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U. S. GRANT. OUR CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of

HON. J. MADISON WELLS, of the Parish of Rapides, as a Candidate for Representative in Congress, from this District, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Hon. James McCleery.

We hereby inform the friends of Col.

A. J. WHITTIER, and the public generally, that he is a Candidate for Congress from the fourth Congressional District, subject to nomination by the Republican party.

MANY VOTERS.

We hereby inform the friends of

HON. HARRY LOTT, of Rapides and the public generally, that he is a Candidate for Congress from the Fourth Congressional District subject to the nomination of the Republican party.

MISS GRANT'S VISIT TO EUROPE.—Miss Nellie, the daughter of President Grant, is received in England at the railway stations with royal honors.

On the part of Queen Victoria, the honor of a gala court has been allotted to the American young lady—Nellie is but fifteen years old. This looks as if it had been arranged by the paternal court at Washington, through the medium of the American Ambassador at London, and the American agents, as an interlude in the Presidential campaign by which the esteem which Grant's name enjoys in Europe will be set forth in a clearer light. It appears that in Washington great things are expected from the effects which this comedy may have here in the United States, whose citizens are punctually informed through the cable of the precise health and the precise movements of the President's daughter.

"Behold"—such is the intimation—"how much the people of Europe are better than you—unthankful citizens of the United States, who do not know how to prize the honor of possessing among your number such a man with such a daughter." Yes, it is an old and a truth that prophets are not held in such esteem in this country.

RULE OR RUIN.

As we surmised and predicted the Democratic Convention lately held in New Orleans, have nominated a full straight out Democratic State ticket headed by Col. Jno. D. McEnery of Ouachita for Governor. This state nomination is one of the preludes of the great National one to be held in Baltimore on the 9th of next month which will result in a similar blind and suicidal policy; for in this matter reversing the proverb, it will be, "as the young cock crows so crows the old. Our neighbor the Louisiana Democrat has an article copied from the Chicago Times with the caption of "Greely's Failure" in which it is endeavored to be proved, that he cannot unite the opposition to Grant, and this article is a type of a number of others in the ultra and uncompromising Democratic papers throughout the Union.

It would seem taking into consideration the flag which yet flies at the mast head of the Gazette, that it was a matter of very little concern to us, what course the Democratic party takes, or rather that we would rejoice at the fair prospect which presents itself of their again imolating themselves, their hopes and aspirations, on the altar of principle as they call it, or as it is designated by outsiders, of presumption, but the wagon is not out of the woods yet, and we do not know exactly when it will carry us.

We are taking now a mere philosophical and unprejudiced view of the situating putting ourselves for the present and for arguments sake in the position of the wife and the husband in the bear fight. The action of the Convention in New Orleans which we have been discussing was decided by a mere meagre majority, and so most likely it will be with the Baltimore assembly; and if so, it is on the cards that the minority which is so respectable a one, may revolt and fraternise with another respectable minority and so make another majority and a winning one at that.

Rapides Collegiate Institute.

We omitted last week the usual custom of calling attention to a new advertisement, in the case of the card of Messrs Bringham & Hunter announcing their intention of opening an academy Institution for the education of boys or young men and preparing them to enter college either here or elsewhere. This omission was entirely accidental and owing to our attention not having been called to their advertisement. Good wine however says the proverb, needs no brand and these young gentlemen brought up, and so well and so favorably known in this community need no recommendation from us to insure them success in the honorable though arduous occupation they intend to embrace or rather we should say that one of them intends, as the other unless we are mistaken has already had some experience and gained a good deal of credit in the profession.

Both of them we have no doubt have all the requisite qualities for instructors in all they profess to instruct in. Both are graduates of Collegiate Institutions of a high order, and Mr. Bringham having spent some time at college in Germany, the head centre as might be said of learning, science and literature of all kinds and being besides a young gentleman of no ordinary natural ability must be peculiarly adapted to the profession.

Added to these recommendations as to the principals of the proposed institute, the location selected is another great inducement to parents and guardians, here, as well as abroad. Far enough from the river and town to be perfectly healthy and safe from any traveling epidemic, it is near enough to be convenient both to residents here and visitors by steamboat or otherwise, and in short the prospectus which the principals have issued, sets forth so many inducements and advantages, that we can not doubt it will have the desired effect. "So mote it be."

