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Abbeville, La., July 18, 1891.
ARSENE MARCEAUX.

Venire.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
Parish of Vermilion.

List of persons drawn to serve as Grand and Petit Jurors at the next Jury term of the District Court to be held in this parish on Monday the 7th day of September, A. D. 1891.

GRAND AND PETIT JURORS FOR THE FIRST WEEK.

Name.	Ward.
Clédomir Delahoussaye	1
Lovinsti Mancaux	5
Arthur Trahan	3
Jesse Trahan	2
Galloway Campbell	7
A. J. Porter	4
Simeon Broussard	7
Andrew Gibson	7
H. B. Lyons	3
C. T. Guidry, Jr.	3
Numa Trahan	3
Preston Spell	5
Preston Morgan	5
J. C. Broussard	3
Jesse R. White	3
Demosthene Nunez	3
Lufroy Mayard, Jr.	7
Wm. Hoolley	3
J. B. Milla	7
Thomas Moore	3
P. U. Leblanc	1
Eloi Harrington	2
Frank Moss	2
Eraste Leblanc	3
H. T. Lee	7
Jacob Isaacs	3
Désiré Trahan	3
Andrew Moss	2
J. A. Lemaire	2
Cesaire Meyers	2
Geo. H. Huff	2
D. C. Rose	3
Alcide Labauve	1
Eli Sarver	5
A. W. Richardson	3
Jas. H. Smith	7
Aurelien Lemaire	6
J. Henry Putnam	3
A. J. Lepretre	6
C. C. Blanchard	6
F. F. Ferry	3
J. A. Broussard	3
Onézime Meaux	3
Lucius Duteil	3
Adam Stelly	3
Ed. Buford	6
H. A. Petry	7
Columbus Trahan	3
Rees Rice	7
Arthur Butaud	2

PETIT JURY FOR THE SECOND WEEK.

Eli Montagne, Jr.	3
Sylvanie Gauthreaux	6
Geo. Ramke	2
M. J. Fleming	2
J. B. Faulk	6
Eli Wise	3
J. G. Faulk	6
W. W. Kuehling	2
Adam Boudreaux	7
Arthur Nunez	5
Jos. Hoffpauir	6
Jos. A. White	7
Peter Weber	7
Frank Foster	2
Jos. T. Toups	7
Wm. J. Morgan	2
Jos. W. Dooley	3
Jas. Eaton	6
E. A. Mazerolle	3
David Faulk	3
Wm. I. Swain	3
Ignace Mouton	6
Thos. P. Spell	5
W. D. Lyons	6
Alexandre Decuir	7
C. M. Dupuy	3
L. Conrad	7
Joachim Leblanc	6
B. L. O'Bryan	3
Homér Mouton	7

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SOLOMON WISE,
Abbeville La., June 6, 1891.

A Wife's Horrible Crime.

A startling story comes from one of the lumber camps at Kettle Creek Pa., the truth of which interested parties have started out to investigate. In April, 1889, the people of all this region were horrified by the news that Frank Hancock a lumberman, living at Blue Run, near the Roga and Potter county line, had murdered four of his children and committed suicide by hanging himself in his house. The news was made known by Hancock's wife who had been absent from home on the night of the tragedy.

Her story was that she had gone home and had found the four children lying dead, some in the house and some in the yard. They were stabbed and frightfully mutilated with a big butcher knife. The oldest child was eleven years old. A fifth child, a babe, was asleep and uninjured in a pool of blood at the side of one of its murdered sisters. A note in the handwriting of her husband, apparently, was found which confessed the terrible crime, giving as his reason his desire to rid his wife of himself and little ones because of her conduct.

A few days ago a messenger from the Kettle Creek camp went to Condersport, the county seat of Potter county, with the startling story that Mrs. Hancock had died in camp, and that before dying she had made a confession, which not only acquitted her husband of the murder of the children and himself, but which declares that she herself and two of her paramours, whom she named, but whose names are not made public, murdered her husband and children.

