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TENSAS PARISH DIRECTORY.

Sheriff—John Hughes.
Clerk of Court—Joseph Curry.
Assessor—A. Bondurant.
Treasurer—W. M. Davidson.
Parish Surveyor—John Johnson.
Game Warden—Charles Johnston.
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Health Officer—Dr. L. A. Murdock.
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Second Ward—John D. Fultz, Newellton.
Third Ward—F. H. Curry, St. Joseph.
Fourth Ward—Robert B. Lynch, New Light.
Fifth Ward—B. F. McVay, Ashwood.
Sixth Ward—Louis T. Hunter, Waterproof.
Seventh Ward—Wm. A. Register, Clayton P. O.
Clerk—R. H. Whitney, St. Joseph.
The Police Jury for Tensas parish meets first Monday in March, June, July, October and December, at St. Joseph, at 12 o'clock m.

School Board.
First Ward—M. W. Bland, Point Pleasant.
Second Ward—Robert Y. Newell, Newellton.
Third Ward—W. J. Steen, St. Joseph.
Fourth Ward—P. C. Smith, Delta Bridge.
Fifth Ward—J. C. Ellis.
Sixth Ward—W. D. A. Gorton, Waterproof.
Seventh Ward—D. F. Miller, Goldman P. O.
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First Ward—Magistrate, M. W. Bland, Point Pleasant; constable, Louis Buckner, Newellton.
Second Ward—Magistrate, L. K. Fultz, Newellton.
Third Ward—Magistrate, E. P. Newell, St. Joseph; constable, John R. Smith, St. Joseph.
Fourth Ward—Magistrate, B. Y. Berry, Delta Bridge; constable, D. H. O'Kelley, Ashwood.
Fifth Ward—Magistrate, D. H. O'Kelley, Ashwood; constable, J. H. Seaman, Waterproof.
Sixth Ward—Magistrate, John D. Shelton, Waterproof.
Seventh Ward—Magistrate, E. D. Coleman; constable, John Murdock, Newellton.

Members Parish Democratic Executive Committee.
First Ward—R. W. Newell, Newellton; F. L. Guthrie, Notnac P. O.
Second Ward—Louis Buckner, Newellton; R. Y. Newell, Newellton.
Third Ward—A. E. Green, St. Joseph; Louis Buckner Jr., St. Joseph.
Fourth Ward—R. B. Lynch, New Light; P. C. Smith, Delta Bridge.
Fifth Ward—D. H. O'Kelley, Ashwood; B. F. McVay, Ashwood.
Sixth Ward—G. C. Goldman, Goldman P. O.; Allan Shelton, Waterproof.
Seventh Ward—D. F. Miller, Goldman; E. D. Coleman, Highland.
At Large—Joseph Curry, St. Joseph; W. M. Davidson, St. Joseph; John Hughes, St. Joseph; Dr. K. B. McMillan, Point Pleasant; John Murdock, Newellton.

District Court.
District Judge—John Dale, Vidalia.
District Attorney—Abner E. Green, St. Joseph.
Terms of Court—The terms of the District Court in the parish of Tensas are hereby fixed as follows, to-wit:
Jury Terms—Third Mondays in April and October.
Civil Terms—Third Mondays in January, February, March, May, June, July, November and December.

Town of St. Joseph.
Mayor—W. M. Davidson.
Clerk—Abner E. Green.
Town Treasurer—R. H. Whitney.
Aldermen—Joseph Curry, B. F. Young, Louis Buckner Jr., Oscar Levy, E. J. Walton.
Board meets first Tuesday in each month at office of the mayor.

Religious Notices.

Rev. W. S. Henry, pastor M. E. church, holds services at Wesley chapel on morning and afternoon of first Sunday, and at the Union church, St. Joseph, on the night of the first Sunday and morning and night of the third Sunday.
Rev. Father Degnan of Vidalia says mass at the Catholic chapel, St. Joseph, once a month, following announcement.

Synopsis of Game Laws—Open Season.

1. Doves—From September 1 to March 1.
2. Wood or Summer Ducks—September 1 to March 1.
3. Teal Ducks—September 15 to April 1.
4. River Ducks—October 1 to March 15.
5. Coots or Poule D'eau—October 1 to March 15.
6. Geese or Brant—October 1 to March 15.
7. Snipe—September 15 to April 1.
8. Turkey (cocks only)—November 1 to April 15.
9. Quail—November 15 to March 15.
10. Robins—November 15 to March 15.
11. Deer (bucks only)—October 1 to January 1.

Limit of Bags in a Day:
 25 ducks.
 15 of all other game birds.
 2 bucks, and not more than five in a season.

F. & A. M.
Masonic lodge meets at Newellton first Wednesday.
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MELISSA WOULD RATHER EMPLOY HER OWN FACULTIES.

Mrs. Merriwid paused in front of the mirror that panelled a section of the wall space from floor to ceiling—a satisfactory mirror in a good light. She was attired in a crimson morning gown and her hair was still in its braid.

"Quite gay and girlish!" she murmured.

"Who is?" demanded her maternal maiden aunt Jane.

"You are, dearie," replied Mrs. Merriwid, turning herself half around to get the effect of the back.

"You know perfectly well you weren't thinking of me," said Aunt Jane, severely. "You were thinking of yourself."