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY.—This beautiful extract from a London paper, copied into the New Orleans Thursday Star and Catholic Messenger, was handed us by a highly esteemed lady friend with a request that we would reproduce it again in the columns of the Gazette, which we do with much pleasure, confident that it will be acceptable to most of our readers.

In Selma, Ala, a rose geranium has been successfully grafted with a japonica cutting, and the former now bears a full grown flower of the latter.

POLICE JURY PROCEEDINGS.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., June 3, 1872.

The Police Jury met according to adjournment. Members present: J. Clements, E. J. Barrett, Jesse Clifton, G. Baillio and M. Paul.

On motion it was resolved that John Clements be appointed President pro tem.

On motion of J. Clements, Resolved, That E. J. Barrett and M. Paul be appointed as a committee on credentials. J. Clement, E. J. Barrett and M. Paul presented their credentials, which were found correct.

On motion of G. Baillio, Resolved, That J. Clements be President of the Police Jury.

On motion of E. J. Barrett, Resolved, That John M. Barrett be appointed Treasurer.

On motion of Jesse Clifton, Resolved, That J. Mulcahy be appointed Clerk, and that his salary be four hundred dollars per annum.

On motion it was resolved that John DeLacy be appointed Officer of the Police Jury at a salary of four hundred dollars per annum.

On motion of E. J. Barrett, Resolved, That the salary of Parish Attorney be One Thousand Dollars per annum.

On motion of M. Paul, Resolved, That Dr. Casson be appointed Parish Physician at a salary four hundred dollars per annum.

On motion the Jury adjourned to meet at half-past 2 P. M.

HALF-PAST 2 P. M. On calling of the roll all members were present.

On motion of E. J. Barrett, Resolved, That 500 blanks Certificates of Indebtedness for the use of the Parish be printed, and that the President of this Jury be authorized to procure the same.

On motion it was resolved that the President appoint two members of the Jury as a Finance Committee.

The President appointed M. Paul and E. J. Barrett.

Estimate of Parish Expenses—1872 Juror and Witness fees..... \$4000 00 Officers, Clerks, Physicians, Magistrates and Printers' fees..... 4500 00 Jailor's fees..... 250 00 Corner's fees..... 500 00

Repairs of Police Jury..... 750 00 Repairs of Jail fence..... 200 00 Repairs of Bridges..... 1500 00 Sheriff and Constable fees..... 2400 00 Contingent fund..... 4500 00 Total..... \$22000 00

On motion the Jury adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 A. M.

JUNE 4TH. The Jury met according to adjournment, with same members present as yesterday. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion it was resolved that Joe Zeal be placed on the pauper list and that he receive \$5 per month, payable quarterly. J. H. Audibert, disbursing agent.

On motion it was resolved that J. J. Farley be placed on the pauper list, and that he receive \$5 per month, payable quarterly. E. Weil, disbursing agent.

Whereas, in the opinion of this Jury the business done by J. Levin comes under Section 221 of Act 14, of the General Assembly of this State, approved March 5th, 1872; therefore be it

Resolved, That he pay a Parish License based on said section.

BY ORDINANCE. Be it ordained by the Police Jury of Rapides Parish—

SEC. 1. That from and after this date there shall be annually elected by this Police Jury a suitable person to be known as "Parish Ranger," who shall have charge of all strays taken up in this Parish, who shall advertise the same and perform all the duties in relation to their sale that are now vested in the Justices of the Peace, and he shall have the same fees and compensation therefor that Justices of the Peace, receive at this time.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, That from and after this date it shall not be competent for any person or persons to take up any horse, mule or other animal unless the value of said animal shall be one hundred dollars or more; provided, however, that in any case where cattle or other stock may be an injury to the crops, or premises of any person from breaking fences or other cases, it shall be competent for such person to go before any Justice of the Peace in the Parish, and on making oath of the injury done him by said stock, to have the same estrayed and sold according to law, as herein provided.

On motion the Jury adjourned to meet at half-past 2 P. M.

HALF-PAST 2 P. M. The Jury met according to adjournment—all members present.

On motion, Whereas, in the opinion of this Jury, James Reagan has forfeited his contract as contractor for keeping in repair the plank road, said plank road being now and for some time past, in an almost impassible condition; therefore be it

Resolved, That this contract from and after this date be, and the same is hereby declared null and void; and that he receive pay up to date, and that his bond be cancelled by the President of this Jury.

