

A LIFE ROMANCE.

STRANGE HISTORY OF A TWICE-WEDDED PAIR.

Two persons lately sailed from New York for Europe whose history is so strange that, but for proof not to be gained, it might even be thought incredible. No wild romance devised by the most cunning weaver of sensational plots can surpass this history for triumph over time, space, and the ordinary rules of probability. Again promising that the story is well authenticated, we proceed to tell it.

Nearly twenty years back there lived in Rio Janeiro an English merchant, whose life seemed entirely devoted to the pursuit of fortune. He had come to Brazil poor, and, by resolute work and some luck, acquired a competency. This done, after many vicissitudes, he went home for a visit. While at home he met a beautiful orphan. She was lovely in mind as in person, and the composition wrought by her forlorn situation in life soon ripened in our merchant's breast to a warmer feeling.

In brief, as the story writers say, the pair were married, and returned together to Brazil. Two children were born to them, and life glided on like a single summer's holiday. Worldly prosperity, too, still attended the merchant, who from time to time repeated his visits to England. On one of these occasions strange rumors came to his ears, prejudicial to his wife. They were little heeded at first, but like the poison of Iago, "soon burned like the mines of sulphur."

By degrees suspicion became jealous fury, and the wife was directly accused by her lord of infidelity. The lady being proud and sensitive to a fault, indignantly denied the charge, challenged her accuser to produce evidence, and withdrew as much as possible from his society. The tender affection of former days now gave place to indifference and almost aversion. No guilt could be fixed on the wife, but some efforts made by the husband for reconciliation were coldly received. In time their mutual relationship became unbearable to both. A separation was agreed upon, an annuity was settled on the wife, and the day of wedded love that had opened so brightly ended in darkness and sorrow.

Pelican Feathers.

The Mansfield Times printing office is to be sold at Sheriff's sale on the 1st Saturday in January.

The Reporter represents the cotton crop of DeSoto about gathered Little, if any, more than half a crop of both cotton and corn, as compared with last year has been made this year.

The Iberia Banner says: The Flirt has come and gone. She brought quite a load of flour, apples, bacon, onions, lard, etc. The only bargains we heard of were in the way of lard and bacon. Apples were higher, if the figures we learned of were correct, than they could be bought in the city and brought here. If St. Louis wants our trade she must offer substantial inducements. So far we must confess ourselves somewhat disappointed with the inauguration of the new line. As to the future, nous verrons.

The Bossier Banner understands that the corps which lately made the survey of Red River surveyed a route for a cut-off from the latter "dirt-house" to just below Scoppin's cut-off. This accomplished, the river is materially shortened, Tone's Bayou avoided, and navigation much improved. This survey of Old Red we hope to see fruitful in practical results. As the Federal Government ordered it, we hope our congressional representation will see to it that the needed appropriation be made to carry out the improvements urged in the report.

FIRE.—The residence of Dr. Henry Perkins, five miles from town, was consumed by fire on the 15th inst., at about eight o'clock A. M. The household goods were nearly all saved. Several out-houses, we understand, were also burnt. The fire was occasioned by a defect in the chimney, between the roof and ceiling; the chimney having caught fire, the flames pierced through a crevice, and soon the garret was burning. Dr. Perkins was absent at the time.—[Feliciana Republican.

The grand jury of St. James parish have indicted Gov. Warmoth for releasing from custody the brothers Oliver, who were committed to jail upon a second indictment for the alleged murders perpetrated in the Donaldsonville riot. The explanation of the affair given at the time appeared satisfactory to the public. The Oliveres were indicted and tried for the homicides and acquitted. Subsequently one of them was elected sheriff of the parish. After this they were rearrested and a second time indicted for the same offence. The Governor took the ground that this last proceeding of the grand jury was illegal, inasmuch as a man cannot twice be put in jeopardy of life and limb for the same offence. Their second incarceration was obstructing the ordinary course of justice and complicating the judicial business of the parish. Under these circumstances, he felt justified in exerting the powers of the executive and restoring the men to their liberty.

A soldier, while at his post, in Baton Rouge, on the night of the 12th inst., was stabbed. A man named Tom Vigne, from Livingston parish, was identified by the soldier as his assailant. They had been quarreling an hour before.