The confession was to the effect that she had become alarmed at the threats her husband had made against her because of her persistent unfaithfulness, and egged on by the two men, she resolved, with their aid, to put Hancock out of the way. The plan was to chloroform him while he was asleep, hang him to a rafter and place a note in his pocket, as if written by himself, stating that he had committed suicide and why. She had chloroformed her husband while he was asleep in bed and the two men, who were awaiting the signal, entered the house, provided with a rope and were hanging Hancock when the oldest child awoke, rose up in bed, and seeing the strange men, made an outcry. The mother herself seized a butcher knife and tried to frighten the child into silence, and failing she stabbed it to death.

The other children awakened by the noise, were all butchered as the first had been, to silence them. The babe, being too young to be dangerous to the murderers, was not harmed. A new note then had to be written to include the murder of the children as well as the suicide, and Mrs. Hancock, according to the alleged confession, wrote it, surrounded by the victims of the horrible night's work.

A case which will attract attention in medical circles is redressed from Lamar county; Ark. Mrs. Eliza Ryan a widow lady 30 years old, who has been totally blind for thirty years, had a tooth pulled from her upper jaw. The root of the tooth was nearly an inch in length. When it was extracted Mrs. Ryan complained of intense pain in her eyes and later cried out that she could see plainly her sight having been restored.

The best men and women in the world do not go around talking about their goodness. The fact is they hardly know they are good, for they are so humble and anxious to help others that they never hold up their own virtues and perfection to the gaze of others.

It has been found that the flood which is pouring into the Colorado desert comes from the Colorado river. The Southern Pacific Railroad Company wants to stop the flow to save its property but the people to Southern California will

We Need Cuba.

Ringed with manifest destiny throughout is the paper furnished by General Thomas Jordan to the Forum on this subject. The writer reminds us that since the foundation of our government there never has been an acquisition of territory to the United States that was not fraught with immediate commercial advantage. Among the last public utterances of that far sighted statesman to whom we owe the acquisition of Louisiana, Thomas Jefferson, was this: "The addition of the island of Cuba to our confederacy is exactly what is wanted, to round our power as a nation to the point of its utmost interest."

The United States already consumes much the largest part of all that Cuba produces for exportation, notably sugar. Moreover, excepting only Great Britain and France, this island, with a smaller area than the State of New York, furnishes more of our foreign imports than any other country. That, too, although scarcely 15 per cent. of the generous soil of Cuba has as yet been brought under cultivation. The gridding colonial policy of Spain has been to squeeze this rich island for revenues till there is little encouragement for the development of her magnificent resources. But once this glorious island was our own, with all the money it produces flowing to us instead of going to Europe, and with ten times as much added to it, the United States would be in very truth the richest nation of modern times.

General Jordan speaks of the great and varied mineral wealth awaiting the touch of industry here. He is satisfied that Cuba has a gold field. She has also copper, lead, iron, asphalt and petroleum. Of the geographical and political necessity that exists for making Cuba ours General Jordan writes:

"Cuba so nearly touches our shores and is so manifestly of our own geographical system that no American statesman may leave its immediate future out of his earnest, if not anxious, consideration. Any maritime power that should occupy it could readily make a mare clausum of the Gulf of Mexico, for Cape San Antonio, its western extremity, is separated from Cape Catoche, on the coast of Yucatan, by little more than 100 miles of sea-way, while Cape Hicacos is only 100 miles distant from Florida, the larger part of the distance being filled by the Bahama banks and islets. Thus, manifestly, this great island dominates not only the Gulf of Mexico, but all the approaches thereto. Moreover, it lies broadside to the track of our commerce by water with Mexico, and what is of still greater importance, to the trade of the chief part of our cotton producing States, not only with Europe but with the North Atlantic seaboard. Its capital city is only seven hours distant by steam from Key West, less than sixty hours from the mouth of the Mississippi river and but sixty six hours by rail and water, via Tampa, Fla., from the city of Washington.

The United States government, does not grant a license for the sale of whiskey in a town or State where its sale is prohibited by locals on State laws. The laws of the United States are superior to those of any State or town, and a license for the sale of whiskey from the United States would place a man beyond the jurisdiction of the State and local laws. Hence the United States government grants a special tax certificate on the payment of, the required amount and this only exempts dealers from interference by the government and leaves them liable to any and all of the State and town laws.

The Army of the People for 1891 is made up as follows: Two generals, two colonels, two lieutenant colonels, a major, two captains, and four lieutenants and sixty men. This number includes the famous Swiss Legion.