On motion, That the road leading to Bayou Robert, say from the corporation line of Alexandria, to John R. Williams' lane, thence down said lane to where said lane reaches said bayou, be and the same is hereby declared a toll road for the period of three years, from the 15th day of next October and that the same be leased by the president of this Jury, the highest bidder, after advertising the same during thirty days in one of the newspapers published in Alexandria, by sealed proposals to be presented to the president of this Jury up to the next meeting of this Jury. The President reserving the right to reject any or all bids. Said lessee to furnish bond with good and satisfactory security in favor of said president, for the sum of One Thousand dollars, conditioned that he shall put and keep said road in good order and repair during his lease, and shall return and turn over said road to said President, in same good order and repair at the end of his lease. All bids to be accompanied by the name of the security. That said lessee be and is hereby authorized to charge and receive the following tolls. A copy of which he shall post up in a conspicuous place for inspection of travellers, namely:

For any vehicle drawn by one draught animal..... \$0 15 For any vehicle drawn by two draught animals..... 20 Wagon or cart drawn by four animals..... 25 Wagon or cart drawn by more than four animals..... 30 Cattle, Horses and Mules per head..... 05 Sheep, Goats and Hogs..... 01

Said lessee not to begin to charge toll before he will first have put said road in good order.

That the hands living along said road and liable to road duty, be and are hereby transferred to Road District No 1.

On motion, the Jury adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

ALEXANDRIA, June 5th 1872. The Jury met according to adjournment. Members present same as yesterday. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, That the following syndies are hereby appointed on various road districts, set opposite their names.

On motion of M. Paul that the syndies of the roads where there are hedges which obstruct said road or roads, shall notify the owner of said hedge to trim and clear the same from the road or ditches, on their failing to do the same, it shall be the duty of the syndie to have it cut and trimmed at the expense of the owner—to be collected before any court of competent jurisdiction.

Alexandria Ward—from Alexandria to lower line of Dr. Maddox's on Bayou Rapides thence down Bayou Robert to the upper line of J. W. Prescott's—District No 1—D. W. Hyinson, Syndie.

From J. W. Prescott's upper line, to mouth of J. R. Williams' lane—C. H. Flowers, Syndie.

No 3, from Alexandria to bayou Cut Off, T. J. Stafford, Syndie.

Rapides Ward—from Dr. Maddox's lane to G. M. Graham's lower line, District No 1, J. W. Pollitt.

From G. M. Graham's lower line to Lamoth's bridge, District No 2, L. B. Haworth.

From Lamoth's bridge to Gravelly Hill, District No 3, Govan Williams.

From the upper line of Long's estate to Texada's bridge, District No 4, Jno. Tyler.

From J. W. Texada's upper line down to upper line of Bonner's estate District No 5, L. Sanford, Jr.

From upper line of Bonner's estate, to the mouth of Canal at G. W. Compton's, District No 6, Newton Butler.

From the mouth of the canal at G. W. Compton's, to the bridge at the end of race track lane, District No 7, Chas. Zimmerman, Syndie.

Levee Syndies—From Hyinson's on Bayou Rapides to Choctaw Bayou inclusive, District No 1, T. J. Stafford.

From thence to Beaver Dam Bayou, District No 2, D. Smith.

From thence to Parish line, District No 3, Geo. Wilson.

From the mouth of the Canal at G. W. Compton's, to the bridge at the end of the race track lane, District No 7, Chas. Zimmerman.

Lamourie Ward—From the mouth of Williams lane to the lower line of Chambers' place, District No 1, John Davis, Syndie.

From Chambers' lower line to Thompson's upper line, District No 2, A. Martin.

From Lamourie bridge to Mrs. Dupre's District No 3, W. E. Smith.

From Cut Off to mouth of Choctaw Bayou, District No 4, Chas. Banks.

From Choctaw Bayou to Beaver Bayou, District No 5, J. L. Cornella.

From Beaver Bayou to Parish line, District No 5, C. C. Wainright.

From Lamourie bridge on south side of the bayou to Charles Afferman's, District No 7, Chas. Afferman.

From Red River to Mrs. Dupre's on the Latania road, District No 8, J. C. Irving.

From Folk's bridge to Cockfairs' place, District No 9, Wm. H. Wale, Jr.