James Hackett, of the same city, has been committed for trial on the charge of wife murder. The testimony showed that Hackett and his wife had had a misunderstanding; that the wife left the house and was followed and overtaken by her husband, who, in his anger, struck at and knocked her down; that he dragged her back to his house in apparently a lifeless condition; that a few minutes after the house was entered and the dead body of the woman found on a saturated with coal oil, and that the body was burnt in several places.

The Mansfield Reporter is for sale, the editor desiring to change his place of residence.

Movers pass almost daily through Arcadia, Bienville parish, on their way to Texas.

The Planter's Banner has intelligence of an affray which occurred in St. Mary recently between two negroes; weapons came knives. The results were that one of the combatants lost his life, the other having the top of his head cut off and the leaders of his arm severed.

The branch railroad from Terrebonne Station is now within two miles of Houma.

The planters on Bayou Black, in the vicinity of the new railroad, are now enabled to ship their sugar and molasses as fast as manufactured, thereby saving several hundred dollars.

Most of our planters, says the Terrebonne Patriot, have finished rolling and seem satisfied with the yield. For the past few weeks they have been averaging not less than two hogs heads to the acre.

AMERICAN WONDERS.—The greatest cataract in the world is the Falls of Niagara, where the water from the great upper lakes forms a river of three-quarters of a mile in width, and then, being suddenly contracted plunges over the rocks in two columns, to the depth of one hundred and seventy feet each.

The greatest cave in the world is the Mammoth Cave in Kentucky, where any one can make a voyage on the waters of a subterranean river, and catch fish without eyes.

The greatest river in the world is the Mississippi, four thousand one hundred miles long.

The largest valley in the world is the Valley of the Mississippi. It contains five hundred thousand square miles, and is one of the most fertile and profitable regions of the globe.

The largest lake in the world is Lake Superior, which is truly an inland sea, being four hundred and thirty miles long, and one thousand feet deep.

The longest railroad in the world is the Pacific Railroad, over three thousand miles in length.

The greatest natural bridge in the world is the Natural Bridge over Cedar Creek, in Virginia. It extends across a chasm eighty feet in width and two hundred and fifty feet in depth, at the bottom of which the creek flows.

The greatest mass of solid iron in the world is the great Iron Mountain in Missouri. It is three hundred and fifty feet high, and two miles in circuit.

The largest deposits of anthracite coal in the world are in Pennsylvania, the mines of which supply the market with millions of tons annually, and appear to be inexhaustible.

New Advertisements.

\$75,00 REWARD! NO QUESTIONS ASKED!

STOLEN ON THE MORNING of the 26th inst., from the undersigned, an eight day double case gold watch, manufactured by James Hodell and Sons, Northampton square, London, No. 13814. It had engraved on the outside case, the initials, "G. L. D." The above reward will be given for the return of the watch to the undersigned, and no questions asked. G. L. DESSENS. Alexandria, Dec. 28th 1871.

Mrs. Z. REY, WOULD inform her friends that she is now prepared to supply her customers at all times, with Bread, that always weighs the same. The proof of the pudding is in eating it. She only wants a trial, and she guarantees satisfaction. Bread delivered daily. SUNDAYS not excepted. MRS. Z. REY.

SHERIFF'S SALE. Carroll, Hoy & Co. vs. Mrs. Martha A. Davidson. No. 1903. Ninth District Court, Parish of Rapides—State of Louisiana.

BY VIRTUE of and to satisfy a writ of fieri facias issued out of the above named Court in the above entitled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction on SATURDAY, the 3d day of FEBRUARY, 1872, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 4 P. M. at the Court House door, in the town of Alexandria, the following described property seized as the property of the defendant to-wit: A certain tract or parcel of land situated lying and being in the Parish of Rapides, about 20 miles from the town of Alexandria, bounded above by the lands of the estate of D. C. Goodwin, below by the lands of the estate of Mathew J. Jones, and back by lands of the estate of C. H. Blanchard and containing the quantity of 520 acres. Also another tract of land in same Parish on the right descending bank of same Bayou, and about the same distance from town as the first tract, bounded on north by the Bayou Rapides, east by lands of L. A. Texada and estate of Mathew J. Jones, south by government land and west by land of the estate of M. Neal and estate of D. C. Goodwin, containing the quantity of 330 acres. Also another tract of land adjoining the first named tract and with the same boundaries and containing the quantity of 280 acres, also a certain tract of Pine woods land, adjoining the second named tract and with the same boundaries, containing the quantity of 118 acres, and all the buildings and improvements on said tracts.

