The banquettes, in front of the Crescent City Slaughterhouse, are being paved.

St. Martin's Messenger: The gentlemen of this town having in charge the raising of funds for the building and establishment of the High School in our midst have thus far met with a decided success, and are very well satisfied with the progress made in so short a time. The high school will soon be an accomplished fact.

Opelousas Courier: Prof. George Farrar, a graduate of Yale College and a teacher of twenty years' experience, is in Opelousas with a view of establishing a boys' high school if he can only meet with proper encouragement.

The St. Tammany Lodge of the Knights of Honor was formed in Covington last week.

St. Tammany Farmer (Covington): Ernest's big restaurant, near the depot, is rapidly nearing completion.

A certain tract of land will be disposed of at succession sale on June 26th.

A school has been opened near Shiloh church, with an attendance of thirty-five pupils.

The sheriff will make large sales of improved land on July 6th.

Houma Courier: The drought was broken this week by a fine shower, and its effect will be extremely beneficial to the crops.

Tensas Gazette: The Tensas and Madison Telegraph company has been reorganized with W. M. Davidson, president and treasurer, and Hugh Tullis, vice-president and secretary. The line is thoroughly overhauled and put in first-class condition, and the utmost despatch is promised for business entrusted to it.

Vernon News (Leesville): M. A. C. Poole has notified us that he has made a selection of our new press

which will be shipped in a few days. As that talented gentleman will return himself shortly, our readers may look for a bright, interesting six-column paper.

The 16th of October has been selected as the opening day of the West Feliciana Fair.

The July races on the course of the West Feliciana Fair Association promise to be unusually fine. Prizes of \$1000 each will be offered to the winners of the first and second race, and the regular program will close with impromptu races.

A building and loan association has been formed in Minden.

Another Day of Success for the Evangelist.

The Weather Prophecies and the People's Obligations to them—More Accurately Than Usual.

JACKSON, Miss., June 10.—The day dawned with lowering clouds and about an hour before the time for the morning revival services of Rev. Sam. Jones to commence a light but steady rain began to fall. Notwithstanding this the tent was more than two-thirds filled by 9 o'clock.

There being no prospect of the rain ceasing the meeting adjourned to the Presbyterian church, which was in a few minutes filled to its utmost capacity of sitting and standing room both of nave and gallery. Not one-tenth of the crowd could get admittance.

The Evangelist has made much sport and ridicule of this and other church buildings during his stay here, but he was glad to take refuge in one on a wet day.

After singing by the choir Rev. Sam Jones himself led in prayer.

Another hymn was sung. Mr. Jones began his sermon, taking for his text: Romans xviii, 8.

"And we know all things work together for good to them that love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

There is no verse of Scripture more assuring and reassuring than this. There are some things that we do know and we rejoice in the knowledge.

Many have asked the question, "Why was I born and surrounded with so many difficulties and temptations and all manner of evil?" It is all without any choice. I find myself surrounded with temptations I cannot cope with; with evils I cannot avert. Why is this; it is not my fault? The answer is, "All things work together for good to those who love God."

We make the application to three classes:

1. Those who know that they love God. It is the sweetest conviction and the happiest reflection to know that we love God.

2. Those who know that they do not love God. It is easy to know and love God.

3. The larger class are those who do not know whether they love God or not. It is that wish-a-wash class, tossed about by every wind of doctrine. A child knows that he loves his mother, because it pleases him when she is spoken well of.

Do you not feel bad when you do wrong, and do you not feel good when you know you have done right and pleased God?

Love to God is simply loyalty to God. If my loyalty to God is the test of my manifestation of love to God, then let us do our duty, which is the basis of all love to God.

If you take the average man out of the church his conception of piety is obedience. Every fellow wants to be a first class member and live like a tenth rate member. I had rather be a first-class christian than anything else.

Some people are failures in everything, but if you can succeed in law, mercantile business, banking and other callings you ought to succeed in religion.

The test of your loyalty is the performance of your duty. Ask yourself the question: Suppose every church member was such as I am in all the duties and obligations to the church and to God, what kind of a church would we have? Let all of you be as good and do every duty that devolves upon your ideal of a church member.

There are christians in this town who are no larger than they were thirty years ago.