On motion of G. Baillio, Resolved, That the road hands on the plantation formerly owned by M. Welch, known as the Orsborn plantation, be placed on the road leading from said plantation to Mrs. Dupre's on Bayou Lamourie, District No 8 J. C. Irving, Syndie.

Cheneyville Ward—From Loyd's bridge to Cheneyville (Cheneyville side of the Bayou) District No 1, George Stafford.

From Cheneyville to Parish line, District No 2, C. J. Barstow, Syndie.

From Loyd's bridge to Cheneyville, opposite side of the bayou, District No 3, Branch Tanner, Syndie.

From Cheneyville bridge to Parish line, District No 4, Dave Tanner.

From Echo Landing to Bayou Boeuf, District No 5, F. W. Bass.

On motion the Jury adjourned to meet at half-past two o'clock.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., June 5th, 1872. The Jury met according to adjournment, the roll being called, all members present, Mr. Barrett was called to the chair.

On motion of J. Clements, Whereas, Many citizens of the Spring Hill ward have petitioned for a new road leading from Joe Millers to Davis' crossing.

Resolved, That Joe Miller, N. F. McNeill, Isaiah Gordon and Joe Smith, be appointed commissioners to lay off and mark out said road, and report at our next meeting and assess any damages if any may be sustained.

Spring Hill Ward—From Carroll's bridge to Texas road, District No 1, — Carr.

From Texas road to Butler's Mill, District No 2, Tom Randolph.

From intersection with road District No 2, to Spring Creek bridge, near Babbs', District No 3, Dan Willis, Jr.

From Spring Creek bridge, to Davis' bridge on Calcasieu River, District No 4, Wm. Graham.

From Spring Creek to Joe Willis' crossing on Calcasieu, District No 5, J. Weingart.

From Spring bridge to Carroll's crossing on Cocodra, District No. 6, W. O. Britt.

From Rocky Branch to 16 mile post near Bushnell's, District No. 7, James Gordon.

From 14 mile post to Beaver Creek, District No. 8, James Bady.

From Beaver's Creek to Loyd's bridge, District No. 9, Henry Brown.

From Dar's to parish line, District No. 10, W. A. Lard.

From Thompson's to Loyd's bridge, District No. 11, P. B. Compton.

From Cockfairs' to Joe Miller's District No. 12, Nathan Orr.

Hineston Ward—From Gravelly Hill to Spring Creek, District No. 1, Joseph Mertes.

From Spring Creek to Strother's bridge, District No. 2, John Sanderson.

From Hineston to head of Spring Creek, District No. 3, John Powell.

From head of Spring Creek—where Hineston intersects Burr's Ferry road, District No. 4, Smith Crowder.

From Hineston bridge to parish line on upper Burr's Ferry road, District No. 5, W. D. Rush.

From intersection of Burr's Ferry and Nealsborough road to parish line, District No. 6, James Ghas.

From Hineston bridge to parish line on Sugar Town Road, District No. 7, C. Manel.

From Strother's to parish line by way of John Dial's place, District No. 8, Roland Rutherford, Jr.

From Strother's bridge to Sugartown road, District No. 9, Carroll Johnson.

From Paul's store to intersection of Hineston road, at head of Spring Creek, District No. 10, F. M. Bennett.

From Rocky branch to Mrs. McIntoch's Lane, District No. 11, Jos Barage.

From McIntoch's lane to Archie Smith's intersecting Burr's Ferry road, District No. 12, Jesse Rice.

From Meider's store to Strother's bridge intersecting Sugartown road, District No. 13, Jack Stephens.

Cottle Ward—J. W. Texada's upper line to the mouth of Bayou Cottle, District No. 1, G. W. Yarbrough.

From the mouth of Bayou Cottle to Boyce's lane, District No. 2, Sam Dowty.

From James' store to White Hill, District No. 3, — Odan.

From White Hills to parish line, District No 4, A. Holloway.

From Texada's bridge to Barney's branch, District No 5, Jno Dawson.

From Byers' branch to parish line, District No 6, Ed Saratt.

From James' store to parish line, on Monett's Ferry road, District No 7, — Culbert.

From Welman's to White Hills, District No 8, Sam Hoyt.

Red River Ward—From Boyce's lower line on Red river to G. W.

Compton's on Bayou Rapides, Chas Johnson and R. C. Crutskank.

