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April 1st 1882.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

All advertisements and communications intended for the Meridional, must be handed in by 12 o'clock M. on Thursday to ensure publication. This is an important business rule, which should not be overlooked or neglected.

Announcements.

For District Judge.

ROBERT P. O'BRYAN as a candidate for Judge of the 25th Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Lafayette and Vermilion, at the election in April.

For District Attorney.

We are authorized to announce that ROBERT CADE EMBLES of Vermilion Parish is a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the 25th Judicial District composed of Lafayette and Vermilion Parishes.

For Clerk District Court.

MR. EDITOR.—Please announce, in your paper, that I am a Candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder, for this parish, at the general election to be held in April 1884.

LASTIE BROUSSARD.

For Sheriff.

MR. EDITOR.—Please announce that I am a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder, for the Parish of Vermilion, at the general election to be held in April 1884.

F. O. LEBLANC.

For Sheriff.

We are authorized to announce that SEVERIN BROUSSARD is a candidate for the office of Sheriff for the parish of Vermilion, at the general election to be held in April 1884.

We are authorized to announce that MARCUS L. MORTON is a candidate for the office of Sheriff for the parish of Vermilion, at the election to be held in April 1884.

We are authorized to announce that JOSEPH S. NUNEZ is a candidate for the office of Sheriff for the parish of Vermilion, at the election to be held in April 1884.

Democratic Ticket.

For Governor:

S. D. McENERY, of Ouachita.

For Lieutenant-Governor:

C. KLOBLOCH, of Lafourche.

For Treasurer:

E. A. BURKE, of Orleans.

For Auditor:

O. B. STEELE, of Tensas.

For Attorney General:

M. J. CUNNINGHAM, of Natchitoches.

For Secretary of State:

O. ARROYO of Plaquemines.

For Sup't of Public Education:

WARREN EASTON, of Orleans.

Tenth Senatorial District.

FOR STATE SENATORS:

MURPHY J. FOSTER,

Of St. Mary.

CHARLES P. HAMPTON,

Of Calcasieu.

For Representative:

GEO. M. ELDREDGE.

Fine weather.

Read the Town Council.

Politics are boiling high.

Beef meat is selling high.

District Court is in session.

Fresh fish in town this week.

What's all the ducks? but few to be seen in town, these days.

Pere Hyacinthe Loyson the noted apostate priest is lecturing in New Orleans this week.

Rev. Alfred E. Clay the minister recently sent to the Methodist Congregation at this place, has arrived and will preach to-morrow.

Last week was remarkably cold and unpleasant, Friday the thermometer stood at 30° all day, making as low as 25° in the morning.

On Thursday morning the case of State vs G. B. Shaw was called and owing to the absence of R. S. Perry leading counsel for the defense, continued this morning.

Two prominent murder trials are now in progress in this State, the Jenkins Brothers at Manisfield for the murder of Parson J. Lane Borden and in New Orleans, Troisville E. Sykes for the killing of Kate Townsend.

Never in our editorial existence have we seen so many travelling clerks alias bums, in our parish. Not that their presence is any way disagreeable, the very reverse. We wish them all success.

Sewing machine agents are many through our parish, now is the time to have your own, sewing at home and cheap too. Get a sewing machine, don't delay; they do not cost much and before the end of the year, rest assured, that you will have saved enough of out-sewing, to pay for a sewing machine.

District Court met last Monday. The Judge and District Attorney, were in time, even before hand, arriving on Sunday P. M., early. The Grand Jury was duly organized and enlightened as to its duties, by a short but lucid and cogent charge by the Court, several cases of some importance were fixed for this week, and the docket now slim bids fair to dwindle to nought.

On Monday evening Abbeville was favored with a lecture on Education by Col. Wm. Mouton. The audience was slim but select. The subject was treated in masterly manner, and never have we heard the advantages and necessity of Education, set forth in more forcible and eloquent language. A lecture, such as he gave us on Monday, will win laurels anywhere and satisfy the most fastidious.

A QUERY ANSWERED.—Judge John Clegg, of the 25th Judicial District, recently convened his Court in extra session for the purpose of disposing of a certain criminal suit. This done, and no objection being made, the Judge ordered an adjournment sine die. Nothing startling in this. But the guilty conscience of certain henchmen of Judge Fontelien's, the district officer who presides over the 21st Judicial District Court, desire to know why there is no growling or barking at the action of Judge Clegg; and, answering the question, intimate that it is because he is a Democratic Judge. Not a bit of it. His action elicited no cause for complaint, and the young jurist, by his strict fidelity to the performance of duty, his able and wise administration of the laws and the dignified proceedings of his court, has won the respect and esteem of the people and the press as well, which delights in bestowing just and deserved praise upon him—not because he is a Democratic Judge, but because he is a Judge in the full acceptance of the word. This is more than the 21st Judicial District can boast of.—More anon.