Except 100 acres, sold by the defendant, Mrs. Martha A. Davidson to Martha H. Neal on the 8th day of February 1870, situated on the left descending bank of Bayou Rapides and bounded in front by said Bayou, east by lands of the estate of Mathew J. Jones, west and north by land of Mrs. Martha A. Davidson and also 50 acres sold by said defendant to said M. H. Neal on same day, situated on right descending bank of same Bayou opposite, bounded east by lands of the estate of Mathew J. Jones, west and south by lands of Mrs. M. A. Davidson with all the improvements on said tracts.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH, subject to appraisal. JOHN DELACY, Sheriff. Dec. 30th, 1871, P. F. 36 00.

FOR SALE. ON VERY ACCOMMODATING terms, a saddle and buggy horse, large, strong and sound, and an open top buggy and harness, all in good order. Also a fine English double barrel gun, which in shooting both large and small shot cannot be surpassed. The owner having no further use for them, will sell on a liberal credit. For satisfactory papers, apply to JONAS ROSENTHAL.

NOTICE!

I WISH TO INFORM MY CUSTOMERS and the public generally, that I have just arrived from the City, with a fresh supply of Dry Goods and Groceries, consisting of GENTS' BOOTS, SHOES, AND HATS, AND CHILDREN'S SHOES OF ALL SIZES. Also a large lot of the best Brand of FLOUR.

Which I have purchased for my own baking use. I will bake Bread every day. And I will deliver it every day except SUNDAY.

Fresh BREAD delivered at your doors every day by 12 M., for DINNER. Each loaf weighing 28 OUNCES, all for— 11 DIME.

Give the old time Baker another trial, for you will be sure to receive the value of your money in return. It is of course understood, that all of these above accommodations, are for CASH only. V. GIRARD.

FOR RENT. ON the 10th of January 1872. I will offer for Rent at the Court House door, in the town of Alexandria, for the year 1872, the Plantation on the Bayou Rapides, belonging to the Succession of Benjamin K. Hunter. R. A. HUNTER, Adm'r of B. K. Hunter. December 7th, 1871.

TO RENT. FOR the year 1872, on Bayou Boeuf, 12 miles from Alexandria, an excellent Cotton farm of 160 to 175 acres choice cotton land, all well fenced, and ditched. For particulars, call at the premises, or on C. H. WALDEN. December 8th, 1871.

NOTICE. ALL persons having claims against the Succession of James Pinckney Duffel, are hereby notified to present them, and persons indebted to the Succession will please settle the same with the undersigned or with Mr. Robert P. Hunter, Attorney at Law. S. SCHMOLINSKY, Administrator. Dec. 9, 1871-2d.

ESTRAY. Taken up by John Proceet, on his Plantation on Bayou Robert about five miles from the town of Alexandria. Two horses one a sorrel with white spots about ten years old and branded on the left hip BEN, and another by C. Zimmerman and W. W. Whittington Jr. to be worth twenty-five dollars, and one brown horse about seven years old, branded O W, marked crop and under bit in the left ear, and appraised by the same appraiser to be worth thirty-five dollars. The owner or owners of said strays are hereby notified to come forward and prove property charges and take them away, or they will be sold in twelve months from this date as the law directs. C. V. LEDOUX, J. P. Alexandria La., Dec. 16 71.

ESTRAY. TAKEN up by Samuel B. Haygood, and Estrayed before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace, for Coteau Ward, Parish of Rapides Louisiana. One brown mare Mule, 8 years old, saddle marks on back, white spot on right fore knee, white stripe near the girth, white on left fore ankle, supposed to be castrated. Appraised by F. H. James, and E. G. Henderson, to be worth One Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars. The owner of said Estray Mule, is hereby notified to come forward and prove property charges, and take it away, or it will be sold in twelve months from this date, as the law directs. F. B. AMSEN, J. P. Nov. 18th 1871, P. F. \$12.00.

ESTRAY. TAKEN up by James Cummings, on the Cummings Plantation, about 8 miles below the town of Alexandria, and estrayed before me the undersigned authority, a SMALL BORRELL MARE with a colt. Mare with a white face, and about 6 years old, and appraised by J. C. French and Joseph McEvoy, to be worth twenty-five dollars. The owner of said stray is hereby notified to come forward and comply with the law, or said stray will be sold in twelve months from this date as the law directs. C. V. LEDOUX, Justice of the Peace. Dec. 9th, 1871.