Pineville Ward—From Gueringer's store to the ditch at David's wood yard, District No 1, Aug Jarreau, Syndie.

From Ferry landing to Curtis Lewis' spring, District No 2, J. L. Walker.

From Lewis' spring to the parish line, District No 3, F. M. Warner.

From forks of road at Pineville, leading to Donahoe's ferry as far as Hugh Cummings' house, District No 4, Geo. Waters.

From Mr. Cummings' house to the parish line, District No 5, Joel Bogus.

From forks of the Holloway's prairie road at Pineville, to Muster Ground, District No 6, J. W. Barron.

From Muster Ground to Newell's church, District No 7, Anthony Belgard.

From 7 mile post to Comstock's, District No 8, Perry Lofton.

From Comstock's to parish line, District No 9, A. Crooks.

From 7 mile post to Boboef's road, District No 10, — Brown.

From the National Cemetery at Pineville, to Brusby Fork, District No 11, Sip Compton.

From Brusby Fork to Nalley's, District No 12, J. H. Ryland.

From Nalley's to parish line, District No 13, Wm. Nalley.

From forks of the road at Pineville to Seminary, District No 14, B. Recardo.

From Seminary to parish line by Claiborne road, District No 15, R. Williams.

From the forks of the Claiborne road to the parish line leading on the direction of Hudson Creek bridge, District No 16, Joseph Boyce.

From Thos. Hill's to Rigolett bridge, District No 17, S. Wett.

From Rigolett bridge to the river, District No 18, — Everett.

From the Junction of the swamp road at the river to Murphy's Wood Yard, at the mouth of the Darrow, District No 19, — Jeffreys.

From Murphy's Wood Yard to parish line, in direction of the Hadnot settlement, District No 20, Jack Thornton.

On motion the Jury adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M.

JUNE 6TH. The Jury met pursuant to adjournment, with same members present. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion of M. Paul, Resolved, That the Parish Tax Collector be required to furnish a list of the Parish delinquents to the Recorder at the same time he furnishes a list of the State delinquents to the same officer.

On motion it was resolved that J. Clements, President, be authorized and empowered to contract for cleaning and repairing the old cistern of the Court House, and present his bill at our next meeting.

On motion it was resolved that the District Attorney pro tem is hereby authorized and instructed to proceed immediately against E. R. Bissat, late Treasurer, as ordered by an ordinance passed January session of this Jury.

On motion of M. Paul, Resolved, That James Moore be appointed Parish Ranger by his giving bond in the sum of two hundred dollars.

On motion of M. Paul, Resolved, That W. L. Wale be appointed disbursing agent for Amanda Story pauper, instead of Zeno Byrd, and that as soon as the amount appropriated at a former meeting of this Jury is expended, her name be stricken from the pauper list of this Parish.

On motion of E. J. Barret, Resolved, That the amount allowed to paupers in the Parish shall not exceed five dollars per month from and after this date. 2. All laws of this Jury conflicting with Section 1st of this resolution are hereby repealed.

Whereas, in the opinion of this Jury that it is essentially necessary in the assessment of the property of this Parish, and in conformity to law, that a map be procured, such as the one now exhibited in the Clerks office of this Parish—

Resolved, That the sum of \$700 be and is hereby appropriated in addition to the \$500 already appropriated to procure the said map, and that Mr. Bringham furnish seven lithographic copies of said map to this Parish for the use of public offices; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of this Jury be and is hereby authorized to give Mr. Bringham a Certificate of indebtedness for the full amount of the appropriation as soon as said maps are delivered to the President of this Jury.

On motion of E. J. Barrett, Resolved, That the Parish Tax Collector be and he is hereby instructed to furnish to the Parish Attorney on the 1st day of July the names of all persons doing business in this Parish in any of the trades, professions or occupations who have not at that time paid their Parish license; and be it further

Resolved, That the Parish Attorney be and he is instructed to proceed at that time in accordance with Section 2d of the Revenue Act of 1872, to enforce all such persons from carrying on said trade, profession or occupation, and to take such other proceedings against them as may be required by law.

On motion it was resolved, that the Report of the Finance Committee be received and adopted and the President of this Jury be authorized to issue certificates of indebtedness for the same.

APPROVED ACCOUNTS. C. V. Lehoux, Index and Indexing \$200 00