The majority of the good people of Vermilion parish fully endorse the statement contained in the above, which is copied from Iberia Sugar Bowl, in regard to Judge Clegg's "just and deserved praise" and that "not because he is a Democrat" but because he is able, impartial, honest and has, really, at heart the best interest of the community and because he has shown a fearless disposition to put down lawlessness, in any shape, wherever found.

Read the Police Jury proceedings in another column.

What has become of the Brass Band.

POLICE JURY.

Monday, Jan. 21, 1883.

State of Louisiana.

Parish of Vermilion.

The Police Jury met this day in regular session, at the court house in Abbeville.

Present:—Howard Hoffpauir, President and members, Vanslyke, Primeaux and Broussard. There were absent Messrs. Trahan, Nunez and Thibaux.

Eli Wise was appointed clerk pro tem.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The report of Finance Committee being read, on motion same was adopted and ordered spread on the minutes.

Report of Finance Committee, To the Hon. President and members of the Police Jury of the Parish of Vermilion.

Gents.—The Finance Committee beg leave to submit to you their report. That they have examined the stub book of the tax-collector and find that the following collections have been made to wit:

From Dec 1st 1882 to Dec 31, 1883 inclusive.

On roll of 1883	\$ 5515 13
" " 1882	350 61
" " 1881	24 71
" " 1880	11 75
amt licenses coll for '83	440 00

Grand Total\$6342 20

Credited by the following receipts produced by collector.

Receipt dated Jan 5th '83 roll '83 school tax	\$ 250 69
Jan 5-'83 roll '83	5264 44
" " " '82 school tax 25 97	
" " " '81 school tax 1 63	324 62
" " " '80 school tax 22 88	
" " " '79 school tax 2 35	
" " " '78 school tax 9 40	
license for 1883	440 00

Grand Total\$6342 20

Less com per receipt 317 08

Net amount paid Parish Treasurer \$ 6025 12

Signed { SOLOMON WISE,

GUS. GODCHAUX,

ALONZO VANSLYKE,

The Treasurer submitted his report showing a balance on hand of \$8548.06.

On motion the clerk of Police Jury was authorized to notify Messrs. Pauley Bro., the jail builders, of St. Louis, Mo., that their money was on hand and ready for payment.

On motion it was resolved that a communication be forwarded to the Police Jury of Lafayette parish, enquiring if they be satisfied to furnish one (1) half the expense of bridging couley DeNoix, the dividing line between the two parishes on the west side of bayou Vermilion, on the public road leading from Abbeville to Vermilionville. If so, at what time would they be ready to commence work as Vermilion is ready at once.

On motion of A Vanslyke he it resolved that whereas—Mr Theophilin Landry having had his cotton gin destroyed by fire during the year 1882, and has been assessed on tax roll of 1883 for same property so destroyed.

Be it resolved:—that the tax collector be, and is hereby authorized, to issue to said Landry his parish tax receipts \$10.50. Thereby reducing the original tax of 19.50 extended on the roll against him to said amount.

The following claims were allowed to be paid out of their respective funds, viz:

On Criminal Fund.

Ed Vanslyke	\$ 4 00
H B Lyons	60
W W Kuchling	28 25
On Court and Magistrate Fund.	
A L Leblanc tras to S Wise	3 70
H B Lyons	17 00
On Road and Bridge Fund.	
A Vanslyke	14 00
Solomon Wise 3 claims	11 33
On Printers and Stat. Fund	
L Broussard 3 claims	40 05

On motion resolved:—that in the absence of the clerk, that the President and Clerk pro tem be authorized to proceed to sign warrants as usual. The Jury adjourned to Monday Jan 28th 1884.

HOWARD HOFFPAUIR, Pres.

ELI WISE, Clerk Pro Tem.

Town Council.

ABBEVILLE, Jan. 14th 1884.

The Council having failed to meet on its regular day of meeting the Mayor stated that he had called this meeting of the council to transact any and all business that may come up before it for transaction.

All the members of the council were present except Jos J. Abadie.

On motion of Lastie Broussard the minutes of the previous meeting of the council were adopted.

The quarterly reports of the Collector and Treasurer were read, approved and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

To the Hon. Mayor and Members of the Town Council, I, the undersigned respectfully submit this as my report for the quarter ending Jan. Fifth 1884.

To cash on hand on taxes of '83 at last report \$ 178 00

To cash on hand on licenses of '83 at last report 140 00

To cash on hand on fines of '83 at last report 13 50

To amt of taxes uncollected at last report 590 09

To amt coll on same 349 10

amt remaining uncoll 240 96

amt of licenses uncollected at last report 80 00

amt coll on same 45 00

amt of licenses remaining uncollected 35 00

amt of fines collected 45 00

Corporation's half 22 50

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amt of fines collected 22 50

1024 06

to amt paid Treasurer on taxes of '83 as per receipt 527 10

to amt paid treasurer on licenses of '83 as per rept 185 00

to amt paid treasurer on fines as per receipt 18 50

to amt remaining uncollected on taxes of '83 240 96

to amt remaining uncoll on licenses of '83 35 00

to amt of fines collected and on hand since last report 22 50

1024 06

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. LYONS,

Con-Collector.