ESTRAY. Taken up by Josiah Jones at the plantation of J. G. White on Red River five miles above the town of Alexandria, and estrayed before me the undersigned authority, a small moneys penny horse and appraised by Robt. P. Hunter and Dennis Sullivan to be worth in currency twenty dollars. The owner of said stray is hereby notified to come forward and prove property charges and take him away, or he will be sold in twelve months from this date, as the law directs. C. V. LEDOUX, J. P. Alexandria La., Dec. 16, 71.

ESTRAY. TAKEN up by Thos. J. Stafford, 3 miles below the town of Alexandria, and strayed before me the undersigned authority, a SMALL DUN FOSTY HORSE, about 3 years old, and branded on the right shoulder E S and appraised by J. Routh Williams, Jr., and Edward Weil to be worth twenty-five dollars. The owner of said stray is hereby notified to come forward and comply with the law, or said stray will be sold in twelve months from this date, as the law directs. C. V. LEDOUX, Justice of the Peace. Dec. 9th, 1871.

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NOTICE!!

ALL PERSONS are hereby notified not to trade for or purchase the following bonds of the Police Jury of Rapides Parish, dated on the 3d day of March 1868, and signed by D. D. Arden, as President, to-wit:

1st. One certain bond drawn in favor of John Bogard, as Administrator of the Succession of John Bogard, Sr., payable on the 3d day of March 1870, bearing interest at eight (8) per cent from date as above, for the sum of One Thousand Dollars. For the interest attached to the said bond.

2nd. A certain other bond, of same date, in favor of the same party, John Bogard, as Administrator, for the like sum of One Thousand Dollars, with interest coupon attached, payable on the 3d day of March 1871.

3rd. A certain other bond of same date, in favor of the same party, for the same sum of One Thousand Dollars, with interest coupon attached, payable on the 3d day of March 1872.

And also the following bonds of same date, and also signed by D. D. Arden as President of Police Jury, as follows to-wit:

1st. A certain bond of above date, made in favor of A. Miltenberger of New Orleans, for the sum of Seven Hundred and 00-100 Dollars, with interest at eight per cent from maturity, and payable on the 3d day of March 1869.

2nd. A certain other bond, in favor of the same party, for the like sum, with like interest, payable on the 3d day of March 1870.

All the said Bonds were issued by the Police Jury without authority, and for a consideration, which the Constitution forbids, and are therefore void and the Parish of Rapides are not bound for the same. Notice is therefore given to whom it may concern that they will not be paid, nor received in payment of Taxes; and that if they trade for them they do it at their own risk.

JOHN CLEMENTS, President Police Jury.

S. PINCUS SECOND ST. BOGAN'S BUILDING, HAVING LATELY ARRIVED From the City, takes this method of informing his customers, and the public generally, that he has selected a fine and varied stock, consisting of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, TIN WARE, CROCKERY WARE, HARD WARE, &c., which he offers to dispose of Cheap for CASH. So give him a call before purchasing elsewhere. Alex. La., Nov. 11th 71, 1 y.

HENRY FOREMAN, Boot & Shoe Maker, LEVIN'S BRICK BUILDING, Front Street ALEXANDRIA, LA. Repairs done with neatness and Dispatch. Ladies Shoes made in the latest and neatest styles.

SUCCESSION SALE. Succession of John McGee, Deceased. BY VIRTUE of an order of sale issued by the Honorable Parish Judge of Vernon Parish La., and to me directed, I will offer for sale to the last and highest bidder, at the Court House door, in the town of Leesville, Vernon Parish La., on Saturday, the 26th of January 1872, the following described parcel of land belonging to said Succession, at the usual hours of sale, to-wit:

The South East quarter of South-East quarter of Section 33, Twp. 7 N., R. 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 27 1/2 acres, and South West quarter of South-West quarter of Section 26, Twp. 7 N., R. 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 27 1/2 acres, both in the Parish of Louisiana, for cash on the spot, to pay the debts of said Succession.

J. B. MCGEE, Administrator, of the Suc. of Jno. McGee, dec'd.

SHERIFF'S SALE. Citizens Bank of Louisiana vs. Cesar & Francois Archinard and Powhatan Clark & Henry A. Boyce. Actual possessors. Ninth District Court, Parish of Rapides—State of Louisiana.