"Do you know how my thoughts could be better employed?" demanded Mrs. Merriwid, with a brilliant smile. "Of course I might have been thinking of Mr. Elghmee," she continued.

"You will have to be giving him a little consideration pretty soon," replied Aunt Jane.

"He's a most remarkable man," said Mrs. Merriwid, reflectively. "Not an ordinary man, by any means."

"He impresses one," assented Aunt Jane.

"Like a boot heel on a pet corn," said her niece. "But I've learned more about him during the short period that he has been calling than I would about most men in a lifetime. I even know that he wears medicated flannel next to his skin, winter and summer."

"Melissa!" exclaimed Aunt Jane, in horror-stricken tones.

"I couldn't help it, dearie," protested Mrs. Merriwid. "I didn't ask him for the information. He thought it would interest me so he naturally and simply told me."

"I don't see how he could possibly consider it a matter of interest—to



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say nothing of the impropriety," said Aunt Jane.

"It's a matter intimately concerning him, isn't it?" said Mrs. Merriwid. "Very well, then. It ought to interest anybody. I'm surprised! I suppose when I tell you that he has had two of his back teeth filled, you will fail to realize the significance and importance of it. Keeping one's teeth in proper condition is necessary for the proper mastication and subsequent assimilation of food. If there is any derangement of Mr. Elghmee's digestive apparatus, it affects his energy and his mental faculties and the world is a loser by just so much."

"I should imagine that something had affected his mental faculties," said Aunt Jane, rubbing her nose.

"Say not so, dearie," begged Mrs. Merriwid. "Mr. Elghmee is particularly sane. He prides himself above all things on his sanity. He is a modest man, but that is one thing he insists on. The trouble with most people is that they allow their views to become distorted by prejudices of one sort or another. Mr. Elghmee has no prejudices. Convictions he has, firm and unalterable convictions, but no prejudices."

"That's very nice, I'm sure," remarked Aunt Jane.

"Isn't it?" said Mrs. Merriwid. "To continue this interesting subject, Mr. Elghmee rises punctually at half-past six o'clock in the winter and at five

o'clock in the summer. He believes in regularity—in system. He takes a cold bath. He hasn't missed taking his cold bath once in ten years. He finds it stimulating and he attributes his immunity from colds and his general good condition to this and the few simple gymnastic exercises that he takes after the bath. Then he takes a light breakfast and arrives at his office clear-headed and fit and able to cope successfully with any of the difficult problems that invariably arise. He is not capricious in his tastes. He likes his roast beef rare and prefers a good full-cream American cheese to the decayed and germ-infested importations from abroad. He's a plain man and makes no pretensions."

"Mercy!" exclaimed Aunt Jane.

"He has several relatives but he doesn't like them and makes no bones of saying so," Mrs. Merriwid proceeded, disregarding the interruption.

"He doesn't see why the accident of relationship should give one person any special claim on another. A man is what he is. He ought to be able to stand on his own merits. Mr. Elghmee stands on his own merit and he's got a fairly firm footing, if you ask him. His favorite color is red—something about the shade of this dress. I think. He used to be subject to rheumatism. He likes the country once in a while as a change from town, but he wouldn't care to live there. He has the social instincts and likes to feel himself a force among his fellow men. What he wants and what he intends is to go into politics and rattle up some of these dry bones that have been fattening on the life blood of the nation. He isn't opposed to trusts, but he would control them in such a manner that would prevent the accumulation of colossal wealth to the individual. That is his idea."

"Is there any more?" inquired Aunt Jane.

"Lots, honey," Mrs. Merriwid answered. "He is a little quick-tempered, but not a man to sulk or bear a grudge. He is rather inclined to be reckless about spending money and a little foolish about lending it to people who never pay him back; still, he makes a point of living well within his income. He uses Brissels shaving soap and thinks Vesta Tilly a really remarkable actress. Finally, and most important of all, he likes brunettes—not the blue-black raven's wing variety, but the softer and less decided type to which I belong."

"I infer that you have arrived at a decision in his case," said Aunt Jane.

"The surest thing you know, sweetheart," said Mrs. Merriwid, returning to the mirror and smiling at her own reflection. "You know I'm quite a little interested in myself, and admitting that Mr. Elghmee is interested in me, too, he is so much more interested in Mr. Elghmee. Another thing, no woman wants a lot of accurate and reliable knowledge about her intended that she hasn't found out by her little lonesome."

"But they always tell about them selves, I've understood," said Aunt Jane.

"I know," admitted Mrs. Merriwid. "but I believe that most of this stuff he's told me is quite true, and that makes a difference."

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Looking Ahead.
 Little Nora (aged eight, to Edith, aged ten)—What! A big girl like you playing with a Teddy bear?
 Edith—Yes, haven't you got one?
 Nora—Mine is locked up in the cupboard, where it shall stop until I am married, when I may bring it out for my children to play with.
 Edith—What if you don't have any children?
 Nora—Well, then, in that case it will do for my grandchildren.

Enemy of Rhetoric.
 Another thing that depresses us slightly is to refer in our classical way to Jove's bolts and then have the tinny type machine make us speak of "Jove's Jones"—Ohio State Journal.

Epitaph.
 A peculiarly appropriate inscription on the tomb of a captain in the cemetery of Montparnasse reads: "Carry arms! Present arms! In place! Rest!"

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