Correct approved Jan 14th 1883.

R. C. Smeides,

Jos. J. Abadie.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of W. B. White, Treasurer, for quarter ending Jan. 5th 1884.

Oct 5th 1883

to bal on hand, per report \$188.21

1884 Jan 5th amt rec'd since last report from coll on taxes of 1883 246.05

to amt rec'd since last report from coll on licenses '83 185.00

to amt rec'd since last report from coll on fines 13 50

632.76

Credit.

Jan 5th '84

amt paid since last report 353.50

balance on this fund \$ 279.26

Street and Bridge Fund

October 5th '83

bal as per report 12.01

Jan 5th '84

amt rec'd since last report from coll on taxes '83 175.69

187.70

Credit.

amt paid since last report 54.25

bal on this fund 133.45

Sinking Fund.

January 5th '84

Recapitulation

cash on general fund 279.26

" " street & bridge 133.45

" " sinking fund 234.29

Total cash in treasury \$ 647.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. WHITE,

Treasurer.

Correct, approve Jan 14th '84.

R. C. Smeides,

Jos. J. Abadie,

On motion of Mr Bourque the licenses of the town of Abbeville for the '84 were made and fixed at the same rate as for the year '83

On motion of Mr Broussard, resolved that the Mayor be authorized to purchase for and in the name of the town a tract of land from E. I. Addison lying between the line of Lastie Broussard and said Addison, for a street at the eastern edge of the town being a continuation of east street, for the price and sum of \$15; the same to be paid out of the General fund in the Treasury.

On motion of S Wise, resolved that the sum of One Hundred Dollars be given to the Abbeville Fire Co., No. 1 the same to be taken out of any surplus money on the General fund.

R. C. Smeides, W. B. WHITE,

Mayor. Secty

Work given out. On receipt of your address we will make an offer by which you can earn \$3 to \$7 evenings, at your home. Men, women, boys or girls can do it. H. C. Wilkinson & Co., 195 and 197 Fulton street, New York.

NOTICE.

Hunting and passing through my premises is strictly prohibited and trespassers are warned to keep out under penalty of law. February 2nd 1884.

HENRY J. MOSS

Notice.

All parties indebted to the firm of Tolson & Young are respectfully requested to come forward and pay the same with 10 days from date. Dec. 29th 1883

TOLSON & YOUNG.

NOTICE.

Hunters are strictly forbidden to hunt within our enclosures; and from passing through the same. Persons wishing to visit our plantations, must first call at our houses. Any one caught violating this notice will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

ALEX. BROUSSARD, ALCEDE BROUSSARD, CLEVVILLE BROUSSARD.

January 12th '84.

State of Louisiana—25th District Court—Parish of Vermilion—No. 884.

Succession of W. M. Hanchett. Application of Paul L. Terrier to be appointed administrator.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in the said succession, or having any opposition to make to the application of said applicant to file the same in writing, in the office of the Clerk of Court within ten days from the date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal of court this 26th day of Jan. 1884.

LASTIE BROUSSARD, clerk.

NOTICE.

LAND OFFICE at New Orleans, La. Jan. 16, 1884.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of Court, at Abbeville, La., on Feb. 23d 1884, viz: Desiré A. LeBlanc Homestead Entry No. 4811 for the SW. 1/4 quarter of NW. 1/4 quarter Section 17, T. 13, S. 4 East, Louisiana Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Valerien Landry, Darmis Shexnailder, Anguste Landry and Aimaire Hebert all of Vermilion Parish, La.

C. B. DARRALL, Register.

Jan 26-'84.(5t)

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LAND OFFICE at New Orleans, La. Dec. 29, 1883.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge or Clerk of Court, at Abbeville, La., on Feb. 16th 1884, viz: Eugene Suir, Homestead Entry No. 5068 for the NE. quarter of Section 2, T. 13, S. R. 4 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Valerien Nunez, P Dupre Leblanc, Patrick O Tool and Severin Primeaux of Vermilion Parish, La.

C. B. DARRALL, Register.

Jan. 12th '84

Police Jury.

Monday, December 3d 1883.

The Police Jury met this day at the Court House pursuant to adjournment.

Present:—Howard Hoffpauir, Esq., President and Messrs Trahan, Primeaux, Nunez and Broussard. Absent:—Messrs Vanslyke and Thibaux.

The minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

The Treasurer submitted his report showing a balance on hand of \$4,442.33.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Hon. the President and members of the Police Jury of the Parish of Vermilion.

GENTS:—The Finance Committee beg leave to submit to you their report. That they have examined the stub book of the Tax-Collector and find that the following collections have been made to-wit:

from July 1st 1883 to July 17th 1883 inclusive on roll of 1883 prin and interest \$ 47 38 less commission 2 36

balance \$ 45 02

The receipt of the Parish Treasurer for above amt is on file in clerk's office in suit of School Board vs G B Shaw et al.

Collections made by W W Kuchling from Sept 20-'83 to November 30th 1883 inclusive