Mr. Jones on a line with your ser-

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Our pastors in this town and you will see a change here.

In my experience with ministers I have never found a better and more earnest and devoted lot than you have here in this town.

The test of your love to God is your loyalty to your duty. "All things work together for good." Let us understand this. Suppose it read "All things work together for the riches of God's people." Go to the rich folks, and you find impure water and malaria go to the barren hills and you find pure water and health go to the wealthy and you do not always find godliness.

I hate to see a pig in a mansion. I hate to see the grasping, selfish, avaricious man. He is worse than a pig that steals an ear of corn, for the pig will run a little way and stop occasionally and shell off a little corn for the rest; but the avaricious man will take it all and divide with none. I like a generous man. An old brother once prayed: "Lord, you keep our preacher humble and we will keep him poor."

You all pay your preachers here too little. [Mr. Jones decried on the ability, godliness and usefulness of the clergy of Jackson in the most complimentary terms.] God did not say that all things work together for the honor of God's people, nor for the feeble, pleasure or happiness of God's people; but it means that all things work together for the salvation of God's people. No two things, nor a dozen things, but all things, work together for good to those who love God. All the wheels of a clock, though some go backward and some go forward, and some slow and some fast, work together for time. So also every providence of God that touches your life works together for your salvation. All the machinery of a cloth factory works together for cloth.

You may have failures, losses and all manner of reverses, but they all work together with you for good fortune and your prosperity; let all work in unison for the good of those who love God.

At the afternoon services Rev. Mr. Stuart, of Tennessee, occupied the pulpit, and the sermon was closed with a strong exhortation by the evangelist. Forty-four people came forward this afternoon and gave their names, promising to soon join some church and to lead a better life. This makes 101 who have made this pledge during the meeting.

The evangelist preached an effective sermon to the converts this morning at 12 o'clock. This afternoon at 5 o'clock he addressed the Presbyterian Sunday school. He announced that the meeting would continue until Wednesday night.

Weather-Crop Bulletin.

For the Week Ending Saturday, June 15, '89. Bulletin No. 12.]

The drought is broken. The general rains in the State during the past week were of incalculable benefit to the growing crops and apparently arrived in the nick of time to save the corn and aid the cotton.

Excepting from a few sections where the rainfall was excessive, and where hail fell on the 8th instant, reports are very favorable as to the effects of weather conditions on the growing crops in the northern section of the State, from whence generally good reports are received.

A cessation of the rainfall will keep the corn and cotton from becoming grassy in the northern section of which there is some danger, although they are at present generally clean and in good condition.

The following are the rainfalls reported for the week: Minden 1.62, Shreveport 4.00, Grand Cane 3.00, Coushatta 5.00, Natchitoches 7.00, Liberty Hill 2.80, Calhoun 3.55, Monroe 2.33, Grand 3.36, Delhi 3.02, Vicksburg 6.60, St. Joseph 2.43, Trinity 1.60, Vidalia 4.10, Alexandria 6.46, Marksville 9.00, Cheneyville 7.20, Leesville 3.58, Clinton 3.48, Franklinton 1.95, Amite 3.49, Hammond 1.47, Mandeville 1.66, New Orleans 0.84, Mount Airy 2.00, Convent 5.30, Edgard 1.90, Plaquemine 2.24, Grand Coteau 0.81, Lafayette 4.55, Crowley 8.00, Lake Charles 1.90, Shell Beach 1.10, Abbeville 1.60, Jeanerette 1.74 and Houma 2.11.

There was a deficiency of rain from one to two degrees in the average daily temperature, and the amount of sunshine received was considerably below the average. The former condition played no important part, but the latter was unfavorably in the sections of constant and heavy rains, and favorably in those sections from whence lesser amounts of rainfall are reported, in serving to check a too rapid evaporation.

Rice planting is being pushed vigorously in the southwestern parishes, but there was hardly sufficient rainfall in that section to be of decided benefit, although crops and pasturage have improved wonderfully in past few days.

In the southern section all vegetation has taken a new lease on life, but the corn crop will fall short—the rain arriving too late to be of much benefit thereto.

St. Louis is reported in good condition, and the panic case is showing decided improvement.

R. E. KERMAN, Signa Corps, Director.