BY VIRTUE of and to satisfy a writ of seizure and sale issued out of the above named Court, in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction on Saturday, the 6th day of January, 1872, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 4 P. M. at the Court House door in the town of Alexandria, the following described property seized by special order of said writ to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land situated in the Parish of Rapides, on the right bank of the Bayou Rapides descending, bounded above by the lands of Everette & Rhinobad Archinard and below by the lands of John Brown, being the lower half of the Family plantation of the late John Archinard and containing the quantity of 809 3/4 acres, together with all the improvements and appurtenances thereunto, and in any wise appertaining and being the same acquired by the said Cesar & Francois Archinard by a partition of the estate of John Archinard, deceased, between themselves and their co-heirs on the 13th of March, 1837, together with 554 shares of mortgage stock of Citizens Bank thereto attached.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH, Subject to appraisal. On the following terms and conditions, viz: The purchaser to furnish a stock note for the sum of \$5400 00 falling due on the 1st of March 1872, and renewable according to the Charter of the Citizens Bank of Louisiana, and the balance Cash. The purchaser to assume all the obligations and responsibilities of a stock holder of the Citizens Bank of Louisiana, and the Stock Note so furnished to be identified with four (4) acts of mortgage granted by Cesar Archinard and wife and Francois Archinard in favor of the Citizens Bank of Louisiana, and with the Sheriff's deed of sale in the case.

JOHN DELACY, Sheriff. Dec. 2, 1871, P. F. 60.

SUCCESSION SALE. BY VIRTUE of an order of sale issued by the Honorable Parish Judge of the Parish of Rapides, Louisiana, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction on Saturday, the 20th of January, 1872, the following described property belonging to the Succession of Alfred Townsend Deceased, late of said parish, viz:

1st. Two hundred and eighty acres of land known as the Jones & Boyce place.

2nd. Two hundred and eighty acres of land known as the William Price place.

TERMS OF SALE—One third cash, one third payable in six months from day of sale, and the remaining one third to be paid in one year from day of sale. In order to secure the credit payment good personal security in addition to a reserved mortgage, the vendors privilege the purchasers paying for required acts of sale. R. E. JACKSON, Administrator. Alexandria, La., Dec. 16, 71, P. F. 42.

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SUCCESSION SALE. BY VIRTUE of an order of sale issued by the Hon. Parish Judge for the Parish of Rapides, Louisiana, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction on Saturday, the 20th of January, 1872, the following described property belonging to the Succession of Alfred Townsend Deceased, late of said parish, viz:

1st. Two hundred and eighty acres of land known as the Jones & Boyce place.

2nd. Two hundred and eighty acres of land known as the William Price place.

UNITED STATES TAX SALES.

TAX COLLECTORS SALE. United States vs. John King. BY VIRTUE of the power vested in me as Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for the 2nd District of Louisiana, by Section 30, of an Act of Congress, dated July 13th 1868, I will proceed to sell at public auction at my office, in the town of Alexandria, on Friday, the 12th day of January 1872, at 12 o'clock M., the following described goods to-wit:

1 Lot of buckles and rings, for saddlery, 3 Saddles, and 2 bags of leather, 1 Lot of Webbing and Girthing, 1 Lot of Tools, all valued at \$100.00. Said goods and chattels belonging to one Owen King, and sold for failure to pay Special Tax for the year 1870.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH, in U. S. Treasury Notes. Deputy Collector, U. S. L. R. Alexandria, La., Dec. 23d 1871.

TAX COLLECTORS SALE. BY VIRTUE of the power vested in me as Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for the 2nd District of Louisiana, by Section 30, of an Act of Congress, dated July 13th 1868, I will proceed to sell at public auction at my office, in the town of Alexandria, on Friday, the 12th day of January 1872, at 12 o'clock M., the following described property to-wit:

Lots 2 and 3, Square 13, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and thereto belonging. Sold for failure to pay Income Tax for 1866 and 1867, and Special Tax for the year 1869.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH, in U. S. Treasury Notes. Deputy Collector, U. S. L. R. Alexandria, La., Dec. 23d 1871.

SUCCESSION SALE. Succession of Max Mayer, Deceased. PURSUANT to an order directed to me from the Honorable the Parish Judge in and for the Parish of Rapides Louisiana, commanding me to sell the property belonging to said Succession, for the payment of debts.

I will offer at public auction at the store lately occupied by the said Max Mayer, in the town of Alexandria, on Saturday the 30th day of Dec. 1871, at 12 o'clock M., the following property, viz: All the stock of Goods and other property belonging to said Succession, consisting of Dry Goods, Groceries, Tinware